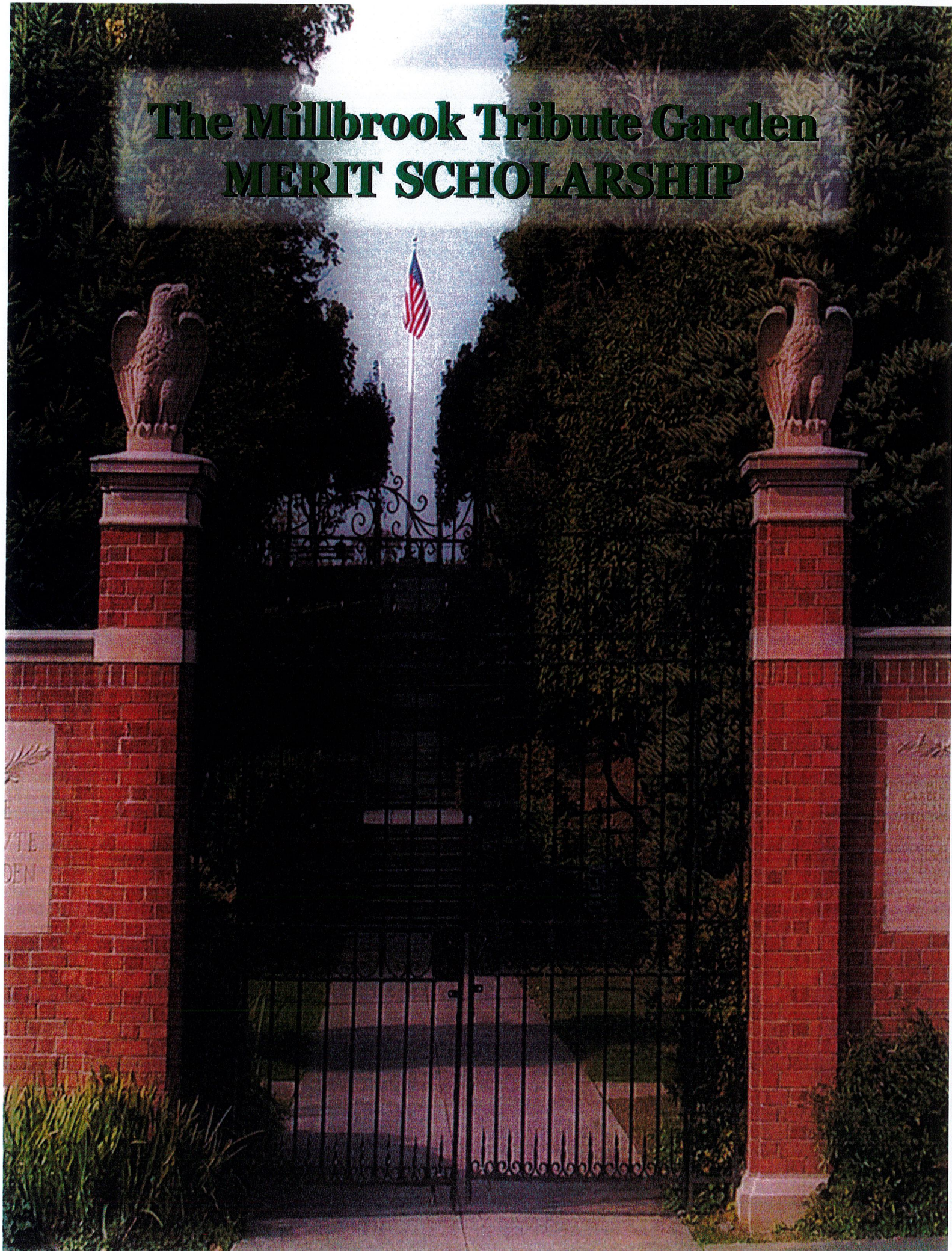


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It is for the people of Millbrook and the betterment of the Millbrook community that The Millbrook Tribute Garden, Inc. exists. The spirit of the corporation has been to develop, boost and maintain the personal and natural resources of this beautiful town.

Now, to further its long standing tradition, The Millbrook Tribute Garden will fund two scholarships through the Millbrook Central High School in recognition of outstanding graduating seniors from the Millbrook Central High School each year. The annual amount to be funded up to \$5000 – a potential \$20,000 award for each recipient over a four year period.

By funding this annual scholarship, The Millbrook Tribute Garden seeks to encourage outstanding academic achievement, develop individual aims and goals and generally increase personal growth among the students at Millbrook Central High School.

Eligibility and Criteria

The Millbrook Tribute Garden Merit Scholarships are open to all graduating seniors of Millbrook Central High School who expect to be full-time college bound students during the following fall school term.

The scholarships will normally be awarded to students each year who exhibit a balance between scholastic ability, well-developed personality, and potential leadership characteristics, in the judgment of the selection committee. Evidence of high character and citizenship will be required. Distinctive achievements in awards, special honors, the arts and other extra-curricular activities will be especially considered. Financial need will be reviewed but is secondary.

Important Dates

January 31 – The deadline for submitting your application.

First week of March
The scholarship winner will be announced.

Except members of the family of the Board of Trustees of The Millbrook Tribute Garden, Inc, and the Millbrook High School Selection Committee.

Award and Renewals

The annual awards are established at:

\$5000 for those students attending a four-year college, or
\$2500 for those attending a two-year college.

In the event other scholarships are received by the winner, the total above monies cannot exceed the total normal annual college expenses. If a recipient attends a college, academy or university which is free then the recipient shall forfeit the scholarship and it will be awarded to the alternate.

In addition, the recipients may apply to receive a renewal of the award up to a maximum of four years, or until the academic degree is achieved, whichever is earlier. He or she shall be asked to submit evidence of acceptable college performance to the scholarship committee by the first week of June in order to be considered for renewal of this award. Dropouts will forfeit their scholarship, and the remaining amount may be given to an alternate.

Application and Selection

Each student who wishes to be considered should request a separate application for the Millbrook Tribute Garden Merit Scholarship which is available from the high school guidance counselor. The application must be completed and returned to the guidance counselor by the deadline date. The student's transcript will then be placed with the application by the school and forwarded to the selection committee.

A special selection committee designated by Millbrook Tribute Garden, Inc. will screen all applications and select finalists. These students will be asked to appear before the committee for a personal interview.

Two students, one student for each scholarship will be judged the winner. However, at the discretion of the committee, the awards may be split. First and second alternates will also be selected but will not be notified unless the winners cannot accept the scholarship or becomes ineligible.

After the winners are announced, he or she will be asked to help publicize the scholarship program in various ways, and especially to encourage future seniors to strive to attain this award.



About The Millbrook Tribute Garden, Inc.

Oakleigh Thorne and Helen Stafford Thorne were longtime residents and benefactors of the Millbrook community.

Mrs. Thorne was particularly interested in gardening and, together with her husband, established a beautiful park garden and playground in the village as a memorial to the residents of the town who had

served their country in World War I. In the late 1940's, the Village Green was developed by the Thornes as a memorial to those from the community who had served in World War II.

The Millbrook Tribute Garden was incorporated in 1943 and a Board of Trustees was established to govern it. The primary purpose of the organization was to carry on the interest of the Thorne family in the Millbrook community, as well as to own and maintain the beautiful facilities that they established.

As a community foundation, The Tribute Garden has also contributed to other worthwhile community projects including beautification, education, and cultural activities. These endeavors have enriched the lives of many in Millbrook.

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