

2017 MANITOWOC COUNTY UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN AGRICULTURE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Manitowoc County UW-Agriculture Alumni Association Board is pleased to announce that several scholarships will be available for students from Manitowoc County enrolling in agriculture and life sciences majors at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Platteville, River Falls, Green Bay or Stevens Point. **Examples of eligible majors include traditional production agriculture majors like dairy science, soil science and agronomy. Other majors may also qualify including: biochemistry, genetics, molecular biology, forestry, horticulture, environmental science and more.** Scholarships for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Farm and Industry Short Course are also available. Scholarships for a degree program will be up to \$1,000 while scholarships for Farm and Industry Short Course will be up to \$500. The UW-Ag Alumni Association scholarship is also available to students transferring from a non-agriculture program to an agriculture program at one of the aforementioned colleges.

Second year students are eligible to apply for a scholarship. Preference will be given to first year applicants that meet the qualifications, however, if adequate scholarship dollars are available, qualified second year students may be eligible for a Manitowoc County University of Wisconsin Agriculture Alumni Association Scholarship.

Scholarship amounts will depend on the number of qualified applicants. These scholarships are made available through the cooperation and support of numerous businesses, organizations and individuals in Manitowoc County. The Board of Directors of the Manitowoc County UW-Agriculture Alumni Association will make the selections. All decisions are final.

Each applicant must return the attached application form to the Manitowoc County UW-Extension Office, c/o the "Manitowoc County UW-Agriculture Alumni Association", Attention: Scott Gunderson, P.O. Box 935, Manitowoc, WI 54221-0935, by April 1, 2017. The Selection Committee must also be provided with three letters of recommendation by that date. Instructions for those writing letters of recommendation are included on an attached sheet. Selection will be based on the application and the letters of recommendation.

The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage deserving young men and women to pursue further education to better equip them for the operation of a farm or to assume employment and leadership responsibilities in another phase of agriculture. Payment of the scholarship will be made to the institution after they have enrolled and started classes in the fall.

Electronic applications/guidelines are available at the following UW-Extension link: <http://manitowoc.uwex.edu/agriculture/scholarships>

For further information, contact the Manitowoc County UW-Extension Office at 683-4175 or email Scott Gunderson at scottgunderson@co.manitowoc.wi.us. Forms are also available from any Manitowoc County UW-Ag Alumni Board member including:

Dave Kappelman

Kevin Neeb

Adam Kolb

Mark Ulness

Katrina Pionek

Robb Bender

Advisor – Scott Gunderson, Manitowoc County UW-Extension Agriculture Agent

**MANITOWOC COUNTY UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
AGRICULTURE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____ Phone _____

A. High School Attended _____ Graduated on _____ GPA _____

B. Agricultural Experience:

Did you grow up on a farm? _____ Years spent on a farm _____

4-H Club Member _____ years FFA member _____ years

Summary of Project and/or Farming Program: _____

FFA Offices Held: _____

4-H Offices Held: _____

Honors and Awards Received: (FFA Degree) (Scholastic) (Leadership) (Achievement) (Special)
List all below:

C. Other activities in the school and community in which you participated:

D. Need: State briefly and specifically the facts which make the scholarship necessary. (Be specific.)

E. What school are you planning to attend? _____

Have you been accepted? _____

Major or degree sought _____

Application Form and letters of reference must be received at the UW-Extension Office by **April 1, 2017** or the application may be rejected.

Typed applications are strongly encouraged.

Selection Committee decisions are final.

Signature of Applicant
(Unsigned applications will be disqualified)

When necessary to expand any item beyond spaces provided above, attach a separate sheet of paper.

Scholarship application form is to be returned by **April 1, 2017** to:

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c/o Manitowoc County UW-Ag Alumni Association
Attn: Scott Gunderson
4319 Expo Drive
P.O. Box 935
Manitowoc, WI 54221-0935

Electronic versions of this application may be obtained by e-mailing Scott Gunderson at the following address:
scottgunderson@co.manitowoc.wi.us

To Those Writing Recommendations for Scholarship Applicants:

Your letter of recommendation for a scholarship applicant for the Manitowoc County University of Wisconsin Agriculture Alumni Association Scholarship will be of great value to the Selection Committee. It is the desire of the committee to award these scholarships to the most deserving and promising candidates. In writing your recommendation, it would help the Selection Committee if you would **include statements regarding the applicant's character, his or her standing in the community, need, and your judgment as to the likelihood of success in future schooling.**

Because of recent changes in laws relating to student records, the student may have an opportunity, at some time in the future, to examine your letter. Please send to: Manitowoc County UW-Extension Office, c/o Manitowoc County UW-Ag Alumni Association, P.O. Box 935, Manitowoc, WI 54221-0935. **All letters must be post-marked by April 1, 2017.**

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