**Department of Pennsylvania**
**Veterans of Foreign Wars**
**Jack Barger Sr. Memorial Nursing Scholarship Program**
**2023 – 2024**

A Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund was established at the 1989 VFW State Convention held in King of Prussia, PA.  This fund is in honor of Jack E. Barger Sr., Department Commander, 1987-1988, who passed away during his term of office.

A $500.00 scholarship was awarded in 1990 and over the past 30+ years the amounts and number of scholarships awarded has increased to six (6) $1,000.00 scholarships per year.  The two main efforts to raise money for these scholarships are requesting donations from VFW Posts and Auxiliaries and the Annual Nursing Scholarship Golf Scramble.

Candidates for this award will be solicited through the Pennsylvania Nursing Association and its contacts with nursing schools in Pennsylvania.  Chairpersons and deans of nursing schools will be asked to submit names of worthy candidates.  The recipient(s) will be chosen by means of a lottery conducted by P.N.A.

There are two qualifications placed on the candidate(s) by the VFW: (1) the individual be a veteran or the son or daughter of a veteran; (2) be a resident of Pennsylvania.

With the help of VFW posts and auxiliaries within Pennsylvania supporting the Golf Scramble by buying advertisements in the program book we will be able to increase the donation for the golf scramble to over $10,000.00 each year.  All monies for advertisements in the Golf Scramble Program Book and any monetary donations will go directly to the scholarship fund.  Remember that none of this money supports the golfers participating in the scramble; however, they do support the scholarship program.

The 29th Annual Barger Nursing Scholarship Golf Scramble will be held on Friday, August 11, 2023 at the Bridges Golf Course 6729 York Road Abbottstown PA 17301 with registration at 7:00am and the shotgun start at 8:00am.  This scramble will be followed by a luncheon at East Berlin VFW Post 8896.

Yours in Comradeship,

Dwight Fuhrman
Barger Scholarship State Chairman