

## The Henry Wood Sportsman's Alliance Scholarship Fund

The Henry Wood Sportsman's Alliance has established the HWSA Scholarship Fund. The purpose of this scholarship award is to help finance the higher education of one graduating high school student from Henry County, Ohio and one graduating high school student from Wood County, Ohio, who desire to study and work in one of the academic fields described below. The Wood County scholarship shall be hereafter known as the "Thom Malone Memorial Scholarship".

The Henry Wood Sportsman's Alliance was formed in August 2014. The Mission Statement of the HWSA is:

- 1) the conservation of natural resources in order to manage the game, fish and other wildlife in its habitat in Henry and Wood Counties, along with surrounding areas;
  - 2) to promote and manage friendly relations with landowners and sportsmen;
  - 3) to cooperate in obtaining proper respect for and observation of fish and game laws;
- and
- 4) to create a lasting legacy to the outdoors through education, preservation, tradition and recreation.

In keeping with that Mission Statement, the HWSA has decided to offer a \$1,000 onetime scholarship to a graduating senior who is a resident of Henry County, Ohio and a \$1,000 one-time scholarship to a graduating senior who is a resident of Wood County, Ohio.

One (1) individual who (a) is graduating from a Henry County high school or (b) is a

resident of Henry County but will be graduating from a high school in a county adjoining Henry County will be selected annually to receive this scholarship award. In addition one (1) individual who (a) is graduating from a Wood County high school or (b) is a resident of Wood County but will be graduating from a high school in a county adjoining Wood County will be selected annually to receive this scholarship award.

The scholarship fund hopes to provide each student selected with an award of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be used toward their education.

To be eligible for consideration, the student must intend to select as his/her major field of collegiate study one (1) of the following:

1. Freshwater fisheries management or biology;
2. Wildlife management, conservation or biology;
3. Forestry, forest management, forest science or watershed management;
4. Outdoor park and recreation administration or management
5. Water or land resource management.

If the college or university of the student's choosing does not offer a bachelor's degree in the aforementioned major fields of study, then the following major fields of study will be acceptable, upon the conditions that the courses selected by the student indicate an interest in the applied or management area of the major field and meet the approval of the Scholarship Selection Committee:

1. Biology;
2. Zoology;

3. Botany;
4. Natural Resources;
5. Geology;
6. Geography

Application for this scholarship award shall consist of completing the attached Application Form and a potential interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.

As an examination of the Application Form will disclose, the criteria for selection of the scholarship recipient include the field of study of the applicant, the applicant's academic record, and extracurricular activities, activities outside of school, hobbies and collegiate and professional goals. Financial need is NOT one of the criteria.

By completing the Application Form, each applicant and his/her parent or guardian thereby consent to inspection of his/her high school academic transcript by the Scholarship Selection Committee and to the release of requested information and documentation by his/her high school administrator.

This is a one-time scholarship and is not renewable.

The Henry Wood Sportsman's Alliance Scholarship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email: \_\_\_\_\_

High School you attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

College or University you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

List all Academic Awards and Honors received during High School: \_\_\_\_\_

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List all Extracurricular Activities during High School: \_\_\_\_\_

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List all Activities outside of High School (Church, Civic, Charities, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

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List your hobbies and recreational activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please secure a letter of recommendation from your high school principal or guidance counselor and attach it to this application.

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On a separate page and in a minimum of 150 words, please state the goals you have set for yourself in regard to both your collegiate and professional careers. This essay is the main component in awarding this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of a Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\*SUBMIT THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS BY **MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2026** AND ASK YOUR COUNSELOR FOR A COPY OF YOUR ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT (INCLUDING YOUR CLASS RANK). Applications submitted without a transcript will NOT be considered.**

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P.O. Box 55  
Grand Rapids, Ohio 43522

You will be contacted regarding a personal interview, if necessary.