

## **#2 ARCHIE STEWART NEWBURGH ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

### **Who was Archie Stewart?**

The late Thomas Archibald Stewart was best known for his role in the establishment of Stewart Airport. It was “Archie” who suggested to his family that they donate the land west of Newburgh to the city to be used for aviation. The airport, begun in 1930 by the city and finished just before World War II by the Army Air Corps, is named after the Stewarts as a reminder of their foresight and generosity.

Archie joined Newburgh Rotary Club in 1923, just 6 years after the club was founded. For over 70 years, he was an active and loyal member of this community service organization.

It was Archie, and his wife Mary, who donated the “seed money” for Newburgh Rotary to establish a scholarship award. Archie’s only request was that the award be used to - *Assist a worthy Newburgh Free Academy student wishing to obtain further education.*

With the aid of The Newburgh Rotary Club, the Archie Stewart Rotary Scholarship was established and made its first award of \$500 to Luis Castro in 1993. Since then, with contributions from Newburgh Rotary, the Stewart family and local businesses, the fund has grown to allow us to increase our award to the present level.

Through this award, the generosity of Archie and the Stewart family continues to have a positive impact on the Newburgh area. It is our hope that the recipients of the Archie Stewart Rotary Scholarship Award will carry on the tradition of the Stewarts, and Rotary, and continue to contribute to the future of Newburgh.

***Board of Directors  
Archie Stewart Rotary  
Scholarship Fund***

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### **Part 1:**

Purpose: Provide financial assistance to an NFA Graduate who is continuing his or her formal education.

### ***Selection Criteria:***

1. Academic Ability
  - a. High school grades
  - b. Likelihood of success in continuing education
  - c. Evidence of growth as a responsible student
2. Community Involvement
  - a. Church, civic, volunteer activities
  - b. Extracurricular activities in school
3. Other Activities
  - a. Job
  - b. Non-school seminars, retreats, etc.
4. Acceptance in qualified post-secondary education
5. Satisfactory interview with Scholarship Fund Board

### ***Selection Process:***

1. Application
  - a. Personal Information
  - b. Essay
  - c. Letter of recommendation
  - d. Interview (finalists)

### ***Final Selection:***

Final selection will be determined by the Board of Directors of the Archie Stewart Rotary Scholarship Fund, based on the criteria set forth above. The Board has sole authority to award this scholarship and its decision is final.

Award: To be made as follows:

\$1,000 during 1<sup>st</sup> year upon request from student or financial aid office, accompanied by proof of full time registration.

\$1000 each year for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> years, upon request from student or financial aid office accompanied by proof of continued full time attendance.

Student must have maintained an average of B or above for prior year. Transcript must be provided.

Please be sure that you have completed all the parts of this application before submitting.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Recommendation (optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Transcripts

RETURN TO YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR BY 3/12/10

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**Part 2 – Application Form**

Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip Code

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Colleges or schools you have been accepted to: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Career plans or goals: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why did you choose this college? \_\_\_\_\_

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Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify any school organizations in which you have been active while at NFA (i.e. clubs, music groups, school government, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Please identify any activities outside of NFA that you have been active in (i.e. church, scouts, community volunteer work etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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If you were employed while attending NFA, please identify where and what you did. \_\_\_\_\_

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**ESSAY**

Please answer the following question in an essay of 300 to 500 words:

*If you were given the opportunity to improve the Newburgh Community, What would you do?*

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### **Part 3** – Letter of Recommendation (Optional)

Please fill in your name below and give this Request for Recommendation letter to someone other than a teacher, guidance counselor, or relative.

*Applicant's Name* \_\_\_\_\_

The student named above has applied to the Archie Stewart Newburgh Rotary Scholarship Fund. An award will be made based on the following criteria:

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This student has requested a short letter of recommendation from you. Would you please assist us by briefly noting your relationship and experience with the applicant, and why you would recommend him or her to receive this award.

Thank you for your assistance.