Check out this great idea from Iowa State University . . .

The Iowa State University chapter of Material Advantage has the unique opportunity to give a scholarship to a worthy, active member. The scholarship is worth $500 and is to be used on tuition, house, and school supplies. Members do not have to apply for the scholarship directly; instead we are able to pick potential candidates through a general College of Engineering Scholarship form, which is something most students do every year. The scholarship money is taken from our chapter’s account. The chapter receives money for this scholarship and events by fundraising and through donations from faculty members. The most successful fundraising activity done by the chapter is weekly Pizza Sales, which raises $350 on average weekly.

The scholarship recipient is decided in a two-step process. First, the executive committee comes up with a list of five or so candidates that they feel are eligible to receive the award. The list is then given to a faculty committee and they decide who should win the award. The scholarship is presented to the winner at the annual MSE Spring Awards Banquet.

There are few restrictions on those who are eligible to receive the award but the scholarship is meant to recognize an active member of the chapter who has gone above and beyond as a member, and has participated in many events.

To be eligible:

- Members must have filled out the general COE scholarship form
- Member must not be on the executive committee
- Member must have paid dues
- Student must be continuing as an undergraduate the next semester

For more information on this great program, contact Laura Van Steenhuyse at Iowa State: Lauravan@iastate.edu.