

# THE GENE DOYLE ADVENTURE SCHOLARSHIP

## 2012 APPLICATION



The excitement of daily living,  
The challenge of a wild adventure,  
A love for the land and sea, people and animals,  
A keen awareness of one's surroundings,  
The pure joy of fishing and hiking,  
Of laughing and learning —

**This is the spirit of Gene Doyle  
and  
the reason for the Gene Doyle Adventure Scholarship**

Traditional scholarships offer money toward general college tuition or studies in a particular field, but this scholarship is designed to be as untraditional and unique as was Gene himself. Any Collier County high school Junior, Senior or First-Year college student with a warm genuine smile, a dream, a sense of adventure and an idea for a living, learning experience may apply.

Simply put, it is the goal of the Gene Doyle Memorial Foundation to keep Gene's spirit alive by cultivating and supporting kindred spirits who share his love of life and nature. You are encouraged to choose an adventure of your own design or join a structured trip offered by the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) or Outward Bound, or the Alaska Mountaineering School. The Memorial Foundation will provide finances to support the scholarship recipients in their chosen quest.

As you apply, feel free to express your exuberance, your zest, your dreams and your passion. As we review your application, let us read the smile on your face and the joy in your heart, for it is in this spirit that we lovingly offer this opportunity.

### GENE DOYLE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

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*Naples, Florida 34105*

*(239) 450-4018 Telephone — (239) 263-6104 Fax*

#### **2012 Scholarship Selection Committee:**

**Brad Marshall, Kris Doyle, Jody Russell, Joe Hemrick  
Lindsey Dorrill, Tim Hains, Dick Crofts**



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### **Eligibility**

Any Collier County resident in their Junior or Senior year of high school or first year of college may apply. Applicants must be avid dreamers with a taste for high adventure and a love of life and nature that inspires those around them.

### **Program Descriptions**

The Gene Doyle Memorial Foundation has identified three adventure schools which offer a multitude of exciting programs throughout the country and around the world. As these programs vary widely in cost, location and activity types, you should carefully review the catalogs available in all Collier County High School Guidance offices and select a specific course. You also have the opportunity to design your own adventure – a chance to fulfill a dream or take on a challenge that is important to you.

#### *Self-Designed Adventure*

Students who have long held a dream to adventure anywhere in the country or world can submit an adventure plan of their own creation. A self-designed program is a good way for applicants to demonstrate an adventurous spirit. The Scholarship Selection Committee encourages creativity and daring with a reminder to work out the logistics and costs.

#### *National Outdoor Leadership School*

“The wilderness itself teaches lessons that you will learn well.” Live in a small, self-contained expeditionary community while learning wilderness skills, natural history and leadership. Choose from eight courses on five continents.

For more information, contact: 288 Main Street, Lander, WY 82520-3128 / Phone (800) 710-6657 Website: [www.nols.edu](http://www.nols.edu)

#### *Outward Bound Wilderness*

True backcountry expeditions that require each individual’s active involvement. Instructors inform, inspire and then step back. You will lead, follow, set up camp and use technical and safety systems.

For more information, contact: 910 Jackson Street, Golden, CO 80401 Telephone (866) 467-7651

Website: [www.outwardboundwilderness.org](http://www.outwardboundwilderness.org)

#### *Alaska Mountaineering School*

Tread lightly through the vast Alaska Range with accomplished mountain climbers. This school teaches technical climbing skills, safety, leadership, and wilderness appreciation from the base camp in Talkeetna, Alaska. AMS also offers wilderness courses.

For more information contact Colby Cooms or Caitlin Palmer at P.O. Box 566, Talkeetna, AK 99676

Telephone (907) 733-1016 Website: [www.climbalaska.org](http://www.climbalaska.org)

### **Scholarship Award**

This year, the Gene Doyle Adventure Scholarship will award three (3) scholarships, of up to \$3,500.00 each in value. NOLS, Outward Bound, and Alaska Mountaineering School offer opportunities that fall within this limit. Applicants are advised to consider the cost of travel to and from adventure destinations as well as the cost of purchasing any necessary equipment. If you select a structured program or design a program that costs more than \$3,500.00 you must be able to describe how you will fund the difference.

### **Dates and Deadlines**

Applications Postmarked By . . . . . **March 9, 2012**

Finalist Interviews . . . . . **March 29, 2012**

Scholarships Awarded . . . . . **March 30, 2012**

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**I.** Please complete the following information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: Jr \_\_\_\_ Sr \_\_\_\_ College Freshman \_\_\_\_

**II.** Two sealed letters of recommendation should be enclosed with your application or sent by the application date to the address indicated on the front page. A teacher or school administrator who is **familiar with your spirit** and character should write one letter. The other letter can be from anyone who knows you personally (except parents or grandparents) and can **comment on your spirit of adventure**, e.g. a friend, teammate, sibling, coach, employer, etc. Applicants should provide a copy of pages one and two of this packet to each person writing a recommendation so they will understand the nature of the scholarship.

Please name two individuals writing letters of recommendation:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**III.** Adventure Program applied for (check one):

\_\_\_\_ a. Self-designed adventure. Applicant **must** attach a sheet titled "Self-Designed Adventure for (*Your Name*)" and give a detailed description and itinerary of your adventure.

\_\_\_\_ b. National Outdoor Leadership School: Program Title \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Catalog # \_\_\_\_\_ Page # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ c. Outward Bound: Program Title \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Catalog # \_\_\_\_\_ Page # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ d. Other Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Program Title \_\_\_\_\_

If you chose (b) (c) or (d) above, briefly describe below the adventure program you selected and your reasons for the selection. For a self-designed adventure, follow instructions in (a) above only.

List all costs of your adventure including tuition, travel, and any special equipment required. **Self-designed programs must include a detailed explanation of all costs. If the total is more than \$3,500 indicate how will you fund the additional cost.**

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**APPLICANT INFORMATION**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Statement.** Tell us about your best adventure, real or imagined in at least 100 words. This personal statement should be typewritten on a separate page with your **name at the top**.

Please tell us a little about yourself by filling in the spaces below: (no attachments please)

**Hobbies and Interests:**

**Community Service/Volunteer Activities:**

**School Activities:**

**Athletic Activities:**

**Work Experience:**

**Awards and Honors:**

***Mail* completed applications, with all attached statements and recommendations, to:**

Scholarship Chairman — Gene Doyle Memorial Foundation  
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**Applications must be *postmarked* by March 9, 2012. Late applications cannot be considered.**