



Mary Ridder Cherny Fund

What is the Mary Ridder Cherny Fund?

The fund was established by Mary Agnes Ridder Cherny's family to honor her commitment to her family, vocation, and students. She died November 10, 2005 when the effects of cancer claimed her life.

As a young child, Mary, or Agnes or Aggie to her friends and family, showed signs of talent in music which was greatly encouraged by her parents. Piano was her first love and she started taking private lessons. She blossomed into an accomplished violinist and also learned to play the oboe and cornet. She graduated college with a music education degree. Mary taught private music lessons to youngsters, accompanied her students on piano, and performed in various bands and orchestras. Throughout her life, she never abandoned her love of music.

What is the purpose of the Fund?

The Mary Ridder Cherny Fund with the Community Foundation of the Quincy Area **provides financial support to Quincy public and parochial schools for 6-8th grade students who want to participate in the performing arts.** Proceeds from the fund may be used, but not limited, to provide funding for student talent or merit awards, to help deserving students cover costs of lessons, workshops, rental or for purchase of instruments, music, scripts or related items.

How does the fund work?

Grants are made yearly from the fund to provide support that falls within the stated purpose of the fund. The advisors to the Mary Ridder Cherny Fund may make written recommendations to the Community Foundation's Board of Directors regarding grants from the fund. All grants are made at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation.

How to apply:

Requests for funding which meet the charitable purpose of the Mary Ridder Cherny Fund should be submitted on the Application Form to the Community Foundation of the Quincy Area. Completed Application Forms must be received by the Community Foundation by May 1 each year. While funding is not dependent upon submitting the Application Form, this Form serves as a means to make the Community Foundation aware of deserving programs and students.

Direct questions and application forms to:

Community Foundation of the Quincy Area
PO Box 741
Quincy, IL 62306
(217) 222-1237
grantsqacf@adams.net

For more information about the Community Foundation, you may also want to visit our website:
www.mycommunityfoundation.org

Mary Ridder Cherny Fund Application Form

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Date Received: _____ ____ Approved ____ Denied ____ Conditional upon: _____ _____ Grant Number: _____ Grant Amount: \$ _____
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School: _____

Name and Title/Position of School Contact: _____

School Address: _____

School Contact Phone: _____

School Contact Email: _____

Funds may only be used for 6th - 8th grade students to participate in the performing arts.

Amount Requested: _____

Please provide a summary of your request. _____

Name-PRINT or TYPE

Signature

Date

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