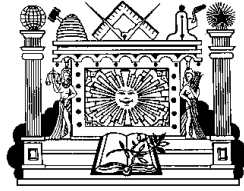


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JEFFERSON D. TUFTS, SR. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

October 29, 2015

To: All Grand Masters and Grand Worthy Matrons
From: The Jefferson D. Tufts, Sr. Scholarship Committee

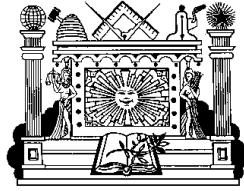
Enclosed is a copy of the information needed to apply for a scholarship from the Jefferson D. Tufts Sr. Scholarship Fund Committee.

Please adhere to the following procedures:

1. Each Grand Master and Grand Worthy Matron is to send a copy of the criteria and application form to all subordinate Lodges and Chapters. (The forms are also located on the website at www.mwnationalgrandlodge.org)
2. Only copies of original applications are to be used; altered or retyped applications forms will not be considered.
3. The Grand Worthy Matron will review and send completed applications to the Grand Master. He will also review and sign off on each application for completeness.
4. All applications are to then be mailed to PNGM Clyde Shepard, 501 Burke Dr. #419 Hinesville, GA 31313 or scanned and email to jdscholarship@gmail.com

Enclosed: (6)

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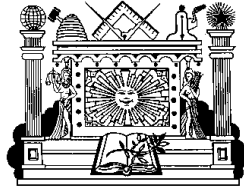
PNGM Clyde L. Shepard, 33^o National Chairman, PGM Charles Butler, 33^o, Committee Member
Sis. Vester Cain , Committee Member, Sis. Peggy Harrison, Committee Member, Sis. Cathy Thomas,
Committee Member, and Sis. Shirlonda Hambrick-Shepard, Committee Member.

The Jefferson D. Tufts, Sr. Scholarship Committee will award scholarships to eligible students at the Grand Masters and National Department Head Workshop and Triennial Session in July. The purpose of the Jefferson D. Tufts, Sr. Scholarship is to provide financial assistance for attendance at a higher institution of learning to needy and/ or deserving high school graduates. These scholarships are awarded to qualified applicants regardless of race, religion, creed, or area of study. All awarded Scholarship will be paid directly to the Register's Office at the recipient's college or university following notification by the Registrar.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

- Must be high school graduate or have a G.E.D.
- A cumulative G.P.A of 2.5 or higher based on the 4.0 Grading Scale.
- Recommendation letter from a current teacher, guidance counselor or community member, etc.
- Must be accepted as full –time student (minimum of 12 semester hours or equivalent) at a two or four- year accredited college or university during the fall semester of the year in which the application is submitted.
- If presently enrolled, must pass at least 12 semester hours with at least a 2.5 cumulative as evidence by grades submitted to the scholarship committee.
- Must submit a typed essay limited to no less than 400 words and no more than 500 words on the topic “ *How can I Utilize My Education to Improve Myself, Community and Nation.* “
- Application must be typed and neat. The completed application along with a photo must be attached to the essay. Incomplete applications or no photo will automatically be disqualified. All applications will be evaluated by the committee using weighted scoring in the areas of: completeness and neatness of application, letters of recommendation, essay, extra curriculum activities, and defined academic goals.
- All entries must come through the local OES Chapter or Masonic Lodge.
- The basis for scoring the application and essay will be a total of 100 points:
APPLICATION PRESENTATION.....10 Points
ESSAY SUBJECT MATTER30 Points
SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS.....10 Points
GRAMMAR (SENTENCE STRUCTURE, SPELLING, AND PUNCTUATION) 25 Points
RECOMMENDATION LETTER25 Points

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SUBMISSION PROCESS:

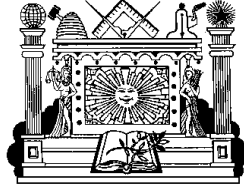
- The attached Application must be completely filled out and submitted to the Subordinate Lodge or Chapter on or **before May 1st**
- The Subordinate Lodge or Chapter must submit Applications to the Grand Worthy Matron /Grand Master on or **before May 25th.**
- The Grand Master must submit all Applications to the National Chairman on or before **June 15th.** Applications received after this date **will not be accepted.**

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH YOUR TYPED APPLICATION:

- Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment must be produced, if selected as recipient. Scholarship will go directly to institution to be applied to tuition costs.
- Most recent official high school or college transcript (SEALED) IF NOT SEALED WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
- Essay: "**How can I Utilize My Education to Improve Myself, Community and Nation**"
400 -500 words.
- Recommendation Letter.

NOTE: Only applications will be considered. The Scholarship Committee will select the recipients. The Committee's decision is final and can only be appealed to the National Grand Master.

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Name of College Attending: _____

College Major: _____

Parents/Guardian: _____

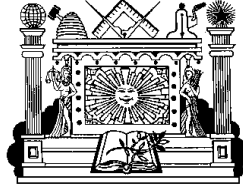
Lodge/Chapter: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Grand Worthy Matron Signature: _____ Date: _____

Grand Master Signature: _____ Date: _____

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What are your educational and professional goals?

List your academic honors, awards, and extracurricular activities in high school:

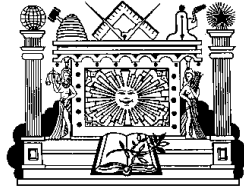
List your community service activities, hobbies, and outside interests:

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Jefferson D. Tufts Sr. scholarship program. I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment upon registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded. Funds will be presented directly to institution.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

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APPLICATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST	YES	NO
Application		
Essay Subject Matter		
Short Answer Questions		
Checked for Grammar		
Recommendation Letter		
Photo Included		
High School or College Transcript Included		
Signed off by Worthy Matron Date: _____		
Signed off by Grand Master Date: _____		