

# UCTinAction

Information for UCT's Local and Regional Secretaries

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**UCT in Action is designed exclusively for UCT's local and regional council secretaries to provide you with the information you need to know about programs, reports, council details, home office deadlines, and who to contact for specific assistance. You are our greatest resource, and we want to help make your jobs easier!**

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## The Ann Marshall Scholarship Program could use your help

The Ann Marshall Scholarship Program was created in 2020 to fill the void left by the suspension of the May E. Tisdale Scholarship Fund by awarding scholarships to members and the children and grandchildren of members. The program was named after Fraternal and Scholarship Coordinator Ann Marshall because she helped to administer UCT's scholarship programs for many years and was dedicated to doing so.

The scholarship is open to students for four years of college undergraduate studies, or two years of a two-year program or four years technical college studies. The deadline date for applications each year is May 1 and scholarship amounts awarded each year are the same for each student receiving assistance. Applications are reviewed, recipients selected, and funds disbursed by a home office committee with UCT Board of Governors oversight.

This year, scholarships of \$700 each were awarded to 26 students from the United States and Canada for a total of \$18,200. Generous donations totaling \$25,347.80 were received this year from regional councils, local councils, and individuals. The program is designed to be self-sufficient, and these scholarships are possible thanks to the contributions from individuals, local and regional councils, and memorials and gifts. All donations large and small are appreciated as they benefit the children and grandchildren of our members.



**Local and regional councils and individual members wishing to contribute to the Ann Marshall Scholarship Program may do so by sending a check made payable to UCT to: UCT, Attention: Anita Neal, 1801 Watermark Drive, Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43215. Make sure to include a note specifying that the donation is for the Ann Marshall Scholarship Program.**

**UCT local councils working toward the Medal of Honor Program may earn a point for contributing at least \$250 to this scholarship program.**



The scholarship guidelines and application are available on UCT's website under About Us/ Scholarships or by contacting **Anita Neal at 800.848.0123 x1100 or at [aneal@uct.org](mailto:aneal@uct.org)**. Also on that page are the guidelines and applications for the UCT Scholarship Program and the UCT Heaston Scholarship.

**As always, please contact Anita Neal at 800.848.0123 x1100 or at [aneal@uct.org](mailto:aneal@uct.org) with any questions or concerns.**

## Check out our Member Hub updates

Home office staff has been working to implement some suggestions for our new Member Hub that were presented to us at our 2022 UCT convention, and we're happy to report those updates have now been rolled out to members:



The **MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT** listed under the Resources Section on the Member Hub has been updated. This report, which is accessible to council officers, now lists member activity starting with the current membership year. When you access this report, you'll only see activity that has taken place since April 1, 2022. This report will reset with each new membership year. If you're wondering what we did with the old data...



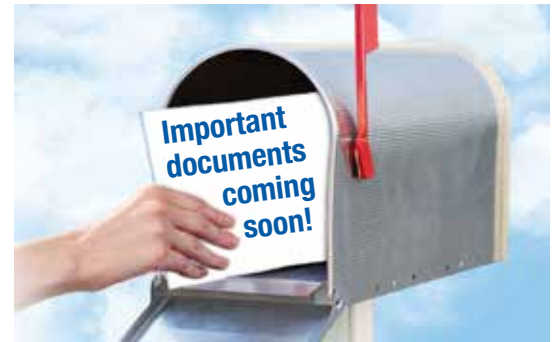
We've created the **HISTORICAL MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT**, which displays the previous membership year's activity. Depending on your level of access on the new member hub, you'll see these reports displayed like this under the Resources section.

We hope this helps. Let us know if you have questions!

# UCT program information coming soon!

Local council secretaries will soon be receiving a packet of materials from the UCT home office that includes information about the **UCT Safety Poster Contest, Join Hands Day, the Bridges of Friendship Award, and the local council newsletter contest rules**. Times are still a bit uncertain, and no one can say what the future might hold, but we plan to proceed as close to "normal" as possible.

In the packet, you will also find the 2022-2023 guidelines for the **Medal of Honor Program**. Though we hope the COVID restrictions that might make it difficult for councils to meet and perform community activities will continue to ease, we are still offering the reduced requirements and award amounts for this membership year. Due to the fact that such restrictions are making it difficult for some councils to attain new members, we are eliminating the fraternal membership gain requirement for this year for the silver level as well.



Last, but not least, you'll find copies of the **2022-2023 roster of regional and local councils**, the updated **UCT constitution**, the updated **UCT Media Guide** and **local and regional council guidelines**, and the **UCT fraternal directory** and list of **due dates for reports**. We realize we always overwhelm you with information in this mailing, but since we only mail materials a couple of times a year, we want to make sure we get as much as possible to you as we can.

Thank you for all that you do! Let us know what questions or concerns you might have by contacting **Linda Fisher at [lfisher@uct.org](mailto:lfisher@uct.org) or at 800.848.0123 x1130**.

## Watch for your local council activity reports

Hard as it is to believe, it will soon be time for us to send you the annual **local council activity report**. We know that even during these tough times our local councils have been busy volunteering for and donating money to local causes and charities, and we want to know the details about that!

This information is compiled each year by the home office and sent to the American Fraternal Alliance (AFA) to help with their attempts to keep UCT and ALL fraternal benefit societies tax exempt. If your council is engaged in community service – even if it's only one event per year – you need to complete the activity report and submit it to the home office by March 1 so we can share it with the AFA. Same goes for any charitable donations



you make. This information is crucial to the future of UCT and we thank you in advance for taking the time to share your activities with us.

**Local council activity reports are sent to all local council secretaries in December each year and are due at the home office by March 1. Contact **Linda Fisher at [lfisher@uct.org](mailto:lfisher@uct.org) or at 800.848.0123 x1130** with any questions.**

