The Wausau Homes' story began with three entrepreneurial brothers Earl, Cliff, and Marv Schuette who began their business endeavor with a dairy route in rural Marathon County Wisconsin. The Schuette Brothers used profits from that modest milk route to purchase a sawmill, where raw timbers were processed into framing lumber. After the war, the brothers developed that sawmill into a one-stop building center, where contractors could purchase all of their materials for home construction from one source. With all the elements for home construction in place at their building center, the brothers devised a revolutionary concept in home building that is recognized as one of the best in the industry. This pioneering concept became Wausau Homes. It is this foundation of hard work, innovation and the entrepreneurial spirit lived by the founding Schuette brothers that remain the grounding principles of Wausau Homes.

Marv Schuette believed in the importance of education. He had a strong desire in seeing people succeed, whether they were Wausau Homes' builders, employees, vendors or someone he chanced to meet.

This scholarship fund was established in 2007 by his wife, Rudie, to perpetuate his legacy within the company and the community.

HISTORY

Fund Established:

MARVIN C. SCHUETTE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

PURPOSE

The Marvin C. Schuette Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to assist with the cost of post high school education of children of Wausau Homes' employees.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply online by visiting www.cfoncw.org. Click on “Grants & Scholarships” / “Scholarships” / “Apply Online Now” to reach the online application portal and begin the registration and application process. If this is your first visit to the site, you will need to “Create an Account.” If this is a return visit, enter your email address and password. Choose the appropriate application from the menu.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1

YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

• Transcript of most recent grades
• List of extracurricular activities (downloadable form online)
• Two reference letters

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The intent of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to a wide range of people including those who would not typically qualify for traditional scholarships. This scholarship’s selection criterion is specifically not to use academic achievement as a component other than the requirement that candidates have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater (on a 4.0 maximum scale) over the last two semesters of high school or accredited post high school education.

Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria in order of importance:

• Has not been awarded another scholarship for the upcoming school year. Receiving another scholarship for the upcoming school year does not disqualify a candidate from receiving this scholarship. Weight will just be given to those who did not receive other scholarships.
• A well-rounded person with diversified interests participating in activities inside and outside of school, including work.

The selection of those who will receive the scholarships will be done by an anonymous committee monitored by the Community Foundation and will be people unrelated to Wausau Homes or the Schuette family. The Community Foundation reserves the right to determine the number of scholarships to be awarded in a given year, the amount of scholarship funding and continuation of the program from year to year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The recipients will be announced through the communication methods of Wausau Homes, and at their high school senior awards ceremony in the spring if appropriate.

PAYMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient will receive a congratulatory letter from the Community Foundation after the awards ceremony, instructing them on how to receive their scholarship funding. The student must provide proof of registration to the Community Foundation office for payment to be initiated. The Foundation will make payment directly to the college or university the student is attending.