

2016 - 2018 GFWC/IOWA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Dear Club Presidents,

It is time to begin working on our statewide scholarship program. Scholarship awards are based on achievement, financial need, and volunteerism.

Low interest rates on investments and declining membership have limited the number of scholarships that can be awarded. Therefore, it is important that club members consider giving to the scholarship program from their club budgets. The scholarship committee congratulates the clubs in Iowa for their past contributions and looks forward to their continued generous support this year.

This packet contains all of the information you need to promote the scholarship program in your local schools. Page 24 in the 2016-2018 BLUEBOOK gives important general information also. However, there have been changes made to the GFWC/Iowa Scholarships as listed in the bluebook.

Please take the following steps:

- Along with your club scholarship chairman, carefully read the enclosed information, and then make an extra copy to keep for reference.
- When you have familiarized yourself with these materials, **complete the club information at the bottom of the Letter to High School Guidance Counselor and on the back of the Scholarship Application. Please note that the District Scholarship Chairmen and their names and addresses are included on the back of this page. This information is very important and must be included.**
- Take the Scholarship Packet to your High School Guidance Counselor or Administrator as soon as possible. Meet with them personally, if possible, and go over the material, answering any questions they may have. You may also take applications to Home School teachers in your area.
- Please stress the February 1, 2017, mailing deadline.
- If the applicant is unknown to a club member, set up an interview with an applicant, and then prepare a letter of recommendation. Be sure your letter includes the name of the sponsoring club.

Note that our scholarship also includes college graduate study. This information should be shared with club members, area colleges, or professionals returning to school. The applications are to be sent to four-year colleges or universities in Iowa. Applicants for graduate study only do not need to be sponsored by a local club, and the applications will be sent directly to GFWC/Iowa headquarters to be judged by the District Scholarship Chairmen. The state scholarship chairman will send an application to the University of Iowa, Drake University in Iowa, and (Marquette University in Milwaukee, WI in compliance with stipulations of the Phyllis Hughes estate). If you would like to send applications to colleges by email (other than Phyllis Hughes Scholarship), contact the college for information. You may ask your District Scholarship Chairman or me to forward the applications to you by email in order for you to download and send them electronically. A separate application form is included for the Phyllis Hughes Memorial, a law school scholarship, and the Clubwoman Scholarship, a GFWC/Iowa Club member scholarship for undergraduate or graduate study. Separate Music Campship Applications are also included.

Your District Scholarship Chairman will be glad to help you with any questions. Scholarship judging will take place the end of March, and the applicants will be notified immediately following. Scholarship checks will be sent to the student/college **AFTER the student is enrolled in the Fall 2017 term and sends proof of registration to GFWC/IOWA Headquarters**. Unless specified, male and female students are eligible.

Thank you for your ongoing support of this important program.

Yours in Federation,

Karen Martinek
GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Chairman
karengfwc@gmail.com 319-624-3835

DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMEN

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Clubs from Adel, Creston, Granger, Leroy, and Winterset

IMPORTANT!! Club Presidents:

DO NOT TAKE THE SCHOLARSHIP FORM TO THE SCHOOLS UNTIL YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR CLUB AND DISTRICT INFORMATION ON THE LETTER TO THE HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR AND THE SECOND PAGE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.

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TO: High School Guidance Counselors
FROM: Karen Martinek, GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Chairman

The GFWC/IOWA Federation of Women's Clubs is the proud sponsor of a scholarship program that is unique to the state of Iowa. Each year, thousands of dollars are given to graduating Iowa High School seniors who will attend Iowa post-secondary schools. Scholarship awards are based on achievement, financial need, and volunteerism. Unless specified, both male and female students are eligible.

Attached please find the application form for interested seniors. Please note: the applicant must be sponsored by a GFWC/Iowa Women's Club member. Contact the Club Representative listed below for club sponsorship, if the student is unacquainted with a club member. We encourage you to work with the representative delivering this packet to your school to ensure that all applications are complete prior to mailing by the **February 1, 2017, deadline**. The name of your local club representative appears at the bottom of this page.

Thank you for your assistance in making this information available to those interested. We look forward to working in partnership with you on behalf of Iowa's youth.

Sincerely,

Karen Martinek
GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Chairman
karengfwc@gmail.com
319/624-3835

Club Name _____ **District** _____

Club Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

District Scholarship Chairman _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

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GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Information Sheet
Application Deadline February 1, 2017

The GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Committee administers a number of scholarships to Iowa students in Iowa colleges and universities. This money is paid to the student/college by check, after she/he has provided registration documentation to the GFWC/Iowa State Headquarters Office for the Fall Term in the year the scholarship is awarded. The number of each scholarship awarded is determined by the amount of money contributed by clubs, proceeds from special fund-raising projects, and interest from investments on memorial scholarships. GFWC/Iowa Scholarships are based on achievement, financial need, and volunteerism.

