



Reverend Louis Garbacik Memorial Scholarship Fund

A NON-PROFIT 501(c) (3) FOUNDATION

The following guidelines apply to ALL APPLICANTS from Hazleton Area High Schools and Marian Catholic H.S.

- a. Only scholarships are provided no fellowships or loans.
- b. Annual Grants ranging from \$1,000. to \$2,500. are provided to high school graduates from Hazleton Area and Marian Catholic H.S. who will attend a public or private two or four year accredited college, university or technical school in the semester following graduation. Only students who reside in the geographical area of the Hazleton School District will be considered.
- c. Criteria used to determine eligibility include the following Students **MUST** Have POLISH/POLISH AMERICAN ancestry from at least one parent, grandparent or great grandparent.
- d. Graduate applicant must receive a diploma in the year of his/her enrollment in college from either H.A.H.S. or Marian Catholic H.S.
- e. Student selection is based on the following categories: Class Rank, academic performance, extra curricular activities, school choice, career aspirations, school clubs, sports, as well as COMMUNITY AND CHURCH ACTIVITIES, WORK EXPERIENCE IN THE PAST YEAR OR TWO AND HISTORICAL PROOF OF POLISH or POLISH American ancestry.
- f. An objective Essay, of 1,000 or more words of the person YOU consider to be "THE GREATEST POLE, POLISH AMERICAN in HISTORY, and WHY and WHY." A second essay of 1,000 or more words with the title of "WHY I AM PROUD of MY POLISH ANCESTRY."
- g. Recommendations from principals, Guidance Counselors as well as Teachers will be considered; submit 2 class '23 photos.
- h. Completion of our four page application is required. You may find copies of the four page application set on the HANS or Marian Catholic websites, if unable to find apps, feel free to contact Tom Kopetskie by telephone # (570)-454-4397 or at my home adress listed below, reminder, the DEADLINE for submitting Apps is APRIL 30, 2023 (NO EXCEPTIONS).
- i. Relatives of members of the selection committee, principals, administrators or guidance counselors ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.
- j. ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED BY APPLICANTS IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL
- k. Cumulative GPA and SAT records must be submitted with Application

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Respectively, Yours

 Thomas P. Kopetskie

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SECTION I – QUESTION 1f – (SAMPLE APPLICATION)

**REVEREND LOUIS GARBACIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Annual Scholarship Application**

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Parent's Phone # _____

Briefly explain your claim to Polish ancestry. Please be specific, including the names of parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents of Polish ancestry:

SCHOLASTIC HISTORY

List schools that you have attended.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years Attended</u>	<u>Year Graduated</u>
Grade School	_____	_____	_____
High School	_____	_____	_____
Additional Schools Attended	_____	_____	_____

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Provide one copy of your transcript from the latest school you have attended.
(College Freshmen include High School Transcripts.)

Class rank: ___ of ___ students as of _____
(Date)

CAREER ASPIRATIONS

Name of post secondary school you plan to attend: _____

Field of study you plan to pursue: _____

Include copy of Acceptance Letter from school YOU plan to attend.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

a) List the names of clubs, organizations, community and church activities and sports in which you were involved. Include the number of years you participated in each and any elected offices you held. As a minimum list your High School Activities.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Offices Held</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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b) List any awards and honors you have won.

<u>Award</u>	<u>Year</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

c) Briefly describe your outside work experience for the past academic year. Be sure to include the average number of hours worked per week.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Date from (mo./yr.)</u>	<u>Date to (mo./yr.)</u>	<u>Average Number of Hours Worked per Week</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Attach to this application at least a 1,000 ^{or more} word essay explaining why you are proud of your Polish American heritage. The essay should be typed double spaced, on one side of as many sheets of paper as is necessary., don't forget Essay on Greatest Pole or PoleAm in History.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

School Principal

Date

Parent's First and Last names _____

For Student graduates from the Class of 2023 at Hazleton Area High schools and Marian Catholic 2023 grads who live in the geographical territory considered to be the Hazleton School District.



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QUESTIONS:

- 1a. Only scholarships will be provided; no fellowships or loans will be provided.
- 1b. Annual scholarships in the individual amount of \$1,000 to \$2,500 will be awarded to high school students who will attend an accredited public or private two or four year college or technical school upon graduation. The purpose of the scholarships will be to offset the student's cost of attending such post secondary schools.
- 1c. No educational loans will be awarded.
- 1d. The program will be publicized through direct contact with the principal, administration, and guidance departments of the public and private high schools located in the Greater Hazleton, Pa., School District. In addition, public service announcements will be sent to local televisions, print, and radio media outlets that serve to previously noted schools.
2. Specific criteria used to determine who is eligible include:
 1. Recipient must have at least one parent, grandparent, or great grandparent of Polish or Polish American ancestry.
 2. Recipient must be a high school graduate and fulfill all the requirements to receive a diploma from a public or private Hazleton Area School District institution, including Marian Catholic.
 3. Recipient must be enrolled in accredited two or four year college or technical school.
- 3a. Specific selection criteria include, but are not limited to, the following:
 1. Academic performance and class ranking.
 2. Active involvement in community, civic, and church activities, with special consideration being given to those activities involving Polish or Polish American heritage and culture.
 3. An objective evaluation of a required, 1,000 or more word essay related to Polish or Polish American heritage, culture, ancestry, and/or history and a 1,000 plus essay on "WHO DO I CONSIDER to be the Greatest POLE/Pole Am in History?"
 4. Recommendations from respective school principals, administrators, and guidance counselors.