

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, caring, committed people can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

- Margaret Mead



The ESA Foundation’s “Scholarship Brochure” series honors those who have provided, or are honored by an endowed scholarship. This series provides a link between the student recipients and this prestigious group – who are committed to positive change for the world.

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***“Serving the World Community
... Because We Care”***

ROBERT AND JANET JONES

**ENDOWMENT
SCHOLARSHIP**



ROBERT AND JANET JONES ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Judging Criteria “D” – (100 points)

Weighted to Character, Leadership,
and Service

25 pts – Character

25 pts – Leadership

20 pts – Service

15 pts – Financial Need

15 pts – Scholastic Ability

Special Criteria: South Dakota Student
Major – Elementary Education (K – 8)
must be a sophomore, junior, or
Senior in college; GPA 2.30 – 3.30

The Robert and Janet Jones Endowment
was established by Bob and Jan Jones on
Bob’s birthday, February 24, 2007.

As former elementary teachers and
elementary school administrators, Bob and
Jan feel that good elementary teachers are
often individuals who are of high character
with good leadership skills, and a desire to
serve others. However, these individuals
do not always have a GPA above 3.30.
The basic education of this group was
achieved in the “school or hard knocks,”
and they operate well under the stresses of
a given situation utilizing their special gift
of common sense.

However, it appears to the Joneses that
these individuals become more serious
about post-secondary education and
aspiring to become an elementary
teacher after their first year of college.

Bob and Jan also feel that the ESA
Foundation has provided, and continues
to provide, the life blood of the
scholarship program. It and its future,
present and previous boards, and ESA
Foundation members are deserving of
special recognition.

It is the hope of the Joneses that
members of their family, friends, and
ESA sisters will use this endowment as a
place to make donations of gifts of love,
gifts of honor, and gifts which celebrate
the lives of others. These gifts will help
provide the opportunity of achieving an
education for aspiring students who
might not otherwise continue their post-
secondary education and become
successful elementary teachers.

Bob and Jan Jones currently reside in
Brookings, South Dakota.

The South Dakota State Council is a long
supporter of the work and scholarship
program of the ESA Foundation. The
Council has established and/or supports
endowments such as:

Dr. Sidney E. Milburn Memorial
Scholarship; MARC Scholarship; Cora
Scott Family Endowment, and general
scholarships.

The ESA Foundation Scholarship program
began in 1977. Over 100 scholarships are
awarded annually to students across the
United States and Internationally who
meet the criteria of the individual
endowment scholarships.

The Scholarship program operates through
volunteer services with the exception of
the audit performed by Sample & Bailey
CPA, PC, Ft. Collins, Colorado.

Applications are reviewed and processed
by the State Counselor and a Regional
Scholarship Committee, with a final
review by the Scholarship Coordinators
who submit them for final judging to
judges throughout the United States who
are selected from education and business
professionals, who are not members of the
ESA Foundation.
