

ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS ASSOCIATION of W. PA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Association of Western Pennsylvania offers two different Scholarship Awards during the year. (These are not to be confused with the Pennsylvania Odd Fellow-Rebekah Scholarship Fund.) The scholarships being offered are as follows:

1. The Undergraduate Scholarship
 - a. Offered to four (4) students in the amount of \$3000 each.
 - b. Applicant must be attending full-time an accredited college/univ.
 - c. Application period usually runs from April thru June.
2. The Graduate Scholarship
 - a. Offered to two (2) students in the amount of \$3000 each.
 - b. Applicant must be a college graduate continuing his/her education or enrolled in a degree program requiring more than four years to complete.
 - c. Application period usually runs from September thru November.

The above Scholarships have been brought into existence to benefit present and hopefully, future members of the Order. The objective of each is to assist any deserving applicant in securing a Music Education Degree, Teaching Degree, or a Health Related Field Degree above the high school/ college level. Note: One of the requirements for both Scholarships is that the applicant or a living family member must be a member of the I.O.O.F. or Rebekahs of Western Pennsylvania.

**ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS
ASSOC. of W.PA
2019 Scholarship Award**

The *Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Association of Western Pennsylvania* is accepting applications for consideration in the awarding of a maximum of **four (4)** - \$3,000 awards. The application deadline for the 2019 Scholarship Award will be **June 28, 2019**. A copy of the "Rules," along with an "Application," was sent to all the lodges representing the Western District on April 1, 2019. An important reminder regarding two of the requirements for the Award: 1) The applicant or a living family relative must be a member of the I.O.O.F. or Rebekahs of Western Pennsylvania, and 2) The applicant, having completed at least one year of college, must be a full-time Music Major, Education Major, or majoring in a Health Care related field.

If interested in obtaining a copy of the "Rules" and an "Application," contact Chairman Robert Grant @ 724-483-8875 or email him at "robag@comcast.net." This information is also available on our website at "glpaioof.org"..... (About/Benefits/OFRA of W,PA Scholarship Award).

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Association of Western Pennsylvania

2019 Scholarship Award Rules

- 1. Four \$3,000.00 awards have been brought into existence to benefit present and hopefully, future members of the Order. The objective is to assist any deserving applicant in securing a Music Education Degree, Teaching Degree, or a Health Related Fields Degree above the high school level.**
- 2. Applicant or a living family relative must be a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows or Rebekahs of Western Pennsylvania and attending full-time as an undergraduate student at an accredited college/university.**
- 3. Applicant must complete all information requested on the application and**
 - a) Present three (3) written recommendations.....**
 - i. High school faculty member(s), and/or**
 - ii. College/university faculty member(s), and/or**
 - iii. Representative(s) of a community service organization**

Note: Please contact the persons from whom you are requesting recommendation letters and send their contact information along with your application.
 - b) Provide a transcript(s) from the previous years(s) of college attendance.**
 - c) Submit copies of IRS W-2 forms parent(s)/guardian(s) and applicant along with any other financial aid, scholarships, and awards which applicant has received.**
 - d) Attach any unusual family and/or personal circumstances that applicant feels may warrant attention in demonstrating the need for this award.**
- 4. Applicant must be considered a full-time student majoring in Music Education, Teacher Education, or a Health Related Field; have completed at least one year of college; and provide the name and address of the college/university they are presently attending.**

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5. Applicant agrees that the Award is to be applied toward tuition, the purchase of books/supplies, and/or room and board. An Awards check will be sent directly to the recipient's school of choice.
6. Applicant has earned an overall academic record of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
7. Applicant should be an active participant in his/her community and church.
8. Applicant shall present a written essay of at least 500 words on "Why I May Consider Membership in the Odd Fellows or Rebekahs of PA."
9. Applicant must be willing to appear before the Association's Board of Directors and/or the Scholarship Award Committee, if requested.
10. Applicant shall consent to have photographs taken of the award presentation with the committee and/or representatives of the IOOF.
11. Applications must be received by June 28, 2019. The Scholarship Award Committee shall have the sole responsibility in selecting the Award recipient(s) based on the above guidelines.

If possible, please submit a passport sized photo of yourself.

Please mail completed application and enclosures to:

**Mr. Robert Grant
Scholarship Award Chairman
40 Cypress Way
Charleroi, PA 15022-3331**