



## **1LT TOM MARTIN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION HIGH ADVENTURE SCHOLARSHIP**

The 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation is named in honor of 1LT Tom Martin who served with distinction in the United States Army and was killed in action in Iraq on 14 October 2007. 1LT Martin began his military service as an enlisted member of the United States Army and later was accepted to and graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point. 1LT Martin was also a graduate of the United States Army Ranger School (Airborne).

In his youth, Tom Martin earned the rank of Eagle Scout, Scouting's Highest Rank, as a member of Troop 201 of Cabot, AR. He worked as a staff member at Camp Nile Montgomery (now Camp Rockefeller) where he served as a member of the COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) Instruction Team and also the Waterfront Staff. He attended many treks at Philmont Scout Ranch (Cimarron, NM) and canoed, portaged, and camped the entire length of the Buffalo National River during his Scouting career. These adventures fostered his love for these and other outdoor challenges.

Because of Tom's love of Scouting, the outdoors, and specifically the high adventure bases and programs of Scouting, the 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation has partnered with the Quapaw Area Council, Inc. to fund an annual \$1000 scholarship for a Quapaw Area Council Boy Scout that possesses the same love of the outdoors and adventure and who has a financial need.

**Applications for this scholarship will be accepted in January 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year.** An independent body of Scouting Volunteers will select the scholarship winner(s) and announce the winner by April 30<sup>th</sup> annually. Scouts that apply should demonstrate through their application that they possess a financial need, excellent Scout Spirit through their local troops, and should explain in detail why they wish to attend the high adventure activity for which they are requesting the scholarship. Activities to be considered for funding will include: Philmont Scout Ranch Treks, Northern Tier High Adventure Base Treks, Florida Sea Base Programs, Bechtel National Scout Reserve Programs, or local high adventure programs offered by the Quapaw Area Council. Scouts may also request that funding be used for activities not listed here but they must be related to High Adventure, be an official Scouting function, and satisfy the selection committee in their scope and program offerings. (These funds will not be awarded for Boy Scout Summer Camp.)

**Scholarship recipients will be required to submit a letter or note of thanks to the 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation Board of Directors along with any individual information about how the funded experience positively impacted their Scouting career and life. Recipients and their guardians also agree to allow the 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation to contact them to discuss their experience and how it benefited them.**

For questions about the scholarship process, please contact:

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# 1LT TOM MARTIN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION HIGH ADVENTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please Print)

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Receive Texts? Y [ ] N [ ]

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

BSA Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Scout Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Unit and Number (ie: Troop 2): \_\_\_\_\_

What high adventure activity do you wish to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_ Have you applied to attend? \_\_\_\_\_ Total Cost of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Explain how Scouting has helped you be more adventurous. Include new skills you've learned through Scouting, and explain what you hope to learn or experience through attending this event (Attach an additional sheet if necessary):

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Attach any letters of recommendation from your Scoutmaster, Pastor or Spiritual Leader, Teacher, or others that can attest to your character and desire to grow through participating in a high adventure experience.

By signing below, I attest that the information included in this application lives up to the principles found in the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Furthermore, I agree to meet all requirements of this scholarship if I am selected to receive it. I understand that this may include, but is not limited to furnishing the local council or the 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation additional information about the high adventure experience I participated in, providing photos of the experience when possible, and writing a letter of thanks to the 1LT Tom Martin Memorial Foundation upon my immediate return from the activity.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Your Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Review and Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_