



## LEON & ALMA BURGER SCHOLARSHIP

### PURPOSE

To provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors in the greater Wausau area (at schools located within a 10-mile radius of Wausau City Hall) to continue their post-high school education. This scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply online by visiting our website at [cfoncw.org](http://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. Finalists in the review process may need to be available for an interview with the Selection Committee.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** February 15

### YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- Transcript of most recent grades
- List of extracurricular activities (downloadable form online)
- Two references

### CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

- Graduating high school senior from a public or private high school within a 10-mile radius of Wausau City Hall
- Planning to pursue an education at a trade school, technical school, college or university
- Pursuing an education in the fields of Education, Health, or Commerce

The following qualities will be taken into consideration in the selection process:

- Academics
- Financial Need
- Interest and ability to succeed in their chosen field

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The recipients will be announced at their high school senior awards ceremony in the spring.

### 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.

### CONTINUATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is renewable for undergraduate studies and is payable for up to four years. The recipient must remain in good academic standing with at least a 2.0 GPA. Proof of enrollment and a transcript of grades must be submitted annually through the Community Foundation's scholarship management portal for payment to be initiated.

Leon was a self-made man, who was admired for his business acumen. As a young man, his entrepreneurial spirit led him to form Burger Trucking Company. He was a real estate developer, owner, and investor, who never retired. He did it his way. During World War II, Leon served his country in the United States Army Engineers stationed in Burma, China, and India. He was a member of the American Legion Montgomery Plant Post #10, Veterans of Foreign Wars Burns Post #388, Knights of Columbus George Schreier Council #1069, and the Elks Lodge in Wausau.

Leon enjoyed big game hunting and spending time with his buddies in the office. He took pleasure in hosting annual parties that got bigger each year, and were attended by family, friends, and acquaintances. He passed away on March 25, 2011 at the age of 94.

Alma (Grosskreutz) passed away prior to Leon on February 19, 1997, at the age of 84. She was a homemaker and devoted supporter of Leon and his business ventures.

The Leon & Alma Burger Scholarship Fund was established within the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin in March of 2015 through their estate plans. Earnings from the fund are distributed annually in the form of scholarships to students from the greater Wausau area.

