

Jorgi Nicholau Boom Memorial Fund

Background: Established by her husband Denny Boom, family and friends in memory of Jorgi Nicholau Boom who passed away of cancer at age 46. The Fund is intended to celebrate her life and has been set up with two main goals: (1) to provide on-going educational opportunities for college students and (2) to enhance support of the Annunciation of Sacramento Philoptochos Kid's n Cancer program at St. Nicholas Ranch.

Jorgi was a very passionate person who walked through her life with a deep faith in God and her Orthodox religion. She relied on her faith for strength and courage as she approached life's daily challenges. Her life long search for excellence within her own life kept her continually learning and seeking God's will. Jorgi loved life and those who loved her will always remember her passion for family and friends. She valued the human element in her work life as well. She championed the underdog and cheered on those who worked hard in pursuit of their dreams. Her energy and spirit for supporting what she believed in was contagious. She raised the bar and those around her were inspired to push themselves to a higher standard. These qualities we celebrate by offering this Memorial Fund in her name.

Scholarship Program: This scholarship is not intended merely to further the education of an aspiring student, but to recognize and assist those students who have the vision, values and show potential of doing honor to the name of Jorgi Nicholau Boom. Recipients of the scholarship will be individuals whose character exemplifies the values Jorgi lived by in her personal and professional life.

Eligibility: Students who have been affiliated with and reside within the jurisdiction of the following Greek Orthodox Churches: Annunciation of Sacramento, CA; St. Katherine's of Elk Grove, CA; and, St. Anna's of Roseville, CA; and, are fully enrolled as a sophomore, junior, or senior (freshman are not eligible) at an accredited four-year college or university with a minimum GPA of 2.5 from the prior year.

Amount: Up to three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded per year, one to each fully enrolled and qualified sophomore, junior or senior that meets the eligibility criteria listed above. If there are fewer than three qualified applicants in a given year, the Scholarship Committee may combine and distribute the total amount of available scholarship funds to the qualified applicant(s).

Deadline: Complete applications must be postmarked by May 1st. Scholarship recipients will be notified no later than July 1st.

Renewals: The scholarship is renewable but priority will be given to new applicants each year. Renewal applicants must submit a completed application each year and maintain a 2.5 GPA.

How to Apply: Submit a completed application form and supporting materials (college transcript, three letters of recommendation – one of which must be from the Parish Priest and a brief essay) to the Jorgi Nicholau Boom Scholarship Committee, c/o Annunciation Endowment Fund, 3022 F Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. The Annunciation Endowment Fund Board, on behalf of the Scholarship Committee, will notify scholarship winners no later than July 1st.

Essay: To be considered for this scholarship, candidates must submit a written essay (suggested essay length is 500-1,000 words) on the following topic: What do you hope to achieve in your personal and professional life after college?

Kid's n Cancer Program: The Fund will provide \$500 annually to send additional families/children to St. Nicholas Ranch Kid's n Cancer Program. Specifically, the goal is to provide additional monies to the Philoptochos Chapter of the Annunciation Church of Sacramento in the hope that more families/children can attend this worthy camp in their continuing fight against cancer.