

THE COLBURN-KEENAN FOUNDATION

Beth Carew Memorial Scholarship Application for Undergraduate Students with Bleeding Disorders

2011-2012

Who was Beth Carew and why was a scholarship created in her honor? Beth was an energetic, bright, loving, and caring woman. She was a person with determination and spunk. She was deeply concerned about her family and her community. She was one of few women to be diagnosed with hemophilia A. Beth Carew died in 1994 of complications associated with hemophilia.

This special scholarship was created in her memory because she was a model for us all. She was an outspoken advocate for the needs of families with bleeding disorders and for the needs of women who were affected by bleeding disorders in any way. She was a prime mover in the creation of WONN, the Women's Outreach Network of the National Hemophilia Foundation, which was the national grassroots movement of women affected by bleeding. She was determined to help create a national movement that would recognize and strive to meet the needs of women.

She was a kind and compassionate soul and a relentless fighter. She lived and died with the challenges of hemophilia. She was truly a woman of whom we all can be proud. We at the Colburn-Keenan Foundation, joined by the Carew family, are honored to offer this scholarship program to students with bleeding disorders to assist in their efforts to obtain a higher education.

COLBURN -KEENAN FOUNDATION®, INC. is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the health and well being of individuals and families living with chronic illnesses, with priority placed on those living with or serving those with bleeding disorders. Our mission is to create a perpetual source of grant funding that will support charitable organizations whose programs and activities benefit the chronic illness and bleeding disorders communities; funding that will assist families with bleeding disorders and other chronic illnesses to meet their socio-economic and insurance related needs; funding that will support research to find a cure for hemophilia; and funding that will support students with bleeding disorders through a designated scholarship program for higher education.

We believe that knowledge is the key to the future for our community. We are constantly inspired by the successes of students living with the challenges of bleeding disorders. The Colburn-Keenan Foundation is grateful to be able to give back to our community in this way. We wish all students the very best of luck.

Who is eligible to apply for the Colburn-Keenan Foundation's Beth Carew Memorial Scholarship?

Any undergraduate student with hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, or a related inherited bleeding disorder is eligible to apply for the Beth Carew Memorial Scholarship as long as the below criteria are also met:

1. Applicants must be diagnosed with an inherited bleeding disorder. Students who do not have an inherited bleeding disorder but whose parent(s) or sibling(s) have an inherited bleeding disorder are not eligible to apply, even though they are affected by an inherited bleeding disorder.
2. Applicants must have volunteered time and energy to directly benefit the bleeding disorders community. While general volunteerism is undeniably valuable and should be noted, applicants must document volunteer activities specifically within the bleeding disorders community in order to be considered for this scholarship. Regardless of any legitimate barriers to one's ability to accomplish volunteerism within the bleeding disorders community, applicants should not apply if they cannot fulfill this requirement.
3. Applicants must be entering or attending an accredited 2 year or 4 year undergraduate institution in the United States. High school seniors, undergraduate freshmen, undergraduate sophomores, and undergraduate juniors may apply. Students who are pursuing or resuming an undergraduate degree later in adulthood may apply even if there was a gap in their academic career.
4. Applicants who are past recipients of the Beth Carew Memorial Scholarship may reapply throughout their undergraduate career.
5. Applicants must submit a complete application between February 1 and April 15, 2011.
6. Applicants may not be a volunteer or staff member of the Colburn-Keenan Foundation or their immediate family members.

The Process

- ⇒ Applications must be received by the Colburn-Keenan Foundation no later than April 15, 2011. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- ⇒ An impartial review committee, comprised of two members of the Colburn-Keenan Foundation's Board of Directors and several community volunteers, will judge applications. The committee will submit its recommendations to the Colburn-Keenan Foundation's Board of Directors who then will ultimately vote to approve the final list of Scholarship winners.
- ⇒ The Colburn-Keenan Foundation will award ten (10) scholarships, each in the amount of \$4,000 per student per year, which are offered on a one-year basis to help students with costs associated with obtaining an undergraduate degree. The Colburn-Keenan Foundation reserves the right to award less or more than ten scholarships based on the applicant pool and available funding.
- ⇒ Applicants will be notified by mail before the end of June 2011.
- ⇒ Scholarship winners will be listed on www.colkeen.org/ScholarshipAnnouncement.html
- ⇒ Scholarship funds will be disbursed in two equal payments of \$2,000 each during the academic year: one payment by August 2011 and one payment in December 2011/January 2012 after the recipient submits the first semester's grades to the Colburn-Keenan Foundation. If a recipient fails to complete the first semester in good academic standing, the second payment will not be disbursed.

