



≡ The Catholic Women's League of Canada ≡

**Halifax Diocesan Council
Alice Egan Hagen Bursary
Revised March 12, 1995**

The Halifax Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada established the **annual \$500 Alice Egan Hagen Bursary** in 1982 in honour of their first president and distinguished Mount Saint Vincent alumna, Alice Egan Hagen.

The purpose of this award is to provide an opportunity for a C.W.L. member to upgrade her education. It is hoped that this positive experience will enrich her life and that of her family and community.

1. Criteria for selection will include the following:
 - Nova Scotia residency for at least 1 year
 - Involvement in church
 - Involvement in community
 - Intent to upgrade education
 - Need (e.g. financial)

Application forms are held by the Halifax Diocesan Education Convenor and may be sent out to interested persons on request.

All applications must be received on or before March 31st and the successful candidate will be notified by April 15th.

4. All applications are reviewed by the Diocesan Education Committee consisting of at least three from the following: President, Past President, Spiritual Advisor, Treasurer, and Education Convenor.
5. This bursary will be paid directly to the receiving institution of the successful candidate. The recipient is to notify the treasurer with invoice and student number.
6. This bursary will be awarded at the Annual Halifax Diocesan Convention Banquet.



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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street or Box Number

City/Town: _____ Postal Code _____ Phone _____

C.W.L. Council: _____

Education Institution Attending: _____

Course/Degree Studying: _____

Have Previously Received Bursary If yes, when? _____
yes no

Requirements

1. Letter of recommendation from C.W.L. President outlining involvement in the League.
2. Letter of recommendation outlining parish and/or community activities.
3. A short summary of educational goals and career aspirations.
4. Proof of registration (paid receipt) from the institute you are attending.
5. All forms must be received by the Diocesan Education Convenor before March 31,
6. Successful candidate must be available to attend as our guest at the Banquet of the Halifax Diocesan Annual Convention.

ALICE EGAN HAGEN

The great port of Halifax, open as it is during all seasons of the year, was experiencing the massive influx of immigrants entering the country at this time. Rev. Abbe Cosgrain, Port Chaplain at Quebec wrote to the Archbishop of Halifax, His Excellency, The Most Rev. E.J. McCarthy, asking that catholic women in Halifax be permitted and encouraged to organize a subdivision of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. His Excellency gave permission and Mrs. J.C. Hagen {Alice Egan} accepted the task and November 25 1919 at Mrs. Hagen's home the Halifax Subdivision came into being.

It is interesting to note that in June 1920 The National Council of the Catholic Women's League was formed with 7 sub-divisions. They were Halifax, Sherbrooke, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Regina, and Edmonton.

On Thursday March 14 1922 at the home of Mrs. Hagen the first meeting of the Halifax Diocesan Council was held with representation from the sub-divisions of Yarmouth and Windsor in attendance. Mrs. Hagen was the first President and held the office for 2 years.

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