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GFWC/CT's Support of Scholarships

For over 80 years GFWC/CT has supported scholarships for Connecticut women. Ten to fourteen \$1,000 GFWC/CT scholarships are presented annually. The Memorial Scholarship committee reviews every application and rewards scholarships according to merit.

In 1926, the Waterbury Women's Club established the Phipps Scholarship to honor Mary William Phipps an 1892 member, for her kind judgment and leadership. Ms. Phipps was club president 1910-1912, 1920-1922, State President 1908-1912 and Secretary/Treasurer for New England Region.

The Dorothy E. Schoelzel Scholarship established in 1967, honors a clubwoman known for her warmth, care and concern for her fellowman, and her interest in education. Ms. Schoelzel was State President 1970-1972. In 1987, GFWC/CT established an endowment fund from memorial contributions. The income is used to assist deserving students attending accredited colleges in the field of education.

In 1997, the Waterbury Women's Club donated funds to the Phipps Scholarship Fund to create the Waterbury Women's Club Centennial Scholarship Fund. One scholarship is awarded annually for pursuing a degree in education of children with learning disabilities.

The Wesleyan Writers Conference Scholarship honors GFWC clubwoman Jeanne Krochalis, one of the conference founders and is awarded to a woman whose major interest is writing.

GFWC/CT clubs support scholarships via a financial donation directly to High School Scholarship Funds or to a deserving student. One GFWC/CT clubwoman established a scholarship for women over 35, who are returning to college after raising a family or just starting college. She matches up to \$500.00 raised through a Spring Garden Party. Others hold bake sales, pewter ornament sales, arts/crafts or fashion shows, quilt raffles, flower sales, tea parties, house tours, or running a Thrift Shop.

If you would like to donate to the GFWC/CT Scholarship Fund, log onto www.gfwcct.org and select Donate. Donations are tax deductible.

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