



# Fondation Nicole-Saint-Louis

For the Advancement of Education and Christian Evangelical Faith

## The Nicole-Saint-Louis Foundation Awards Scholarships to Two New Recipients for 2005-2006

The Board of Directors of the Nicole-Saint-Louis Foundation is pleased to announce that two candidates have qualified in 2005 for student scholarships of \$1,000 each. In the last three years, the Foundation has awarded eight scholarships to candidates selected by an independent committee. The Foundation, a Christian evangelical charity of volunteers, was founded in memory of Nicole Saint-Louis, a young woman who died of a bone cancer. The Foundation's mission is to contribute to the advancement of the Christian faith and academic education by awarding study scholarships to those pursuing a professional or technical degree.

### To Proudly Pursue a Trade

Nothing equals obtaining a professional or technical training to counter the drop-out rate of students and the shortage of qualified labour. In our society, we have a tendency to value too highly the potential that post-graduate studies will offer to the detriment of encouraging qualified tradespeople. Often, we push our young people to pursue university studies when 75 - 80 % of the present employment opportunities require a technical or professional degree. Many excellent schools go to great lengths to change this perception about trades. It is important to realize that the professional and technical sectors offer excellent employment opportunities.

"The Nicole-Saint-Louis Foundation seeks to encourage people to find their place and to affirm their faith in Jesus, morally and spiritually, in a fragile world," states Alain Saint-Louis, secretary of the Foundation. Its role is to encourage students to fulfill their dream to practice a trade of which they can be proud. That is, they are encouraged to make a difference IN LIFE and FOR (eternal) LIFE.

## The Beautiful Testimony of Two Young Women



According to the Foundation's criteria of selection, the committee recommended two distinguished candidates to receive scholarships for the school year 2005-2006. The two \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to Geneviève Leduc of Longueuil and Mélissa Cossette of Laval, during a special presentation at their respective churches.

Congratulations to Geneviève and Mélissa and to their families, churches and friends who are supporting them in their plans and journey with the Lord.



Geneviève Leduc will pursue her studies at the Word of Life Bible Institute in Schroon Lake, New York, where she hopes to deepen her relationship with God and discover his plan for her. She was active in her home church by playing the piano for worship and teaching children.



From left to right: Pastor Yanick Éthier, Yolande Saint-Louis, Pastor Normand Joseph, Alain Saint-Louis, Geneviève Leduc (the scholarship recipient), France Saint-Louis, Sébastien Leduc and Geneviève's family at her church, l'Église Baptiste Évangélique de Longueuil.

Mélissa Cossette is studying nursing at Dawson College. After working as a nurse, she hopes to become a missionary, as the Lord leads. In high school, Mélissa participated in her church youth group and taught Sunday School to 10-11 year olds.



Mélissa Cossette receives her scholarship at her church, l'Église Baptiste Évangélique de l'Île Jésus. Left to right: Alain Saint-Louis, Pastor Maurice Cloutier, Mélissa Cossette, Pastor Philippe Bonicel, France Saint-Louis and Carole Doucet.

Who can say how the Lord will use our testimony? Although we do not always see immediate results, that should not stop us from testifying by our actions. These two young women are indeed a living testimony.

## Study Scholarships Available

The Foundation seeks to encourage young people who have a committed faith and who desire to pursue technical studies on the high school and college level. In order to qualify and receive a study scholarship from the Foundation, they must meet the following criteria: be a Canadian citizen, be accepted and registered as a full-time student in a specialized school, professional high school program or technical college program, that is recognized by the Ministry of Education and the student must be in good academic standing. The candidate must be born again and an active participant in an evangelical church.

The application deadline for a scholarship for the 2006-2007 school year is May 15, 2006. For more information on the Foundation, visit their web site at, [www.FondationNicoleSaintLouis.org](http://www.FondationNicoleSaintLouis.org).

## The Foundation Profile

The Nicole Saint-Louis Foundation is a registered charitable organization, launched in memory of Nicole Saint-Louis, who passed away in 1987 at the age of 24 from cancer. The Foundation seeks the advancement of educational pursuits and the advancement of evangelical Christian faith by granting student scholarships. A unique organization, the Foundation works across Canada from its head office in Montréal, Québec.

The funds, supplied by individuals, churches, businesses and organizations, are awarded as scholarships before the beginning of each academic year to candidates recommended by an independent, volunteer

selection committee. The Board of Directors of the Foundation wishes to express its thanks to the volunteers and donors for their generosity and commitment.

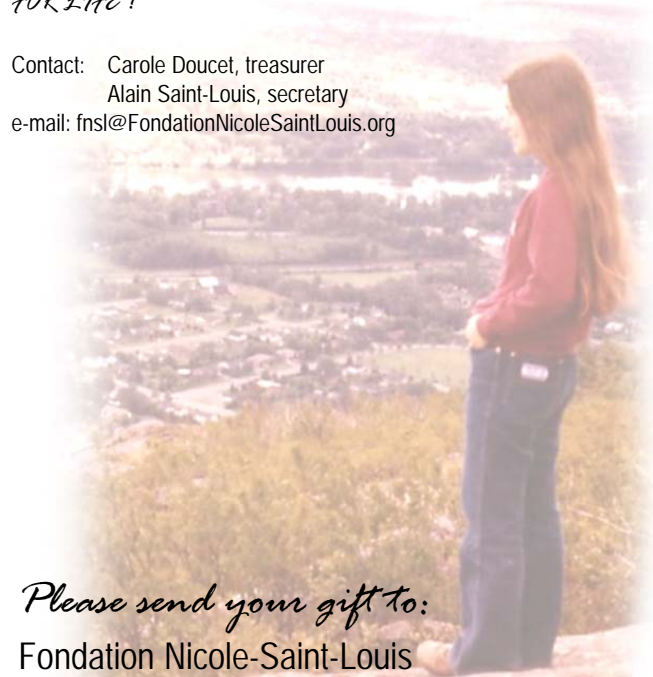
Any individual, church, business or organization who desires to help advance the pursuit of education and evangelical, Christian faith will find through the Foundation a concrete way to help potential candidates proudly pursue the trade or profession of their choice.

*"At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need."*

*2 Corinthians 8:14*

We encourage you to generously support the Nicole-Saint-Louis Foundation so it may continue its work and make a difference ... **FOR LIFE!**

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