GFWC/IOWA Scholarships 2016-2018

1.	GFWC/Iowa's President's Special Scholarship (even numbered years only)		
2.	E. Lucille Miller Memorial Music Scholarship (Undergraduate)	\$1,000	Open to a graduating senior majoring in Music at an accredited four year Iowa college or university.
3.	GFWC/Iowa Scholarship (Undergraduate and Graduate) (Multiple to be Awarded)	\$1,000	Open to a student enrolled in Undergraduate or Graduate studies attending an accredited four year Iowa College or University.
4.	Community College Scholarship (Community College or Technical School) (Multiple to be Awarded)	\$500	Open to a graduating senior attending an Iowa community college or accredited technical school.
5.	Clubwoman Scholarship (Undergraduate or Graduate)	\$500	Open to a GFWC/Iowa Clubwoman with an active membership status for Undergraduate Study, Graduate Study, or CEUs.
6.	Phyllis Hughes Memorial Scholarship (Law School)	\$1, 500	Open to a woman from Iowa to study law at the University of Iowa, Drake University or with preference given for attendance at Marquette University in Wisconsin.

Directions for Applicants

Dear Student:

Applicants should collect all necessary materials; organize them in order of the checklist found on the second page of the application, and **mail ALL pages of the scholarship application and required information in one envelope to the appropriate DISTRICT chairman.** The District chairman's name and address for your district should already be completed for you. The FAFSA is now using last year's tax information so you can submit that now at any time.

All information is confidential. Your personal letter should include your goals, your accomplishments, community volunteerism, and a general description of your family, including financial considerations. GFWC/IOWA scholarship awards are based on achievement, financial need, and volunteerism.

Please remember that a late or incomplete application will be rejected. **CHECK ALL MATERIAL CAREFULLY. February 1, 2017, IS THE MAILING DEADLINE.** A February 1st postmark will be accepted. Please use the correct amount of postage; or the post office may return your packet, resulting in a missed deadline.

If you have any questions concerning the application process, you may contact the District chairman, the Club's contact person, (both of these are listed on the second page of your Application form), or me (319/624-3835) Karengfwc@gmail.com. Best wishes for your future education.

Sincerely,

Karen Martinek
GFWC/Iowa Scholarship Chairman

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
(Undergraduate and Graduate Studies)

PLEASE FILL OUT BOTH PAGES
Application Deadline February1, 2017

I am applying for the _____ scholarship.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: (include area code) _____ Email _____

Undergraduate Study Applicants Only:

High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Iowa College, University, Community College or Technical School you plan to attend: _____ City: _____

Major: _____ Estimate of College Expenses per year _____

ACT or SAT Composite Score (If Available) _____

High School Grade Point Average _____ Class Rank _____ Number in Class _____

Annual Family Adjusted Gross Income (Income Tax) _____

Number in family including Father (yes, no) Mother (yes, no) _____ Number of dependent children _____

Number of family members that will be attending college (including yourself) _____

For Graduate Study Applicants Only:

Date of College Graduation _____ College/University _____

Major _____ Grade Point Average _____ Degree Earned _____

Write a one page letter with information on your college activities and future plans including financial need. Send this application directly to the GFWC/Iowa Headquarters at the above address by February1, 2017.

Statement of Intent:

If I am awarded a scholarship from the GFWC/IOWA Federation of Women's Clubs, I understand that I will be expected to forfeit the scholarship if for any reason I do not continue my education. A change in major or post-secondary institution may void such an award. Such changes should be immediately reported to GFWC/IOWA Headquarters for review. I also understand that any money not used for schooling must be returned.

Signature of Applicant

Checklist for Completed Application:

Attach Photo Here

(Mail all materials in one packet to the DISTRICT Scholarship Chairman by **February 1, 2017**.)

___ Completed Application Form

___ Personal Letter (Typed) – A personal letter from the applicant telling something about herself/himself, the reason for her/his application, goals, accomplishments, employment, community involvement, a general description of your family, and other pertinent information he/she may want to include.

___ Two letters of Recommendation (school, employer, community leader)

___ Letter of Sponsorship from local GFWC/Iowa Woman’s Club member

___ Copy of most recent transcript

___ Copy of Returned FAFSA (Free Application of Federal Student Aid)
(not necessary for Vocational/Tech Scholarship, Clubwoman Scholarship or graduate study scholarships)

___ Self-addressed, STAMPED envelope

___ Small photo with your name on the back

Late or incomplete applications will be disqualified

Name of Sponsoring Club: _____

Club Contact Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email _____ Phone # _____

Club Contact Signature _____

Mail to District Scholarship Chairman: *Deadline for application is February 1, 2017*

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email _____ Phone # _____

GFWC/IOWA MUSIC CAMPSHIPS
Application Deadline February 1, 2017

Dear Club President,

Each year GFWC/IOWA sponsors several music campship awards to deserving 8-12 grade students (Students that will have graduated from the 7th grade). These awards may be applied toward tuition, room, and board at a summer music camp within Iowa. Campships are awarded in the amount of \$400. Award recipients are responsible for the balance of their costs.

