

Lake Icaria 2026 Scholarship Application

Honoring Carl Zimmerman, Soil Conservationist

Jean 'Zimmerman' Loup, Chuck Zimmerman and Susan 'Zimmerman' Hernandez have contributed funds for a scholarship for the 2025 graduating class honoring Carl Zimmerman's contributions to the Corning Community & Adams County, through Soil Conservation.

Carl grew up in Beatrice, Nebraska, graduating from high school in 1927. He attended the University of Nebraska, majoring in Vocational Agriculture. Graduating in 1933. Carl then moved to Iowa to teach and coach until accepting a position with the USDA as a Soil Conservationist. Working with local farmers, he helped them establish soil conservation practices on their farms. This process was necessary to qualify for Federal funds, which were necessary for the Walters Creek Watershed, which ultimately resulted in the construction of Lake Icaria. Carl spearheaded that project. There is still a section in the North East corner called the Zimmerman Watershed.

Jean (class of 1959), Chuck (class of 1961) and Susan (class of 1990) were raised in Corning and were all graduates of Corning High School. Jean graduated from Iowa State University in 1963 and then received graduate degrees in 1965 from University of Oklahoma. Chuck graduated from Coe College in 1965. Susan graduated from Iowa State University in 1994.

Requirements

- Be a graduating senior from Southwest Valley High School
- Must be planning to attend a four year college or university with an Ag Major or a two year Vo-Tech program with an Ag focus
- Must have a 3.0 grade point average during their high school career
- Financial need

Submit the following to the Southwest Valley School Counselor

- Letter of application/resume
- Grade transcript from high school
- Reference letter from a community leader, professional, or school staff
- Personal letter indicating why he/she is deserving of this scholarship

Disbursement of funds

Payment of the funds will be made after the student completes the first term of college and submits a copy of grades and 2nd semester enrollment verification to the SWV High

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School Counselor. The student must maintain satisfactory grades and be enrolled for the 2nd term, the counselor will make authorization for the payment.

**The scholarship committee and the Zimmerman family will have final determination of the recipients.

Thank you. Susan Zimmerman Hernandez, 4336 E Kachina, Phoenix, AZ 85044

Deadline: Submit a **letter of application and resume** to the SWV High School Counselor by April 2nd.