**Jorgi Nicholau Boom Memorial Fund & Scholarship 2023**

**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 lifelong 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.

**Kid’s ‘n’ Cancer Program**

The Fund will provide $500 annually to send additional families/children to St. Nicholas Ranch Kids 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.

**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 of Elk Grove, CA; and, St. Anna of Roseville, CA; and, will be fully enrolled (minimum 12 semester units or quarter unit equivalent) to begin the sophomore, junior, or senior year of college in the Fall of upcoming school year at an accredited four-year college or university with a minimum GPA of 2.5 from the prior year. Students in Graduate School or postdoctoral programs are not eligible to apply.

**Award:** 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:** Completed applications, along with all supporting documents, must be submitted together in one envelope. Application packet must be sent by USPS postmarked no later than July 1st. Incomplete and/or late applications will not be reviewed.
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 (official 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, 616 Alhambra Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95816. The Annunciation Endowment Fund Board, on behalf of the Scholarship Committee, will notify scholarship winners no later than August 15th. Application forms are available at www.churchcommunitybuilder.com/Ministries/Annunciation Endowment Fund.

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?
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Scholarship Application

Personal Information

Name:
School:
E-mail:
Current Address:

Required Information:

• Official college transcript
• Three letters of recommendation (one must be from the Parish Priest)
• A Brief Essay 500-1000 words on the following topic: What do you hope to achieve in your personal and professional life after college?
• Put all required materials and essay in one envelope. Incomplete information, partial applications, or late submissions will not be considered.
• All applications must be sent by USPS postmarked by July 1st,
• Address to:

Jorgi Nicholau Boom Scholarship Committee c/o
Annunciation Endowment Fund Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation
616 Alhambra Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95816

Notification:

All recipients of scholarships will be notified by August 15th.

Scholarship checks will be mailed to recipients only after official verification of enrollment is received after scholarship is awarded. Send verification to the above address.