

The George and Wilma Warren Ruritan Scholarship

George Warren has established The George and Wilma Warren Ruritan Scholarship. George Warren grew up in the McCune area before establishing himself as a well-known farmer and stockman here at Uniontown. He and his wife, Wilma, lived on their farm southwest of Uniontown,, where they raised two sons, Mark and Joe Warren. Both of their sons are graduates of Uniontown High School. George and Wilma have been long-time supporters of education at all levels. In fact, George chaired the County Committee when schools first unified in this area, and he served as president of the U.S.D. 235 Board of Education for years. During that time, he was instrumental in the building of West Bourbon Elementary and the expansion of the school district. Throughout his life, he has been an avid sports fan who attended games for the love of the sport and to see the Uniontown District succeed both at home and at away games. In fact, the George Warren Field at Uniontown was named in honor of George Warren not only because of his love of sports but also because of his dedicated efforts to raise money for improvements and to keep the concession stand operating. Early on, George emerged as a leader. Besides his efforts on behalf of education and sports, his leadership roles have included serving his country in the military, faithfully being Chairman of the Board for the Uniontown United Methodist Church, chairing many diverse county entities, and serving often as President of the Uniontown Ruritan. George is widely known for his business acumen and generosity on behalf of others. This scholarship reflects that generosity.

The George and Wilma Warren Ruritan Scholarship is a scholarship in the amount of one thousand (\$1,000), which shall be awarded each year to a graduating senior from Uniontown High School for a total of fifteen years. The details include the following:

Guidelines

1. Fifteen thousand (\$15,000) has been set aside for the scholarship fund.
2. Each year, one thousand (\$1,000) of the original amount, plus interest, will be awarded to one selected senior student.
3. The first scholarship will be given in 2010.
4. The scholarship awards will continue for a total of fifteen years.
5. The award will be called The George and Wilma Warren Ruritan Scholarship.

Requirements

1. The scholarship recipient must be a graduating senior of Uniontown High School.
2. To be considered, a UHS senior must complete and submit the required application materials stated here.
3. The scholarship applicant should have a GPA of 2.0 or higher.
4. Financial need of the applicant will be a priority.
5. The recipient must attend an accredited trade school, two-year college, or four-year college in Kansas.
6. All applications must be turned in to the Uniontown High School counselor by March 15 of the school year.

Process

1. The submitted applications will be sent to the Uniontown Ruritan Club for selections.
2. The name of the award recipient will be announced at the Senior Awards' Night held at Uniontown High School in early May of each year.
3. George Warren will make the scholarship presentation each year.
4. Five hundred dollars (\$500) will be awarded for both the fall and the spring semesters once proof of enrollment has been verified each semester. The scholarship recipient needs to show proof of enrollment to Kenny Holt at Union State Bank and then pick up the money directly from Union State Bank, where the funds are held.

Application for The George and Wilma Warren Ruritan Scholarship

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

GPA: _____

Rank in Class: _____

ACT Score: _____

College of Choice: _____

College Address: _____

Major: _____

Complete and attach in order these three requirements:

1. List your extra-curricular school activities, including sports.
2. Explain why you think you need this scholarship by especially focusing on financial need and college expenses for your future plans. (Your response needs to be three-fourths of a page, typed, and double spaced.)
3. Write about one aspect of George Warren's life or a combination of them. Talking to individuals who know him well would be helpful. (Your response needs to be three-fourths of a page, typed, and double spaced.)