BETH CAREW MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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**Scholarship applications for the 2011-2012 school year
will be accepted from February 1 – April 15, 2011**

Please fully complete this application, indicating “not applicable” (n/a) when appropriate. There should be no blank lines throughout the application. Feel free to use additional paper if necessary, noting next to that question that you have answered it on a separate included paper. Please type any answers on separate papers and number those pages with your name next to the page numbers.

Student’s name

Student’s current address

Student’s e-mail address

With which bleeding disorder(s) are you diagnosed?

Parent(s)/guardian name(s), if applicable

Parent(s)/guardian address(s), if applicable, and/or student’s permanent address

Parent(s)/Guardian Phone Number(s), if applicable

Student’s Phone Number(s) if different

⇒ Please attach a current photograph (that will not be returned to you) to the front of your completed application.

What is the name of the school that you are currently attending?

If you are a high school senior, please also list the schools to which you have applied to attend for undergraduate studies next year, indicating if you have already been notified of acceptance to any. If you are an adult returning to school, please explain your academic journey and list the schools to which you have applied to attend for undergraduate studies next year, indicating if you have already been notified of acceptance to any.

⇒ Please request that a current official transcript be sent to the Colburn-Keenan Foundation. If you are an adult returning to school, please request that an official transcript be sent from the last school where you attended. An official transcript must be received within the application deadline in order for your application to be considered complete.

What is your current academic average or grade point average (as of December 2010)?

If you are a college freshman, sophomore, or junior, what was your GPA at the end of last year?

⇒ If you are a high school senior, please request that an official report of your SAT or ACT (or similar test) scores be sent to the Colburn-Keenan Foundation. It must be received within the application deadline in order for your application to be considered complete.

If you are a high school senior, what were your SAT or ACT (or similar tests) scores?

Do you anticipate receiving other scholarships or financial aid towards tuition and related expenses? If so, please list other scholarships that you have already been awarded, other scholarships to which you have you applied, and any other sources of potential financial aid. Please indicate the amounts or potential amounts for each.

If you are college freshman, sophomore, or junior, are you currently receiving other scholarships or financial aid towards tuition and related expenses? If so, in what amount(s) and from what sources?

Please type each of your answers to these questions in 500 words or less.

- 1) What are your academic goals?
- 2) What would you like to be able to do after you receive your undergraduate degree?
- 3) Why do you feel you would be a good choice for this scholarship award?
- 4) Please tell us about your specific volunteer activities in the bleeding disorders community.
- 5) What has been your greatest challenge as a person living with a bleeding disorder?
- 6) What is an example of a choice that you have made which you feel demonstrates your good judgment? Please explain why the example was a good choice.
- 7) What is an example that demonstrates poor judgment on your part? Please explain why the example was a poor choice.

⇒ Please attach a resume that lists all volunteer activities with the start and end dates of each volunteer commitment.

⇒ Please request two (2) written recommendation letters from adults. References cannot be familial relatives to you. At least one of the recommendation letters must be from an individual who was directly involved in one of your volunteer experiences within the bleeding disorders community. For our confirmation, please include the name of each reference and their relationship to you.

1) Name: _____ 2) Name: _____
Relationship: _____ Relationship: _____

Recommendations must be submitted directly by these individuals via mail or email. Recommendations should not be included by the student with the rest of the application materials. References may directly mail a signed recommendation letter, with their signature over the seal of the envelope as well, to the address below. Alternately, references may directly email a scanned attachment bearing a signature to admin@colkeen.org. Recommendation letters will not be considered if they are included from the student with the rest of the materials or if they arrive later after April 15, 2011.

CHECK LIST FOR ALL APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

- ✓ Fully completed application
- ✓ A current photograph attached to the front of the completed application
- ✓ A current official transcript or, if applicable, an official transcript the last school attended
- ✓ An official report of SAT or ACT (or similar tests) scores, if a high school senior
- ✓ A resume with the start and end dates of all volunteer commitments
- ✓ Two (2) written recommendation letters directly from the references

Submit all required application materials between February 1 and April 15, 2011. Applications received after April 15th will not be considered. Applications should be mailed to:

**Colburn-Keenan Foundation
P.O. Box 811
Enfield, CT 06083**