The Justin Little Memorial History Scholarship

Our Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to honor the memory and legacy of Justin Joseph Little, a remarkable young man who left this world too soon. Justin was murdered while on a journey of adventure and self-discovery, in Paris, France, in October, 2009. Justin was a unique and memorable person. He had a passion for history, an appreciation for the opportunities he had enjoyed in scouting, and a great love for his family and friends. The aim of this foundation is to help young people increase their knowledge and pursue their passion for history, and to provide opportunities for boys to attend Scout camp, who otherwise will not be able to afford to do so.

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The foundation will provide educational grants of $500 to one or more high school graduates with an interest in American history who are planning to attend an Oregon Community College, and who will be enrolled in at least two history courses during the following academic year. Application forms for graduating seniors are available through the counseling department at Silverton Union High School, or by contacting this foundation.

Scouting Grants

To the extent that funds are available, this foundation will also provide needs-based financial assistance to Silverton Cub Scout Pack 113 and Silverton Boy Scout Troop 485 to enable Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts to attend summer camp.
How we are funded

This organization is funded through the volunteer efforts of Justin’s friends and family, interested individuals, and organizations supporting our charitable and educational objectives. The foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and any donations are tax-deductible. The foundation has also been approved for a non-profit food booth, selling kettle corn at Mount Angel Oktoberfest.

How to apply

History Grant

Any high school senior who wishes to pursue an interest in history at an Oregon community college may apply for a history grant. Applications can be obtained through Silverton High School, or by contacting this foundation. The applicant may submit an essay not to exceed 500 words on the importance of studying history, and describing the applicant’s interest in American history, including the Civil War. In addition, or as an alternative to the essay, the applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a history teacher describing the applicant’s genuine interest. This is not an academic contest, or an award based on financial need. Rather it is intended as a recognition of sincere interest on the part of the applicant, and an incentive to pursue a passion for history. Special allowance will be made for any applicant with Autism Spectrum disorder. Recipients will be selected by a committee of five persons, including two teachers, based upon the applicant’s genuine interest, ideas, and effort. Awards will necessarily be made on a funds available basis.

Scouting Grant

Grants to Cub Scouts and Boy Scout programs will be administered by the Scouting leadership. Applications for funding to assist boys to attend summer camp may be made informally by Scout leaders. Scout leaders are asked to be on the lookout for potential recipients, and to contact this foundation if funds are needed. Again, Grants will be made in the basis of funds available.

How to contact us or Donate to the Foundation

If you have any questions, or would like to made a donation, please contact us at

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