

## **THE FRANK THOMSON SCHOLARSHIP or THE WOMEN'S AID SCHOLARSHIP**

The Frank Thomson Scholarships were established as a memorial to Frank Thomson, a former President of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, by his children. Mr. Thomson had a lifelong interest in the education of the youth of his fellow employees. He devoted himself to helping them obtain an education. In addition, a number of Women's Aid Scholarships are offered annually to provide assistance toward tuition and additional necessary expenses for undergraduate study at generally recognized and accepted colleges and universities. Deadline for completed applications, test results, and all other information required is April 1, of each year.

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

Eligible persons are children of active, retired or deceased employees of:

- (a) Conrail, or
- (b) The Penn Central Corp. or Amtrak, who were employed by Penn Central Transportation Company or the Pennsylvania Railroad Company before April 1, 1976; or
- (c) National Passenger Railroad Corporation who were employed by the The Penn Central Transportation Company or the Pennsylvania Railroad Company before April 1, 1976; or
- (d) Norfolk Southern Corporation who were employed by Conrail prior To June 10, 1997; or
- (e) CSX who were employed by Conrail prior to June 10, 1997.

In order to be eligible, any such person must be a graduate of high school, or a high school senior to be graduated in June or January of the current school year, and must have taken the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT). **Applicants must be either prospective college freshman or currently enrolled in an undergraduate course of study.**

### **THE SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Each year the Trustee will make available, for scholarships, the funds necessary to assure the payment of any scholarships awarded by the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Scholarships may be awarded for up to four years and for varying amounts, as determined by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Such awards may be adjusted annually in accordance with the Scholarship Selection Committee's decision as to change in financial need of the student.

Prior to May 31 each year, scholarship holders must submit, to the Trustee, a request for renewal of the award for the next academic year. The scholarship holder's academic progress and financial needs will be considered in connection with the request for renewal.

### **HOW ARE WINNERS SELECTED?**

The winners of the Frank Thomson or The Woman's Aid Scholarships will be selected on the basis of their academic records, college entrance examination board scores, current college transcripts (if applicable), financial need, and overall worthiness. The selections will be made by an independent Scholarship Selection Committee composed of several outstanding educators. No official or employee of CONRAIL or the Trustee will be involved in any manner in the selection process.

## **HOW TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP:**

### **An applicant for a Frank Thomson or a Women's Aid Scholarship must:**

1. Take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT).
2. Instruct that the above scores be reported to the Chairman/Selection Committee, Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship Program. This is accomplished by indicating **Code 0048** or **Code 0403** respectively in the appropriate place on the test registration.
3. Applicants must submit the Financial Aid PROFILE to the College Scholarship Service. To obtain a PROFILE packet, complete the PROFILE Registration Form, available from high school guidance office or Financial Aid office of the school currently attending.

CSS will send you a customized PROFILE application packet within 2-3 weeks after receiving your PROFILE Registration Form. Complete your PROFILE application packet and mail it back to CSS for processing.

You should submit your completed PROFILE application by April 1, 2007. We recommend that you file the registration form at least a month earlier.

**IMPORTANT: List Frank Thompson Scholarship, Code 0048 or Women's Aid Scholarship, Code 0403 on the registration form. Only one PROFILE is needed to satisfy the requirements for both programs.**

4. Prior to April 1, 2010 mail to the Chairman/Selection Committee at the address listed below:
  - (a) Completed Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Scholarship Application Form
  - (b) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing (ACT) scores, if not reported directly to Code 0048 or Code 0403 as described in Paragraph 2 above
  - (c) Financial Aid Profile results, as described in Paragraph 3 above
  - (d) Copy of your parents' current Form IRS 1040
  - (e) Copy of your high school transcript if a senior in high school or a copy of your college transcript. **(Students who are in their freshman year of college at the time of application must submit both a copy of their high school transcript and a copy of their college transcript).** Also, information and application forms may be obtained by written request to:

**Chairman/Selection Committee  
Frank Thompson/Women's Aid Scholarship Program  
P.O. Box 95  
Broomall, PA 19008**

**PLEASE INCLUDE A STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE.**

Human Resources Department  
Form #6 (Revised 10/12/2008)

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
FRANK THOMSON SCHOLARSHIP  
WOMEN'S AID SCHOLARSHIP**

**Please type or print legibly**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's Last Name) (First) (Middle)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Home Telephone (Inc.Area Code) (Date of Birth) (Social Security No.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
University/College Applicant Proposed Entering or Currently Attending:

If presently attending a college/university please indicate what year you are entering: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Grad: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

My educational and career goals are: \_\_\_\_\_

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Conrail (**former Conrail**) Parent's Name (Last) (First) (Middle)

Conrail Employee Number \_\_\_\_\_ S.S. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Entered Service Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Parents living? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If parent no longer with Conrail, last date of service w/Conrail or Predecessor RR \_\_\_\_\_

If retired or deceased, parent was a \_\_\_\_\_ employee at the time of death or retirement.  
(Railroad Company)

Parent receiving disability annuity? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Current Job Title) (Date Entered Service)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Location of Employment (City/State): (Work Telephone No.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Department) (Division)

I hereby apply to the Chairman, Selection Committee of the Frank Thomson/Woman's Aid Scholarship for a scholarship for the period of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. If selected, I agree to abide by all rules and regulations with respect to the Scholarship Fund, my Institution, and those of the Trustees.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: Conrail Scholarship Committee  
Chairman, Frank Thomson/Women's Aid Selection Committee  
P.O. Box 95  
Broomall, PA 19008

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