Because of the generous gift from the Lucille Miller estate and club donations, we are able to award more music campships annually. With dedication on the part of our GFWC/Iowa members to promote this program, more students are able to attend the summer music campships.

Be sure to fill in the name of your club, club's contact name, mailing address, email address, and phone number. Also, fill in the name, mailing address, email address, and phone number of your district scholarship chairman on the Music Campship Application Form.

Give a copy to the 8-12 grade school instrumental and vocal music educators at your school and private music teachers that you know in your community. Make as many copies as needed.

Set up an interview with an applicant, if applicant is unknown to a club member, and then prepare a letter of recommendation. Be sure to have the application completed and postmarked by February 1, 2017.

Your District Scholarship Chairman (listed on the bottom of the Music Campship Application form) will be glad to help you with any questions. Judging will take place in March, and applicants will be notified immediately. **Music Camp checks will be mailed to you after proof of registration is mailed to GFWC/Iowa Headquarters.**

Thank you for your continued support of the Music Campship Program.

Yours in Federation,

Karen Martinek
GFWC/IOWA Scholarship Chairman
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Attach Photo Here (with name on back)

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GFWC/IOWA SUMMER MUSIC CAMPSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Campships in the amount of \$400 may be used for tuition and room and board for camps within Iowa. Application Deadline February 1, 2017

Applicant's Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____ Phone # (with area code) _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Age _____ Year in School _____

Music Experience (specify type of experience and number of years) _____

Name of Music Camp applicant plans to attend (must be located in Iowa) _____

(Confirmation of registration is not required at this time.) If known, please include the following

Dates of Camp _____ Cost _____ Registration Deadline _____

Applications must be accompanied by the following letters:

- Letter of recommendation from a Music Teacher (public school or private lessons)
Letter of sponsorship from your local GFWC/IOWA Woman's Club
A Personal Letter from the applicant telling something about herself/himself, the reason for her/his application, musical ambitions, and any other pertinent information you may want to include.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

If I am awarded a music campship from GFWC/IOWA Federation of Women's Clubs and am unable to attend the camp of my choice, I will notify GFWC/IOWA Headquarters so that an alternate may attend and will refund any money received from GFWC/Iowa.

Signature of Applicant _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Name of Sponsoring Club _____

Club Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____ Phone # _____

Mail completed application with three accompanying letters and a SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE in one packet to the following District Scholarship Chairman:

Name of District Scholarship Chairman _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____ Phone _____

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Clubwoman Scholarship - \$500.00
Application Deadline February 1, 2017

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email _____

GFWC/Iowa Active Club Membership: _____

Major: _____

School you plan to attend: _____

City _____

Personal Statement - Write a page explaining the following:
How could the GFWC/Iowa scholarship be useful to you?
Include information about your GFWC club involvement.

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

If I am awarded a scholarship from the GFWC/Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs, I understand that I will be expected to forfeit the scholarship if for any reason I do not continue my education.

Signature of Applicant _____

Please note: applications must be postmarked by February 1, 2017

Send application to:
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To: College graduates entering Law School
From: Karen Martinek, GFWC/Iowa Scholarship Chairman

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is a diverse and supportive network of women in all fifty states and in more than a dozen other countries. GFWC has more than 100,000 members in 3,200 clubs worldwide. GFWC is dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. GFWC has helped women improve their communities and expand their own opportunities since 1890 and remains one of the strongest and most influential women's volunteer service organizations in the country.

The GFWC/Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs is the proud sponsor of the Phyllis Hughes Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1500 to a woman studying Law in her first, second or third year of the program. The scholarship is nonrenewable, awarded only once to each winner.

The applicant must be a woman from Iowa (grew up in Iowa) and enrolling in Law School at the University of Iowa, Drake University in Iowa or with preference given to Marquette University in Wisconsin.

Scholarship awards are based on achievement and financial need.

The scholarship check will be paid to the student/university for the fall term in the year that the scholarship is awarded. A receipt of registration documentation must be sent to GFWC/Iowa Headquarters Office in order to receive the scholarship check.

Please fill out the attached registration form and send to:
GFWC/Iowa Headquarters
3839 Merle Hay Rd. Suite 201
Des Moines, IA 50310

Applications must be postmarked by **February 1, 2017**.

If you have questions, please contact me by phone or e-mail.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Phyllis Hughes Memorial Scholarship- \$1,500

Application Deadline February 1, 2017

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email _____

College: _____ Date of Graduation _____

Major: _____ Class Rank _____ Degree Earned _____

Law School you plan to attend: _____

Personal Statement: Write a page explaining the following:
How could the GFWC/Iowa scholarship be useful to you?
Tell us about your achievements in undergraduate studies and financial need.

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

If I am awarded a scholarship from the GFWC/Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs, I understand that I will be expected to forfeit the scholarship if for any reason I do not continue my education. The scholarship is to be used only toward expenses in specified Schools of Law: The University of Iowa, Drake University in Iowa or Marquette University in Wisconsin.

Signature of Applicant _____

Please note: applications must be postmarked by February 1, 2017

Send application to:
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