

About the Scholarship

Louise (Mrs. Oscar) Bocock was born in 1913 and lived in a house on Sixth Street in Austin, Texas, where a mighty oak tree grew in her back yard. Because of Louise Bocock's enduring desire to spread the work about crime prevention she was dubbed "Mother Superior" by her peers. She was respected by her peers for her knowledge and her presentation of that knowledge and her personality. In her early years she began public speaking on familiar topics as "Neighbors on Watch". She played a vital role in the groundwork of the 911 program and in the late 70's she traveled to Austin and testified before a legislative body on the importance of 911 in Corpus Christi and Texas. In 1976 she was recognized for her efforts in the "Hands Up" program at the 38th Texas Safety Conference and Exposition. She received awards and was recognized by the National Volunteer Activist Award, Corpus Christi and Kiwanis Club Appreciation and the Texas Crime Prevention Association awards for Honorable Mention, Outstanding Citizen and TCPA's most prestigious award the Glenn Connor Award and Life Membership status. Mrs. Bocock's enthusiasm blossomed when she became involved in Crime Prevention movement. (Material from Article by Steve Pierson in 1995).

The college scholarship will be awarded by the TCPA Executive Board of Directors to a college student taking criminal justice courses and is the child of a TCPA member in good standing. The university or college attended must be an accredited Texas school. Scholarship monies (\$500.00) five hundred dollars per semester will be forwarded to the school's financial aid office and not to the recipient. Scholarship nominees must meet Texas residency requirements for the school selected and a new application submitted each year.