

2017
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc.

*“The world... can never forget what they did here...”
A. Lincoln, November 19, 1863, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania*

The Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry (WVI) Association began with the purpose of preserving America’s Civil War heritage through reenacting and performing “living history.”
We now also further that purpose by offering a scholarship to family members.

Background

The Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry (WVI) Association began with a handful of members in 1960 dedicated to the purpose of preserving America’s Civil War heritage through reenacting and performing “living history.” In 1990, the Unit was reestablished as a result of a general rekindling of interest in the Civil War. Through the use of authentic-styled uniforms and equipment, along with drills, battles, and camp life portrayals, we believe the general public might become more accurately aware and ponder what life might have been like for the average Northern soldier during America’s greatest trial. Further, and with great pride, the Unit attempts to depict and honor one of the greatest Union regiments to take to the field, the 2nd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment. With the 6th and 7th Wisconsin, the 19th Indiana, and later the 24th Michigan, they eventually became known as the famous “Iron Brigade” with their infamous “Black Hats.” The original men have long since concluded their Rendezvous with Destiny in such places as Bull’s Run Creek, Fredericksburg, the “Cornfield” near Antietam, and “McPherson’s Woods” at Gettysburg.

The Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc., in recognition of the importance of keeping this history alive in modern times, is proud to offer *two college scholarships*, with first-place receiving **\$1,000** and second-place receiving **\$500**, to current Association members, and relatives of Association members. The closing date for submission of an application is **Friday, June 2, 2017** - all applications must be post-marked by this date.

If you are the recipient of this scholarship, you will be notified by mail no later than Friday, June 30, 2017.

Eligibility

All of the following conditions must be met for consideration as a recipient of the 2017 Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc. Scholarship:

- You must be enrolled/accepted in an accredited College or University.
- You must list your intended field of study.
- You must be a member, or be related to a member, in good standing of the Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc. Civil War reenactors (Member, Child, Spouse, Grandchild, Niece, Nephew, Sibling).
- Attach a complete transcript of your grades (including cumulative Grade Point Average).
- Attach a listing of your non-academic activities (extra-curricular, volunteer/community work, club memberships with offices held, etc...).
- Attach a separate sheet, containing a short essay (500 words or less) on the following topic:
“Some Wisconsin soldiers changed their opinion of African-Americans during the course of the war. What experiences may have led to these changes?”

Once awarded, the funds can be used for tuition, books and fees at the College or University you are attending. The scholarship check will be made payable to you and your school.

Award Criteria

All applications will be evaluated on meeting the above requirements. The Second Wisconsin Association Scholarship Committee will make the selection of the scholarship winners.

Financial need is not a relevant consideration for this award.

All decisions made by the Committee are final.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

School enrolled/accepted for the 2017-2018 Academic Year:

Intended field of study:

Relationship to Second Wisconsin Association Member: _____

Please include all of the following when applying:

- Application Page
- Copy of your Grade/GPA Transcript
- List of extra-curricular/volunteer/club activities
- Essay (500 words or less):

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I will provide a photograph of myself if selected and authorize the publication of the photograph and the essay which I wrote for this scholarship. I also specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing other than the award of the scholarship.

Email address _____

Signed _____

Date _____, 2017

Mail to:

2nd Wisconsin Association 2017 Scholarship Selection Committee
Attn: Dave Sielski, Association Secretary
2316 Serenade Lane
Green Bay, WI 54301

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