

ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

ERICA T. SCHWENK FUND FOR FEMALE SAILORS

WHO WAS ERICA T. SCHWENK?

Although not a competitive sailor, Erica supported her husband Franz and his crew in their sailing activities at home and around Lake Ontario. Erica made sure that the crew of Umi Taka had food, drinks and anything necessary for fun sailing adventure. Erica was killed in the airline terrorism incident on Egypt Air Flight 990, October 31, 1999. In Erica's memory, Franz created the Erica T. Schwenk Fund for Female Sailors.

PURPOSE OF THE FUND

The Erica T. Schwenk Fund for Female Sailors has been established to promote the love of sailing and to enhance sailing skills for females of all ages. The Fund is to be used to support a female to make personal growth through sailing.

CRITERIA FOR AWARDS FROM THE FUND

The Fund is open to female members and non-members of Rochester Yacht Club.

The Fund can be used for, but is not limited to, scholarship funds to enhance sailing skills (sailing lessons), financial support for women sailors at regattas or other sailing events (e.g. travel costs, registration fees), and honorariums or other costs for speakers or educational programs.

APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCESS

To be the recipient of support from the Erica T. Schwenk Fund for Female Sailors, an applicant must complete an application form which includes the purpose for which the funds are being requested, the total amount requested, why the funds are needed by the recipient, and an itemized listing of funds expended. Please attach any brochures for the event, along with receipts for expenses paid. The Erica T. Schwenk Fund for Female Sailors will only reimburse expenses that have been previously paid by the applicant.

Applications can be obtained through the RYC office or website. Submit the completed application to the Rochester Yacht Club Business Office. The applications will be reviewed by the Board of the RYC Women's Association which will utilize expertise within the Club as needed. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

A log of all applications received will be maintained noting whether the request was funded and if so, how much was disbursed. This will provide the RYC Women's Association with a history of how the money is used and will serve as a benchmark in reviewing future applications.

SPENDING POLICY

The Erica T. Schwenk Fund for Female Sailors has been established through a generous donation. It is expected that this fund will grow and that the RYC Women's Association will promote both the receipt of donations as well as the disbursement of funds.

**THE ERICA T. SCHWENK FUND FOR FEMALE SAILORS
APPLICATION FORM**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Give detailed information regarding the purpose of this request, and an itemized listing of expenses incurred:

Why is it important for you to receive this financial support?

Submit this form, along with receipts for all expenses, to the RYC Business Office. If you become a recipient of these funds, please submit to the Business Office a brief summary of your experience to be published in *The Log* to encourage other female sailors.