## The Libraries of Montrose County Foundation Literature for Life Scholarship

**Purpose:** The Libraries of Montrose County Foundation Directors believe that reading opens up a lifetime of information, inspiration and pleasure to those who make reading a lifelong habit. To encourage this discipline, the Foundation is offering a college scholarship based on reading great literature and thinking seriously about its content.

### **Amount and Duration:**

- \$5,000 per year for up to four years to be paid to the college for tuition and fees
- One scholarship awarded annually.

#### **Selection Criteria:**

- Resident of Montrose County
- Applicants may be moving directly from public high schools, from home schooling, currently enrolled in college or university, or returning to college later in life.
- Enrolling in a four-year college.
- Must read three books from the Literature for Life Scholarship Reading Lists.
- Must submit three essays, two of which will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the books read and the last will describe the applicant's educational goals and needs for financial aid.
- Applications will be evaluated by readers with an academic background. Awards will be made by the Foundation Board from a group of finalists recommended by the screeners.

#### **Retention Criteria:**

- Maintain a 3.0 cumulative grade point average while taking a full academic load.
- Take one literature-based course per academic year.

# Interested in joining our effort as a founding supporter?

A \$2,500 donation endows one month of perpetual scholarship, which can be funded in a lump sum or at \$52/month for 4 years. A \$500 donation buys a scholarship winner's books for one semester.

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