

The St. John of Damascus Community Scholarship and The Robert P. Zahka Memorial Scholarship

Introduction

Robert P. Zahka (1930-1985) dedicated much of his life to serving St. John of Damascus Church. Bob's love and devotion to his church and the Orthodox faith were strong and unwavering. Of particular concern to Bob was the future of his church and faith. He recognized that young people held the key to this future. In 1987, his wife and family established a scholarship in his memory. This scholarship is awarded each year to that student who has most demonstrated a commitment and dedication to the church

The St. John of Damascus Community Scholarship was established in 2005 to further recognize and acknowledge those students who have excelled in the service of the Church of St. John of Damascus and the Orthodox faith.

Both scholarships will be awarded on May 20th at Church School Graduation.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must be graduates of St. John of Damascus Church School.
2. Applicants must be high school seniors planning to attend full time, a fully accredited college, university, or technical school.
3. Applicants must currently be attending St. John of Damascus Church on a regular basis.

Selection criteria (in order of importance)

1. Attendance and service to St. John of Damascus Church
2. Participation in Choir, Church School teaching, bazaar, etc.
3. Involvement in Teen SOYO in parish, region, and Archdiocese
4. Academic Achievement, Community Service, School Service

Application requirements

1. A completed application submitted by the deadline
2. Transcript of high school grades
3. Copy of letter of acceptance to institution

Please mail your application to the church office by April 13th, 2007

2007 Scholarship Application

Section 1: Personal Information

Name _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

Telephone # () _____

E-mail address _____

Name of father _____

Name of mother _____
(Please indicate if either parent is deceased)

Section 2: Church

Year of graduation from St. John of Damascus Church School: _____

ACTIVITIES AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Please list all of your activities in the parish. Include altar server, teaching, choir, pageant, bazaar, Teen SOYO activities and offices, and any other information you would like. Specify years.

ACTIVITIES IN REGION AND BEYOND:

Please list participation in Antiochian Village, Parish Life Conferences (Bible bowl, Oratorical,) NER Teen SOYO, retreats, workshops, etc. Specify years and any offices held.

Section 3: Academic

Name of High School _____

Address _____

Have you asked the school to send your transcript? _____

Name and location of school you will be attending (if known)

Have you enclosed a copy of your letter of acceptance? _____
(Note: if you have not received your acceptance letter yet, you must send it when it becomes available in order to receive a scholarship check.)

What do you plan to study in college? _____

Please list any extracurricular, school-related activities, honors and awards, volunteer work and employment. Please specify dates.

Section 4: ESSAY

Please use a *separate sheet of paper* to explain your academic, vocational, and personal goals. How has your involvement in church helped to shape the person you are?

All submitted information is subject to verification.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Pastor _____ Date _____