

Frieda Riggs Scholarship for 2018

To the applicant: The Eastchester Historical Society is proud to offer a scholarship in the memory of a dedicated member of the Society whose passion for the town's local history inspired us all. The \$250 scholarship is awarded to a *Bronxville High School* student who shows active participation in various school and community related programs related to history, political science, debate, law, economics, documentaries, and related disciplines. Applicants are requested to provide the following information as completely as possible.

Name

Phone

Address

Activities and/or Projects that display a passion for history, political science, debate, law, economics, documentaries and related disciplines (This also includes projects or papers written in High School)

Activity and/or Project

Year(s) of Participation

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Essay Component:

One hundred years victory in the First World War would not have been possible without American intervention. Over 4 million Americans fought in the conflict and 137,000 died. Without their sacrifice, the principles enumerated in Wilson's 14 points of international cooperation, free trade, self-determination, and an end to colonialism would never have become a reality.

What made the patriotism of those who fought even more meaningful was the ghastly nature of this conflict. Nerve gas, machine guns, long range artillery, land mines, submarines, and airplanes made killing easier and more impersonal. On the home front American women provided everything imaginable to support the soldiers over there along with taking over jobs formerly done by men. In Europe, nurses and ambulance drivers ministered to the sick and wounded. And when the soldiers came home from being over there, veteran organizations were set up both in our community and all over the country to honor those who fought.

On a separate piece of paper, write a letter of appreciation of no more than 500 words and/or a maximum of 5 paragraphs to a local soldier, sailor, pilot, nurse, ambulance driver, organizer of a veteran's post, or citizen volunteer

The best essay will be selected by a board composed of members of the Eastchester Historical Society who will judge the essay on the basis of historical insight, use of supporting evidence, and clarity of expression.

Your completed application includes: a) This completed application form

b) Your letter of appreciation of no more than 500 words and/or 5 paragraphs

Mail your completed application by May 18, 2018 to: Anmarie Flannery, 77 Tuckahoe Avenue, Eastchester, New York 10709