

JACK BROKAW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND



A component fund of the



Jack D. Brokaw

May 8, 1936 – August 17, 2005

BACKGROUND:

When Jack Brokaw graduated from the University of Iowa with a bachelor's degree in botany in 1958, and a master's degree in botany from the University of South Dakota in 1966, he was planning a career as a researcher, not as a teacher. "But once he got into the classroom," recalls his wife Lowanne, "he was happy. He really enjoyed teaching and being able to share his love of science with his students. They were all really special to him."

"Brokes," as he was affectionately known by his students, began teaching in Garden Grove, California, before moving to Menomonee Falls. He finished his teaching career at Wausau East High School, where he taught natural science courses – including biology, field biology, physical science, horticulture, and astronomy – for 25 years.

Jack loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing, gardening, outdoor photography, and garage sale shopping. His favorite place was his cabin on the lake in Spooner.

After a courageous battle with lung cancer, Jack passed away on August, 17, 2005. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Lowanne, who was also an educator, two sons – Mark and Joel; two daughters – Gretchen and Alicia; and three grandchildren – Zoe, Josie, and Darcy.

Jack always enjoyed sharing his passion for the natural sciences. Through the Jack Brokaw Memorial Scholarship Fund, he will continue to do so for generations to come.

PURPOSE OF THE FUND:

This scholarship fund was established to honor the memory of Jack Brokaw, a lifelong science educator, through the awarding of scholarships to graduating seniors from Wausau East High School.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCESS:

To apply for consideration of this scholarship, students must meet the requirements of the school's general scholarship application and submit a written application to the Scholarship Selection Committee at Wausau East High School. Students are advised to contact the guidance office for application deadline.

Candidates for this scholarship must meet the following requirements:

- Hardworking graduating senior from Wausau East High School
- Meeting the requirements of the school to apply for scholarships
- Planning to pursue a post-secondary education that utilizes the sciences

The Scholarship Selection Committees of Wausau East has been designated to serve as the selection committee for this scholarship. Input from the Science Department could be helpful. The Community Foundation will monitor the selection process.

PRESENTATION:

The Brokaw family will be invited to make the presentation at the Wausau East Senior Award Ceremony. If a representative from the family is not available to make the presentation, a representative of Wausau East's Science Department will be asked to make the presentation; if not available, a representative of the Community Foundation will make the presentation.

NOTIFICATION AND PAYMENT:

The Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin will confirm the selection of the committee with the recipient and will pay scholarship funds, directly to the college or university the student plans to attend, after the student has provided proof of registration to the Community Foundation office.

Questions or requests for further information can be directed to the Community Foundation office.



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