

Gleaner Spirit

Gleaner Scholarship recipients announced

Gleaner Life Insurance Society is proud to announce 108 scholarships have been awarded to benefit members for 2025. Each scholarship was a one-time award of \$2,500 as our Society helps the next generation grow to its full potential. Since 1980, the Gleaner Life Insurance Society Scholarship Foundation has awarded more than \$4.6 million in aid to Gleaner students. This year's recipients plan to attend schools stretching from Maine to California. Their majors include fields such as chemical engineering, nursing, Bible studies, construction, and veterinary sciences. Visit www.gleanerlife.org/scholarships for a link to the full list. Congratulations to all 108 recipients, and thank you to members who make these opportunities possible!



Remembering local arbor history

Several current Gleaner arbors were founded more than a century ago, and members can show just how different those times were for rural America. A member going through a basement found this group photo taken in front of the Rolling Prairie Arbor (IN) Gleaner Hall. Rolling Prairie was chartered in 1909 in La Porte, Indiana, and it was not clear when the picture was taken. The back of the photo only identified Charles Henry Wheatbrook (front row, far right). It turns out the photo appeared in the October 1923 edition of *Forum* (then known as *The National Gleaner Forum*). It was identified as the arbor's "snappy Dramatic Degree team for their big State meeting."



Wheatbrook, born March 18, 1881, was playing a role that called for a long, white wig. He lived until April 1, 1957. He and his wife Eliza Jane (McNeal) Wheatbrook raised seven children in the Rolling Prairie region, and many of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren live there.

Many local arbors have served their communities for decades. If you have stories to tell and pictures of your arbor, let us know! Email communications@gleanerlife.org to contact the Communications Department.



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