

## Scholarship Opportunities Help Advance Women's Leadership Potential

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THE MONARCH CENTER for Women¢ Leadership Development practices what it asks others to do: mentor women to help advance their leadership potential. The newly established Center focuses on ‰elping women make it in a man¢ world,+offering a variety of virtual and onsite workshops that help women acquire the learning and skills to influence and guide others in today¢ business world. The Center offers a limited number of scholarships to attend its workshops to women who want to fulfill their leadership potential and are in the final years of undergraduate or graduate study at a regionally accredited university or who work or volunteer for a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Center founder, Merida L. Johns, PhD, says that an important part of the Centerc philosophy is women mentoring women. % s part of this philosophy we felt that offering workshop scholarships to women who are beginning or expanding their careers is an expression of ±nodeling the wayq for others,+says Johns. % and because of my active involvement in 501c3 organizations, I also know that women play an extraordinary part in the success of non-profits, but frequently their organizations dond have the financial resources to help them expand their leadership potential,+ adds Johns. % felt strongly that our scholarships should be expanded to women who are working or volunteering in 501c3 organizations.+

The Centerc teleclasses and workshop topics range from practical applications, such as team and meeting management to learning leadership practices that inspire and motivate others, encourage innovation, and provide energy to initiate and improve the businesses in which women work and communities in which they live.

The Center is now accepting applications for scholarships to its six-week Winter 2011 teleclass, Creating, Coaching, and Managing High-Powered Work Teams that begins February 23rd. Scholarship applications can be downloaded from the Centers website at <a href="http://www.themonarchctr.com/Women's%20Leadership%20Scholarship%20and%20Research%20Fund.htm">http://www.themonarchctr.com/Women's%20Leadership%20Scholarship%20and%20Research%20Fund.htm</a>

More information about the Center, its mission and offerings can be found at its website <u>www.TheMonarchCtr.com</u>.

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