

# NORUMBEGA LODGE #3-506 EINAR AND EVA LUND HAUGEN SCHOLARSHIP

# Information and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Applications for scholarship awards will be available on the Lodge website as of December 1st each year.

## 1. Who is eligible?

Members of Norumbega Lodge #3-506 in **GOOD STANDING** for at least five (5) years prior to applying who are studying Scandinavian language and/or culture. Students of Scandinavian language and/or culture who are not Lodge members are welcome to apply but must be sponsored by a Norumbega member of at least five (5) years in good standing. Lodge members who have not yet attained the five (5) year threshold must also be sponsored by a fellow member with at least five (5) years of membership.

2. What kind of learning programs for Scandinavian languages and/or culture would be considered for scholarships?

Applicants must participate in a formal class, course or other learning experience in a subject of Scandinavian language and/or culture. Examples of appropriate programs include but are not limited to: International Summer School at the University of Oslo, undergraduate or graduate studies in Scandinavian language or literature, Scandinavian folk arts or dance courses, or summer language camp.

Scholarships will not be awarded for personal interests, such as travel to Scandinavia, genealogical research, informal reading (alone or in a book club), or other, unstructured, informal, or self-guided exploration.

### 3. How do I apply?

Complete an official application form and submit it, along with at least two (2) letters of reference from non-relatives, by the established deadline (April 1<sup>st</sup>).

4. How do I find a sponsor for my application?

If you need assistance in seeking and/or securing an eligible Norumbega Lodge member, please contact the Scholarship Committee: <a href="mailto:scholarship@norumbegasofn.org">scholarship@norumbegasofn.org</a>. The Committee will connect applicants with Lodge members who have volunteered to serve as sponsors.

5. How much is the award?

One scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 may be awarded each year.

6. How are winners selected?

Interest in and commitment to Scandinavian language and/or culture, personal references, participation in school and/or community activities, and future plans regarding an applicant's area of study will all be considered in the selection of scholarship award recipients. The selection of award winners will remain final with the Committee. Financial need will not be considered.

7. What are my obligations if I receive an award?

Acknowledge receipt of award by letter to the Committee and update the Committee of your progress at least once during the award year.

8. How are the awards given out?

The Committee will present a check to the recipient(s) at a Lodge meeting in June each year.

#### Scholarship Committee policy

The general conditions and procedures under which scholarship awards will be made may be reviewed and revised by the Committee from time to time. General procedures may be modified as stated in Scholarship Fund bylaws. However, any previously approved and awarded scholarship will not be retroactively affected by new conditions or procedures.

#### Deadline for applications

April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. All requested application items must be in the hands of the Committee by the established deadline. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered for the current award year. It will be the applicant's responsibility to check that all required information has been submitted.