



SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

Evans Scholars Program



South Hills Country Club members support the Evans Scholars Program in helping deserving young caddies in pursuit of a college education. The Evans Scholarship is a full tuition and housing college scholarship for high-achieving caddies with limited financial means.



Our goal at South Hills Country Club is to continue to increase the number of members supporting the Evans Scholars Par Club (minimum donation of \$250 per year) resulting in all SHCC Lockers having an ES Par Club magnet on them.



EVANS SCHOLARS FOUNDATION

By The Numbers

The Western Golf Association, headquartered in Glenview, Illinois, has supported the Chick Evans Scholarship Program through the Evans Scholars Foundation. As the nation's largest scholarship program for caddies, the Evans Scholars Foundation has helped thousands of hardworking young men and women get to college since 1930. A record 1,190 youth caddies are enrolled across the nation as Evans Scholars for the 2024-25 academic year, and more than 12,285 caddies have graduated as Evans Scholars since the program was founded.

The Evans Scholars Program addresses the barriers to college graduation faced by students and prepares them for a lifetime of success. Evans Scholars graduate at a rate of **95%** significantly higher than national averages for the student populations the Program serves. After graduation, Evans Scholars are well-prepared to build successful careers. **96%** of Class of 2024 Evans Scholars were employed full-time or attending graduate school within six months of graduation. This far exceeds the success rates of their non-Evans Scholar peers and truly demonstrates the life-changing impact of the Evans Scholarship.

1,190

Evans Scholars in school for the
2024-25 academic year

3.3

Cumulative GPA of the 1,190 Evans
Scholars in school

\$37 Million

Annual Evans Scholars
Program Costs



\$125,000

Evans Scholarship
Value

40%

Percentage of Scholars who are
first-generation college students

\$70,000

Average family income of the families
of Evans Scholars

To be eligible to apply for an Evans Scholarship for caddies, candidates must meet the following:

Strong caddie record

Excellent academics

Outstanding character

Demonstrated financial need

The Evans Scholars Foundation was named **Scholarship Provider of the Year** by the National Scholarship Providers Association (NSPA) during the NSPA Awards of Excellence Dinner on Oct. 16, 2024 at the organization's annual conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. The NSPA Scholarship Provider of the Year Award showcases scholarship providers that leverage their unique resources to strengthen college access and success, improve conditions in their communities, kick-start innovation and contribute to advancements in the scholarship industry.



In recognition of the foundation's governance and other best practices for nonprofit organizations, the Evans Scholars Foundation has received a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator. A coveted 4-star rating, the highest honor possible, recognizes the foundation's sound fiscal management and commitment to accountability. Only 17 percent of the charities evaluated have received at least five consecutive 4-star evaluations. In addition, the Evans Scholars Foundation is a platinum-level GuideStar participant demonstrating its commitment to transparency.



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Evans Scholars Program Overview

CURRENT SOUTH HILLS EVANS SCHOLARS



Michael Pantelis

Penn State University '26
Finance

"I want to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has supported the Evans Scholarship. A heartfelt thanks goes out to all the members of South Hills Having served as a caddie I've gained invaluable life skills that continue to contribute to my success in college and life in general."



Calvin Terza

Penn State University '26
Industrial Engineering

"I would like to thank everyone once again that helped me obtain the scholarship in any capacity. I am currently enrolled in my dream school pursuing a career that I am very passionate about, and I owe it to all the scholarship and the support I have gotten through it."



Benjamin Ambrose

Penn State University '27
Accounting

"Thank you for supporting me as an Evans Scholar. I am extremely grateful for everything South Hills Country Club has provided for me and all of the opportunities I have been gifted with. Thank you for choosing me and believing in my commitment to the Evans Scholars Program."



Jacob Wincko

Penn State University '27
Chemistry

"I would like to extend my thanks to those who fund the Evans Scholarship, and members of South Hills Country Club for the skills and lessons that I have been taught since I started caddying."



Christian Villa

Penn State University '28
Aerospace Engineering

"Thank you to the members of South Hills Country Club. Without your support and encouragement, I could not have reached where I am today. The Evans Scholarship has changed my life."



Zachary Auel

Penn State University '29
Newly Awarded Scholar

"I plan to attend Penn State to major in Kinesiology. Not only am I expecting to gain knowledge with my college education, but I am going to learn how to be the best that I can be in my profession."



