

Fond du Lac Area Foundation Frances and John Welles Science Scholarship

The Frances and John Welles Science Scholarship was established by Frances and John Welles. John was born and raised on a dairy farm in Rosendale. He graduated from Rosendale High School in 1942 and the University of Wisconsin at Madison with a degree in chemistry. His wife of over 65 years, Frances, graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in chemistry as well. They both worked at Eli Lilly and Company in Indianapolis as chemists. John retired after over 40 years at Lilly. They have 4 children, 15 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. They now live in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. John Welles passed away on December 27, 2014.

They have both been involved with numerous volunteer and charity activities over the years and want to continue to give back to local communities. They have established these scholarships to encourage students to pursue their interest in science and learning in a post-secondary educational institution.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

\$1,000 renewable scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria:

- A graduating senior of Laconia High School
- Ranked in top 50% of high school graduating class based on high school transcript
- Demonstrated interest / aptitude in science (as determined by the Laconia high school faculty)
- Have completed two required science classes and have taken one or more of the advanced science electives: *Anatomy & Physiology, *AP Biology, *Biotechnology Science, *Chemistry, *Forensic Science or *Physics
- Written statement (300 words or less) on a separate 8 ½ by 11 page. Please answer one of the following questions:

What was the event that inspired your interest in science and why?

or

If you could invent something, what would it be and why?

or

Who is your favorite scientist, and why have they inspired you?

or

How do you see using science in your potential career?

APPLICANT MUST:

Application should be returned to Ms Raue on or before March 31

