

**Ford County Historical Society's
Guidelines for Awarding the Annual
Dr. Wilbur W. Sauer History Scholarship**

As a memorial to Dr. Wilbur W. Sauer, who was the organizer of the Ford County Historical Society in 1968, this annual scholarship was established in 1998 by the Historical Society for excellence and interest in the study of history.

The initial award was \$500 in 1999, and amounts for succeeding years will be established annually.

The Selection Committee shall publicize the requirements for application on an annual basis in a manner determined by the Committee to inform potential candidates of the availability of the scholarship.

Applicants of the Dr. Sauer Scholarship must:

- Live in Ford County and be a senior in high school; however, attendance may be in a school outside of Ford County.
- Have completed two years of history classes after 3½ years in high school. These courses may include American History, World History, Illinois History, World Geography, Economics, Government or Current Events.
- Submit a high school transcript through first semester of the senior year, plus scores from ACT or SAT.
- Include a letter of recommendation from his/her history teacher and a letter of recommendation from someone in the community (not involved in the school.)
- Include a list of extra-curricular activities (school, church, and community), honors received, and other significant accomplishments.
- Include an essay (limited to one page, double spaced) stating applicant's goals and aims in life.
- Submit the completed application form and required documentation no later than **April 1, 2010** for consideration for a scholarship for the fall term to:

**Marilyn Ames, Scholarship Chrm.
1911 Byrnebruk Dr, Champaign, IL 61822-9242**

• **The standards which the Selection Committee shall use in determining the annual recipient shall be as follows:**

- The applicant will be judged on academic achievement, participation in school and community activities, citizenship, leadership, and a desire for higher education.
 - The Committee will not discriminate on the basis of race, religious beliefs, or gender.
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- The winner agrees to allow the Selection Committee of the Ford County Historical Society to publicize the award and name the recipient in the area newspapers and radio stations.
 - The award will be presented at the May meeting of the Ford County Historical Society (usually held on the 3rd Friday of May.)
 - The award may be used for tuition, entrance fees or textbooks in any junior college, four-year college or university, trade or technical school.

Application for Ford County Historical Society's
Dr. Wilbur W. Sauer History Scholarship

Name of Student _____ Soc. Sec. # _____

Complete Address _____

Home Telephone () _____ E-mail _____

Parent's Names _____

Name of High School _____

Address of School _____

School Telephone (with area code) _____

Date of High School Graduation _____

Name of History Teacher/Sponsor _____

Teacher's Home Address _____

Teacher's Telephone _____

Attach the following items to complete this scholarship application:

- Transcript of your high school grades **through first semester** of senior year
- ACT or SAT test scores
- Letter of nomination or recommendation from your history teacher
- Letter of recommendation from someone in the community (not on the faculty)
- List of extra-curricular activities for school, church and community, including honors received or other significant accomplishments
- Your essay (limited to one page, double spaced) stating your goals and aims in life

Submit completed application form and required documentation by **April 1, 2011** to:

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