

Desert Fjord Lodge 6-133 Sons of Norway Scholarship Application

BACKGROUND AND GUIDELINES

This scholarship is made possible by a generous gift from the Agnes Stieler estate. This scholarship makes use of the interest and dividends generated by the investment of this gift in the Sons of Norway Desert Fjord Scholarship Fund of the Agnes Stieler Scholarship Fund account #6133-002. This is intended to be used by a student to participate in a Scandinavian cultural awareness program e.g. the Oslo University International Summer School. This scholarship totals \$1,000 and is based on the earnings of this investment.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP

- a) To promote the educational and cultural growth of the recipient.
- b) To encourage cultural exchange with Scandinavian countries.
- c) To promote people to people enrichment programs.
- d) To improve international relationships.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

This is to be awarded to an undergraduate student who has been accepted at the school of their choice for that particular year.

The applicant must be a high school or GED graduate who is now enrolled in a post-secondary college or university. Must have a grade point average in the first year of post secondary schooling of 2.5 or higher (A=4) in the previous school year. The successful applicant must be interested in Scandinavian culture and heritage.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA?

- Based on grade point average / academic potential.
- Graduate of secondary school and now enrolled in post-secondary school.
- Active lodge membership of applicant or sponsor.
- Work / volunteer activities in school or community.
- Letters of recommendation.
- Written essay (250 words or less)

HOW TO APPLY

Please complete and submit the attached form, a letter of recommendation from a teacher, supervisor or academic representative, a letter of recommendation

from your Desert Fjord sponsor and an essay of 250 words or less explaining why the applicant wants to attend this program and detailing their intent to share this educational opportunity with others. The Desert Fjord Lodge asks that the successful recipient plan on providing a brief synopsis of their experience following that summer's session.

Any questions should be asked of the Foundation Director before an application is submitted. Incomplete application will not be accepted or considered.

Mail completed application to address below or hand-deliver to the lodge Foundation Director.

Desert Fjord Lodge
P O Box 1716
Scottsdale AZ 85252

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION

Application must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than March 1st to be considered for that calendar year. Applicant should retain a copy for his/her records.

HOW THE WINNER IS SELECTED

The Scholarship Committee makes the final determination of the winner. All applicants will receive written notification of the winner by May 1st.

SONS OF NORWAY SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Desert Fjord lodge awards up to two stipends of \$375 each for two campers to attend District 6's Camp Norge in Alta, California. An application for this is available on the Camp Norge website: www.campnorge.com.

Sons of Norway offers a number of scholarship opportunities at the district and national level. Applications for these scholarships are available on these websites: sofnaz.com or www.sofn.com.

Note: The Sons of Norway's Local Lodge Scholarship Guidelines provides additional information for the Lodge Foundation Director and Scholarship Committee in carrying out their duties.

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Awarded to an undergraduate student currently attending an accredited post secondary institution
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Desert Fjord Lodge Scholarship

The actual amount is based on the earnings of the Sons of Norway Desert Fjord Scholarship Fund of the Agnes Stieler Scholarship Fund Account #6133-002. The goal is to award a \$1,000 scholarship annually. The award will be made available to the recipient on or before May 1st of the application year.

General Information

Name (First, Middle, Last) _____

Current Address _____

Home Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Telephone _____ Birth Date _____

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX OR BOXES:

Sons of Norway Unge Venner Membership Number or Membership Number in a Lodge: Name and member number

Applicant is child / grandchild of this Sons of Norway member (in good standing for past 3 years):

Applicant's sponsor is this Sons of Norway Member (in good standing for past 3 years.):

Name, address and phone number of post secondary school you are currently attending:

Eligibility Requirements

1. Unge Venner member of Desert Fjord Lodge, member of Desert Fjord Lodge or a person sponsored by a current member, provided that such membership shall have been in effect for at least three years as of April 1 of the application year and that the sponsor's membership is in good standing.
2. Student attending an accredited American college or university.
3. Full-time undergraduate student who has completed at least one (1) term (quarter or semester) of studies.
4. College or University Grade Point Average (GPA) 2.5 or higher (A = 4.0).

Please include the following items in your application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Application form completed and signed.
2. Official transcript from the college or university you are attending, reflecting work completed to date.
3. Two letters of recommendation: One from a teacher or academic representative and one from your sponsor or lodge member.
4. Statement of activities in which you actively participated.
5. Sons of Norway activities, if any, in which you have been involved.
6. Written essay (250 words or less) explaining why you want to attend this program and detailing your intent to share this educational opportunity with others.

Due Date: Mail the above items to: Sons of Norway Desert Fjord Lodge, P O Box 1716 in Scottsdale, AZ 85252 **or hand deliver them** to the Lodge Foundation Director by the March 1st deadline.

This application form is downloadable at: www.desertfjord.org If you have questions, please contact the Foundation Director.

Your signature _____ Date _____

Application received by the Desert Fjord Scholarship Committee _____ Date _____