

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

BARBARA M OLEJNICKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

PURPOSE

The Department of Illinois Marine Corps League provides an annual educational scholarship award to a qualified High School student who plans to attend college in pursuit of an undergraduate degree or to attend a school with programs for vocational training and certification. This annual scholarship provides financial assistance in the amount of \$1000 into a school account for the selected recipient to assist with tuition and/or books.

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

Applicants should submit an essay on an event or activity that demonstrates the Marine Corps motto *Semper Fidelis* ("Always Faithful"). This can be a local or national news account, a public affair, or a personal story.

The essay must be 300-350 words, double spaced, in a 12 point font.

The use of correct grammar, punctuation, and spelling will be taken into consideration. It is important that you communicate your thoughts clearly.

Essays will be scored on creativity, content appropriateness, and clarity of the story.

ELIGIBILITY

- ◆Applicants must be family of members in good standing of the Illinois Marine Corps League or Illinois Marine Corps League Auxiliary.
- ◆This includes regular members, (USMC veterans, Navy FMF Corpsmen, Navy Chaplains) associate members, members at large, and auxiliary members.
- ◆Applicants must be currently enrolled in and attending any high school and reside in Illinois.
- ◆Applicants must provide an official transcript from the high school.
- ◆Applicants must have a GPA of C+ or better to be considered.
- ◆Applicants must provide a letter of acceptance from the college or vocational training center they plan to attend.
- ◆Applicants must be US citizens.

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- 1. Write your essay.
- 2. Complete your application.
- 3. Obtain your High School transcript.
- 4. Copy your letter of acceptance from the school you are planning to attend.
- 5. Assemble all of your paperwork and mail with the essay to:

Mrs. Victoria Cobbett

733 Singer Avenue

Lemont, IL 60439-3912

ATTN: IL MCL scholarship

or

6. Email as an attachment all the paperwork and essay to:

To: v.cobbett@comcast.net

Subject: Dept IL MCL 2023 Scholarship

Online submissions will be accepted or submissions may be printed and mailed by postal service.

Submissions must be postmarked by 1 March of the current year if mailed by postal service or submissions may be emailed and **Received** by 1 March 11:59 PM (2359).

- ◆You may list extra curricular activities on an additional sheet, if needed.
- ◆Work programs during school for any vocational education should be listed.
- ◆All essays become property of the Department of Illinois Marine Corps League Scholarship Committee.
- ◆Questions? Email: v.cobbett@comcast.net

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BARBARA M OLEJNICKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT NAME: LAST FIRST MIDDLE ADDRESS: STREET CITY STATE 7IP PHONE E-MAIL ADDRESS: DATE OF BIRTH: CUMULATIVE GPA HIGH SCHOOL STREET ADDRESS CITY STATE PHONE EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: NAME AND ADDRESS OF ACCREDITED COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOL YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO: INSTITUTION NAME: ADDRESS: STREET CITY STATE PHONE STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER___ MARINE CORPS/MCL AFFILIATION MEMBER NAME: _____RELATIONSHIP_____ MCL DETACHMENT NAME/NUMBER: I understand that the decision of the Scholarship Fund Committee is final, and that the information contained in this application and accompanying documentation will be kept totally confidential and strictly for determining the qualifications of the applicant. Ap-

the accompanying documentation is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. All information contained in this application and plications become the sole property of the Department of Illinois Marine Corps League Scholarship Committee. It is my understanding that if awarded this scholarship, it must be used toward payment of tuition and/or books only.

SIGNATURE DATE