

F. W. Heyl and Elsie L. Heyl

Science Scholarship Fund

*"An investment
in scientific advance . . ."*

With these words of intent, Dr. Frederick W. Heyl (1885-1968) set up through his will a trust fund that continues to benefit ongoing generations of Kalamazoo young men and young women in the field of the exact sciences and in the field of nursing.

Each year, the Heyl Fund offers scholarships to science graduates of Kalamazoo Central High School and Loy Norrix High School to pursue study at Kalamazoo College or Bronson School of Nursing. In addition, the Fund assists Kalamazoo College graduates who wish to engage in advanced studies at Yale University.



Dr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Heyl



Scope of the Program

In the ten years of the Fund's existence, more than one hundred young scholars from the city of Kalamazoo have had scholarship opportunities to attend Kalamazoo College, the Bronson School of Nursing, and Yale University. Fourteen graduates of Kalamazoo College alone have pursued graduate study at Yale University. They all have been in a scientific discipline which utilizes an analytical approach as opposed to a descriptive approach. This analysis involves an exact measurement per Dr. Heyl's will, including but not confined to chemistry, physics, mathematics, geology, astronomy, meteorology, botany, zoology, biology, and computer science.

The scholarships are awarded according to academic merit, without regard to sex, race, color, or creed. They are provided on an academic year basis and may be renewed.

Each year, the Fund offers a minimum of two new scholarships at Bronson School of Nursing, four at Kalamazoo College, and one at Yale University.

Procedure for Selection

1. Interested Kalamazoo Central and Loy Norrix seniors should consult with their respective high school representative of the Heyl Fund for specific information. Kalamazoo College students should see their campus representative for details.
2. Admission to Kalamazoo College, Bronson School of Nursing, or Yale University is a prerequisite to receiving a scholarship from the Heyl Fund. Prospective Heyl scholars should follow the regular admissions procedures established by the institutions.
3. Early in the winter, the Fund's Nominating Committee will study the candidates' credentials and make recommendations to the Board of Directors, which in turn makes the final selections. The decisions will be announced in late March or early April of each year.
4. By the terms of Dr. Heyl's will, the recipients of Heyl Scholarships are expected to remain in their chosen fields — the exact sciences or nursing. Failure to do so will automatically terminate an award. Recipients are expected to maintain satisfactory academic records, and the awards are subject to annual review by the Board of Directors, whose authority in such matters is final.

In the Heyl Tradition

Dr. Frederick W. Heyl was born in New Haven, Connecticut, to parents of comfortable means. After graduating from Yale University at the age of nineteen, he went on to do graduate work, receiving his Ph.D. from the same institution four years later. In 1913, he was hired to be the sole research chemist of The Upjohn Company. When he retired in 1945 as Vice-president and Research Director, Upjohn's research efforts had become a multi-million-dollar operation. For his efforts he was awarded a Doctor of Science degree by Kalamazoo College in 1937.

Aside from his devotion to research, which resulted in bringing about many discoveries in the steroid field, Dr. Heyl was also deeply interested in the education of young scientists. From 1923 until his retirement, he was the guiding light of the Upjohn Scholars Program at Kalamazoo College, by whose encouragement many of Kalamazoo's graduates went on to do advanced work at Yale University and elsewhere.

Between 1945 and 1968, Dr. and Mrs. Heyl devoted much of their creative energies to helping youth. Aware of the nation's growing needs in scientific and medical manpower, the trust was created for the purpose of promoting the education of young scientific scholars. The first Heyl Scholars were appointed in 1971.

The F. W. and Elsie L. Heyl Science Scholarship Fund

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The American Revolution

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