

Announcement

McDonough Council Knights of Columbus Angela M. Houtz/KOC annual Memorial Scholarship

The Maurice J. McDonough Council 12128 Knights of Columbus will award a **\$1,000 scholarship** to a graduating high school senior (male or female) attending the 12th grade and intending to further their education at a 2- or 4-year college program. The successful applicant must demonstrate a commitment to excellence in education, faith and community service, qualities intrinsic to Angela Marie Houtz, a victim of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack on the Pentagon.

Angela (Angie) Houtz was a 1992 graduate of McDonough High School and a civilian Naval Intelligence expert working at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. She was extremely bright, the Salutatorian of her High School class, with a true dedication to learning. Her picture hangs on the school's "Wall of Fame." After high school, Angie attended the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus. Angie was deeply religious and volunteered regularly at a local food kitchen for the homeless, which has been renamed in her honor. According to her "shipmates," Angie was among the most valuable civilian employees with the Navy. At the time of the attack, she and several of her colleagues were assessing naval resources that could be used to assist in rescue and security efforts in New York following the aerial terrorist attack there. While most of America was transfixed by the events playing out on television, Angie was doing what she could to help. Angie was one of the many heroes that perished that day.

The McDonough Council Knights of Columbus believes that the country needs people of Angie's caliber. Therefore, this scholarship fund was initiated to encourage local students to emulate Angie's commitment to learning, faith and community service.

Students applying for the scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating high school senior who resides in Charles County, and
- Have an accumulative high school GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Students who meet the above criteria should submit the following materials by **April 30, 2022**, to the address below.

- An official high school transcript
- A Completed "Angela M. Houtz/KOC Memorial Scholarship Fund application" with **essay**,
- **One** letter of recommendation reflecting community involvement either through a school club or other community organization or effort. The letter should be provided by **one** of the following: (1) a club faculty sponsor, (2) a member of the clergy, or (3) a community leader or public service supervisor.
- **Send to:** Maurice J. McDonough Council 12128 Knights of Columbus Scholarship Committee; c/o Dinneen; P.O. Box 213; Cobb Island, MD 20625. (Can be hand delivered to 12396 Neale Sound Drive, Cobb Island. Please leave on the porch table.)

**McDonough Council Knights of Columbus
Angela M. Houtz/KOC annual Memorial Scholarship
Application Form**

Part 1: Student Information

Name _____

E-mail Address _____

Address _____

City _____ State MD Zip _____

Telephone Number _____

Cell Phone Number (optional) _____

High School Attended _____

Intended College Major or Career Field: _____

Graduation Date _____ Class Rank _____ Number of Students in Class _____

List best ACT score _____ List best combined SAT score _____

List academic honors, awards and memberships during grades 9 through 12. Examples:

advanced courses in all disciplines, honor roll, National Honor Society, Science Fair. State the year and nature of the honor or award.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Part 2: Leadership Service

List offices and positions of leadership (grades 9 through 12), beginning with the most recent. Provide the name of the organization, position, and year. Include school, community, and religious organizations.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

List any group or organization in your school or community where you have been of service (member of organization or group). Include the year(s) that you were active. (Examples: Drama, 2020-22; 4-H 2021-22; church youth group 2018-2019)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

List any extracurricular activities (example: varsity soccer, employment, band), including years of participation. (Example: Recreational Soccer 2017-2020)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

List volunteer work in community (Example: candy-striper, tutor). Give approximate number of months and years(s) involved in each activity. (Example: tutor, 5 months, 2021-22)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Part 3: Essay

Please attach a 500-800 word typed essay on the following subject: ***How I have and will continue to emulate the commitment to education, faith and community service that was intrinsic to Angela M. Houtz. Include how valuing education, faith, and community service can affect your daily life, and the daily lives of others.***

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Angela M. Houtz/KOC Memorial Scholarship Application Checklist **Please arrange items in this order. (Due on April 30, 2022.)**

- Completed Application
- Applicant Essay
- Official High School Transcript
- One Letter of Recommendation

If you have any questions about the announcement or application form, please contact Bob Dinneen, Scholarship Chairman for the McDonough Council 12128 Knights of Columbus at bobd@ethanolrfa.org