

Scholarship Endowment

A \$100,000 scholarship fund has been endowed at the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana by the Jarvie Family of Humble, Texas. It is our hope and desire that future recipients can build on this donation by honoring God, country, and Notre Dame with their future work from the education they will earn at Notre Dame du lac.

The scholarship is entitled the Jarvie Family Scholarship but is in honor of George P. Mitchell of The Woodlands, Texas, founder of Mitchell Energy and Development Corporation, which led the development of unconventional shale-gas resources to add to the United States gas production and reserves. The Newark East field in northcentral Texas produces gas from an unusual reservoir, a tight (low porosity, ultra low permeability) shale. Mitchell's indomitable spirit and effort as well as technological advances and creative implementation of ideas by his staff were required for the 17 year development of this play into a commercial success that benefits the national energy security of the United States. The success of the Barnett Shale gas play has led to additional exploration and production from similar shales around the United States. Fortunately, Humble Geochemical Services, formerly owned by the Jarvie family, was able to contribute in a small way to the successful development of this and other similar unconventional shale-gas energy resource plays.

This scholarship also honors those teachers who had confidence and faith in aiding our educational, scientific development, and societal development. These teachers include Blaine Gamble, Rex Thomas, Darryl Pfeiffer, and Bonnie Deer, who taught at New Carlisle High School, New Carlisle, Indiana; Mary Jane Bowling, who taught at The Oaks Elementary in Humble, Texas; and Prof. James P. Danehy, formerly of the chemistry department of the University of Notre Dame.

In honor of Mr. Mitchell and these teachers, our hope is that students from around the world, of any religion, and of any background, could come to the University of Notre Dame and from that additional educational and spiritual impetus, become fruitful members of world society. The scholarship has a priority schedule, whereby the University will try to provide funds to students from selected regions of the world in the following sequence:

1. Kenya, Tanzania, or Uganda
2. Nigeria
3. Any veteran of United States military service (2 years active duty minimum)
4. Scotland
5. Any high school in the Humble Independent School District, Humble, Texas
6. New Prairie High School, New Carlisle, Indiana
7. Any high school in Harris or Montgomery counties, Texas

All applications should be addressed to the Financial Aid Department at the University of Notre Dame. For more information on the University, please visit www.nd.com.

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