The Harry H. and Floy B. Chapin Scholarship Fund was initially established by Floy B. Chapin in 1977 in memory of her husband Harry H. Chapin. Floy added additional funds to the scholarship when she passed away in 1994.

Floy, an astute businesswoman and civic leader in Durand, believed in her life’s philosophy: “You can’t wait for everything to be just right to make a move; that moment never comes. Act when you are ready, not when the situation is.” In 1931, the Chapins purchased their business from J. M. Geary. Half of their business was a furniture store and the other half was an office and casket selection room. In 1937, they built a new funeral home. Following her husband’s sudden death in 1947, Floy continued the business at the request of many Durand citizens. Between 1952 and 1956, she was a business partner of Collins Y. Sundeberg (Sundeberg-Chapin Funeral Home) in Rockford. In the early 1950s, Floy promoted the Businessmen’s Association. She was instrumental in opening a bank in 1957 in Durand and she co-sponsored the pharmacy building in Medina Manor Nursing Home.

Because of her generosity, many graduating high school seniors have had the opportunity to fulfill one of her favorite proverbs: “Life is like reading a book. You never forget the chapters you’ve read but there are always new pages to get to.”

**Applicant Must:**

- Be a graduating senior from Durand, Dakota, or Pecatonica High School;
  - Frequent businesses in Durand;
  - Rank in the top 15% of their graduating class; and
  - Plan to attend a college or university.

**Deadline:** February 1

**To Apply:** Visit cfnil.org/scholarships and follow the instructions under “How to Register & Apply”.

When you’re ready, look for the Application Portal link to start your application.

CFNIL’s online application will automatically match you to every one of CFNIL’s 90+ scholarships for which you are eligible. CFNIL awards more than $300,000 in scholarships every year. The deadline for scholarship applications is February 1.

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