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# Combres wins UCT scholarship

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Geri Y. Combres of North Battleford has been awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Order of United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) to continue her studies in the field of special education.

Miss. Combres has graduated from a rehabilitation worker diploma course at Kelsey Institute. Her goal is to become a special education teacher at the elementary school level.

Since 1961, UCT has provided more than \$2.7 million in scholarship grants to more than 8,000 persons pursuing certification or advanced degrees in special education of the mentally retarded. In 1993, 318 students received grants totalling \$175,000.

UCT is a nonprofit fraternal benefit society more than 100 years old. The Order continues to pursue several civic service activities, including programs for youth, cancer education and prevention, public safety, drug awareness, and aid to mentally handicapped citizens. UCT twice joined the ranks of other major corporate sponsors by pledging \$250,000

to both the 1987 and 1991 International Summer Special Olympic Games.

Also, UCT became the first corporate sponsor of the Canadian Winter Special Olympic Game in 1988 with a pledge of \$40,000. UCT members support the Special Olympics program at the local, state and regional levels as well. The Order also has an International Junior Golf program for boys and girls aged 8 through 11.

With a total membership of approximately 130,000, UCT has about 540 local councils in 47 states, the District of Columbia and all 10 provinces in Canada.

Top officers of UCT's North Battleford Council 645 are Senior Counselor (president) Marcel A. Baert of North Battleford and Secretary-treasurer Don A. Salie of North Battleford.



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*United Commercial Travellers secretary/treasurer Don Salie, left, and scholarship committee chairman Jim Hill, right, present a cheque for \$500 to UCT scholarship winner Geri Combres of Battleford who recently graduated from Kelsey Institute's two-year Rehabilitation Worker Diploma program and plans to further her education in the field and become a special education teacher.*

