

2020 Rhode Island Masonic Scholarship Sources and Information

There are many scholarships available to children and grandchildren of members of Masonic Lodges in Rhode Island. There are also scholarships available to members of the Order of Rainbow for Girls and members of the Order of DeMolay. Some of the Lodges have their own scholarship programs as do some Eastern Star Chapters and other Concordant Bodies. This list is our attempt to inform as many members and their families about those scholarships that are available, their basic requirements, and contact persons.

Grand Lodge of Rhode Island

The Masonic Grand Lodge of Rhode Island administers numerous scholarship programs, including the Fletcher Fund's Masonic Youth Foundation program. Request forms and information from Masonic Grand Lodge Charities of RI, Inc., attention: Scholarship Committee, 222 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914 or call the Grand Lodge office at 401-435-4650. Grand Lodge also has scholarships available to non-Masonic applicants.

The forms must be 100% accurately filled out and be received in the Grand Lodge office no later than 4:00 PM on Monday, April 15, 2020. There are no exceptions.

Scottish Rite Valley of Providence

Abbott Scholarship

Currently enrolled freshman, sophomore, junior or senior at an accredited college or university. A minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. Freshman scholarships will be distributed after an acceptable GPA is submitted, following the first semester.

A child of a Scottish Rite Mason in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

A member of a youth organization sponsored by the Masonic fraternity in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

A graduate of one of the 32° degree Masonic Learning Centers for Children in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

Not available to entering freshmen.

Albert P. Ruérat Scholarship.

For active DeMolay boys only.

Call Maria at the Scottish Rite office, 401-461-2480 for scholarship forms. If she is not available, Tom Yeaw can help. The office is open Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The forms must be submitted in duplicate and must be in the hands of Scottish Rite no later than April 1, 2020. Scottish Rite 2115 Broad Street, Cranston, RI 02905.

Scholarships offered by Eastern Star and Rainbow

Grand Chapter of Rhode Island, O.E.S. & Eastern Star Foundation of RI Inc.

1. General Education Scholarships are available to those who have a State of Rhode Island Eastern Star or Masonic relationship or to those who were or who are a member in good standing of Rainbow or DeMolay in the State of Rhode Island. Scholarships are available for sophomore, junior, senior, and post-graduate years in college.

2. Estarl Scholarships are for those preparing for leadership roles in various fields of religious service including ministers, priests, missionaries, church music directors, and church youth directors and counselors. The scholarship does not require a Masonic, Eastern Star, Rainbow, or DeMolay relationship.

3. Eastern Star Foundation of Rhode Island Inc.

4. There is a **Music Scholarship Fund** which is not for college attendance. It offers scholarship assistance to anyone for organ lessons, providing an applicant commits to play for her/his Chapter or Assembly.

Applications for the above three scholarships can be obtained from Mrs. Kathryn A. Newman, Grand Secretary, 65 Ethan Street, Warwick, RI 02888, 401-228-8499, knewman58@cox.net. They are also available on the Grand Chapter website at www.gcricoes.org. **The deadline for all completed scholarship applications is April 30.**

Adah Chapter No. 15. Applications for the following scholarships may be obtained from Mrs. Frances M. Kane, 95 Farnum Road, Warwick, RI 02888, 401-463-8367, frankane@cox.net. **The deadline for all completed scholarship applications is April 30.**

The Round Scholarship is for current members in good standing and those with a majority from a Rhode Island Rainbow Assembly, preference given to members of East Greenwich Assembly No 4.

The Gardiner Scholarship is for members, children and grandchildren of Adah Chapter and the former Martha Chapter.

Nestell Chapter Scholarship is for those who have an Eastern Star relationship with members of the former Nestell Chapter. The application can be obtained from Carol-Ann King 110 Biscuit City Rd. Charlestown, RI 02813.

Philia Chapter Scholarship is for a first-year college student who will graduate from Ponagansett High School. For more information or for an application, please contact Mrs. Larry Thienel, 37 Davis Road, North Scituate, RI 02857, 401-474-2190, Allison.Thienel@NEMoves.com.

East Greenwich Assembly No. Applicant must be an active member of East Greenwich Assembly No. 4 who has had 3 years perfect attendance and has earned all merit bars and a Pot of Gold. Applications can be obtained from Mrs. Barbara Parisella, Outside Trustee, 305 John Franklin Road, Hope, RI 02831, 401-487-4473, barbaralou79@gmail.com. **The deadline for all completed scholarship applications in June 15.**

Grand Assembly of Rhode Island/Rhode Island Rainbow Girls Foundation Inc.

Scholarships are available for Rainbow Girls who are members in good standing in a Rhode Island Rainbow Assembly. Applicants must first apply during senior year in high school and may apply for four consecutive years. You must have a 2.0 grade point average and be a full-time student with at least 12 credit hours per semester. Applications may be obtained from your Mother Advisor, the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee, or downloaded from Rainbow website, www.rirainbowgirls.org.

Deadline for all completed scholarship applications is June 15.

If you do not complete the year for which the scholarship is granted, it is expected that the amount of the scholarship will be repaid to the applicable grantor fund.

St. Johns Lodge No. 1 Providence

The scholarship is for the sons, daughters, and grandchildren of living St. Johns lodge members plus one Rainbow Girl and one DeMolay Boy. Minimum GPA for acceptance: 2.75 of a scale of 4.0. Mail or email a request for an application to: Secretary, Wyman P Hallstrom, Jr., secretary1prov@gmail.com. The completed form must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2020.

Harmony Lodge No. 9

The scholarship is available to sons and daughters of members of Harmony Lodge No. 9. Contact: Robert Kempf, Secretary at bobkempf@hotmail.com

Hope Lodge No. 25

A scholarship is awarded annually to a student who is a member or a close relative to a member of Hope Lodge No. 25, A.F. & A.M. Wakefield, RI on the basis of academic achievement and financial need. Student must attend URI and fill out the appropriate university and federal financial aid forms to be considered for this award. The applications are administered by URI, not the Lodge. Income from endowment for a scholarship awarded recipient is selected by URI Enrollment Services, not the lodge.

<http://web.uri.edu/catalog/files/scholarships-awards.pdf>

Adelphoi Lodge No. 33

This scholarship is available to sons, daughters, grandchildren of members of Adelphoi Lodge No. 33 and members of RI Rainbow or RI DeMolay. Applications are available through the secretary, Edward Kdonian at ekdonian@verizon.net

Redwood Lodge No. 35

The Redwood Scholarship is for children and grandchildren of a member of Redwood Lodge. An applicant can receive a scholarship once and for the first year of college only. The due date for applications is June 3, 2020. Applications available from the secretary, Samuel Miller, 401-523-5720, smiller64@aol.com

Grand Commandery of York Rite Masons

Scholarships are for junior and senior college students only.

Request an application from the Grand Recorder and Grand Secretary: yorkriteboston@gmail.com 617-426-1973. The application must be received no later than April 30, 2020.

Providence Chapter of Royal Arch Masons

This scholarship is for the children and grandchildren of living or deceased members of the Providence Chapter only, plus Rainbow Girls and DeMolay Boys. Send a request for a scholarship form to: Mazen Alsabe at malsabe@yahoo.com. An email request is preferred. The request for an application must be submitted by the student (applicant) and be received no later than March 31.

Calvary Commandery No. 13 of York Rite Masons

For the family members and descendants of Calvary Commandery members only. Contact James Ogilvie at jogilthorp@yahoo.com or 401-954-8334 for an application. Available only to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first granted basis. Applications may be submitted January 1 through July 31, 2020.