Tyler Feth

Penn State University '29
Newly Awarded Scholar

"I am excited about the journey ahead and the possibilities that lie within a college education. The Chick Evans Scholarship represents not just financial support but also a belief in the potential of its recipients."

SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB EVANS SCHOLARS ALUMNI

Name	School	Grad. Year	Company/Organization	Title
Stephen Bishop	Penn State University	2001	Solar Financial Group	Financing Director
David Shoemaker	Miami University	2018	LEAP	Teaching Artist
Alexx Suchy	Penn State University	2019	National Golf Links of America	Assistant Golf Professional
Alex Garda	Penn State University	2021	Office of the Comptroller of Currency	Assistant National Bank Examiner
Nick Pantelis	Penn State University	2021	Enhanced Information Solutions	Lead MES Consultant
Adam Brueggman	Penn State University	2021	American Junior Golf Association	Regional Manager, Northeast

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Par Club Contributors to the Evans Scholars Foundation in 2022, 2023 and 2024

	2022	2023	2024*	Evans Scholarships are awarded on the basis of:
SILVER				
Bill and Linda Cline		✓		
Gary and Karen Evans*	✓	✓	✓	Excellent academics
Michael and Chris Hanzel*	✓	✓	✓	
HOLE-IN-ONE & LIFE				Outstanding character and leadership
Matthew Bartek	✓	✓	✓	
Stephen and Melissa Bailey			✓	
William Garvey*		✓	✓	Strong caddie record
Chris Kemerer	✓			
Andrew and Gail Vater	✓	✓	✓	
Chuck and Lynn Voelker*	✓	✓	✓	Demonstrated financial need
Jonathan Voelker*	✓	✓	✓	
Mike and Amanda Voelker	✓	✓	✓	
Gary and Denise Wobb	✓	✓	✓	
EAGLE				For more information on the Evans Scholarship and our youth caddie program, please contact a South Hills WGA Directors:
Doug and Heather Morally			✓	
BIRDIE				Gary Evans
Terrence and Valerie Kenny	✓		✓	Bill Garvey
Cory Krebs			✓	Mike Hanzel
Paul and Janice McFarlane	✓			Chuck Voelker
John and Kathryn Miehl	✓	✓	✓	Jay Voelker
Brien Murphy	✓			
PAR CLUB				
Renee Benson	✓			
Christopher Blass			✓	
JoAnn and Walter Bridges	✓			
James Collins			✓	
Jim and Eda Dean	✓	✓	✓	
Doug and Suzan Dunn	✓	✓	✓	
Tim Evans			✓	
Jim Faccenda		✓		
Greg Finerty		✓	✓	
Darryl and Betsy Fluhme	✓	✓	✓	
Mark and Marian Gannon	✓	✓	✓	
JR Gielarowski	✓	✓		
Steve Gielarowski	✓	✓	✓	
William Houston			✓	
Ben Huber			✓	
John Innocenti	✓	✓	✓	
Domenic Laudato	✓	✓	✓	
Pat and Brooke Levendusky	✓			
Bruce McIlrath		✓	✓	
Karl Meyer			✓	
Donald Nyalka	✓	✓	✓	
James Petrick			✓	
Jeff and Deborah Recker		✓		
Vince and Terry Sands	✓	✓	✓	
Grant and Mary Lou Scorsone	✓			
Tom Shanahan	✓	✓		
Kevin Smith			✓	
Larry and Dorothy Souleret	✓	✓	✓	
Frank Taucher, Jr.			✓	
John and Vicky Thatcher			✓	
Timothy and Marcia Veith		✓		
Joe Venturella		✓		
Jim and Sheryl Whalen	✓			
Marty and Carol White	✓	✓	✓	
Thomas Will			✓	
Nathan and Allison Woods	✓	✓	✓	

*WGA Director
(Gifts as of 12/31/2024)



WGA Director Gary Evans with South Hills Evans Scholars at the opening of the J. Wood Platt Evans Scholars Scholarship House at Penn State University on September 22, 2019. The Evans Scholars Foundation is supported by the Western Golf Association and is currently providing full tuition and housing Evans Scholarships for 1,190 caddies of modest means around the country. We are sincerely grateful for your support.



Western Golf Association