The Joycelyn A. Ayersman Memorial Scholarship Fund

It is with great honor and privilege that we announce the establishment of the Joycelyn A. Ayersman Scholarship Fund to be bestowed upon Preston High School Graduates who are residents of the Rowlesburg area and are regularly enrolled as full-time students in accredited institutions. The establishment of this Memorial Fund comes with the recommendation by the Rowlesburg Area Historical Society as the direct result of input from local residents. It is befitting for such a fund to be given in the name of the person who was beloved by so many. Joycelyn was considered the pillar and strength of an organization that has always strived for the betterment and preservation of the historical foundation of Rowlesburg, West Virginia.

The exemplary service and commitment of the late Joycelyn A. Ayersman will continue to live on for the benefit of future generations to come. Preston County and the State of West Virginia have been honored through the establishment of a Memorial Scholarship Fund in her name. She was the founder, presiding president and the backbone of the Historical Society from its inception. Joycelyn continued her tireless dedication in the preparation of the Society's Memorial Day festivities up until her untimely death on May 27, 2006. Other examples of her dedication to the community that she so dearly loved would include serving on the West Virginia State Highways and BackWays committee, promoting area history and tourism. She spent countless hours in fighting for grant monies to insure that dreams would become realities for the Historical Society, most notably Cannon Hill and the B & O Depot. She was also involved with town organizations, serving with the Park, Ambulance service and Fire Department committee known as (PAF) in assisting and promoting relationships founded on working together to achieve common goals.

At Joycelyn’s service, Reverend Roy Mick charged all present not to let her efforts go in vain, but to carry on with the same loyal dedication as exemplified by her life work.

Through the establishment of the Joycelyn A. Ayersman Memorial Scholarship Fund, her name and accomplishments will live on. To establish this fund, we have solicited the aid of the Greater Morgantown Community Trust to over see the funds existence. The goal is to begin this endowment with $10,000.00, which is self sustaining after one year and will produce a minimum of $500.00 and can be increased as so warranted.

Rowlesburg Area Historical Society
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Rowlesburg, WV 26425
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On behalf of the Rowlesburg Area Historical Society and the Family of Joycelyn A. Ayersman we most sincerely thank you for your time and support.
THE JOYCELYN A. AYERSMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM

Greetings to Preston High School seniors from the Rowlesburg area. The Rowlesburg Area Historical Society is pleased to offer you this $500 scholarship to an institution of higher learning.

The successful applicant will:
• be a four year legal resident of the Rowlesburg area. Area is defined as living where school bus service is provided for students attending Rowlesburg Elementary School and Preston High School.
• be a graduate of Preston High School.
• have maintained a 2.5 grade point average.
• have been accepted in an accredited 2/4 year college or university, technical/business college or trade school.
• have successfully completed one semester or grading period with a 2.5 GPA.
• complete application before March 31st of his/her senior year at Preston High School.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

☐ Application Guidelines - carefully read this page to ensure your application form and other forms are completed and accurate.
☐ Activities form - do not attach a resume or additional pages; use only the page included in this booklet.
☐ Financial Form - complete and mail with all other application materials.
☐ Three letters of recommendation - ask evaluators to complete form and return to you in a sealed envelope with evaluators signature across the seal. Include the recommendation with all other application material. Remember that parents, immediate family members, or school counselors are NOT eligible to write the letter of recommendation.
☐ Grade Average Certification Forms - have appropriate school officials complete form and return it with all other application materials.
☐ Official Transcripts - request transcripts that most recently reflect a completed semester and send along with other application material.

March 31, 20__
A completed application packet must be received or postmarked by the Rowlesburg Area Historical Society by 5:00 PM on the above date.

April 20__
Selection Committee meeting.

May 15, 20__
Applicants are notified of committee’s decision.

Verification of Completion of First Semester or Grading Period
Recipient to notify Rowlesburg Area Historical Society within two weeks of this successful completion, provide school verification of his/her next semester enrolment and school GPA.

Disbursement of Funds
Checks are sent to the Financial Aid Office of appropriate institution and will be payable to recipient and/or the educational institution.
APPLICATION FOR
JOYCELYN A. AYERSMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Please print and type or scan to fill in.

Personal Information:

Name_________________________________________

Home Address___________________________________

Street or P.O. Box_______________________________

City, State, Zip_________________________________

Home Phone_____________________________________

Education Information:

Curriculum Emphasis at Preston High School_____________________________________________________________

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Rank in Class_____________________________________

Grade Point Average________________________________

Expected Date of Graduation________________________

ACT Composite Score________________________________

SAT Score__________________________________________

Have you attended any other high school other than Preston High School?_______

If so, what other school?____________________________________________________________

What years?__________________________________________
Have you attended other special academies, institutes, or other academic programs outside regular high school? Yes__________No____________

If so, please list and give address

1. ____________________________________________________________

2. ____________________________________________________________

3. ____________________________________________________________

List schools applied to and whether or not you have been accepted.

1. ____________________________________________________________
   Accepted_________________ Pending__________________________

2. ____________________________________________________________
   Accepted_________________ Pending__________________________

3. ____________________________________________________________
   Accepted_________________ Pending__________________________

I am eligible for a Promise Scholarship.
Yes__________No____________

I have applied for a promise scholarship.
Yes__________No____________

Name and Phone Number of Preston High School Guidance Counselor.

Name______________________________________________________

Phone Number_____________________________________________
FINANCIAL FORM

Academic Year________________

☐ I am a dependent    ☐ I am not a dependent    Deadline March 31, 20__

ASSETS:

Student’s cash and savings______________________________

FAMILY MEMBERS:

In the space below, list all the people in your household. (parents, siblings, and other household members) For children in the household, include each child’s age, grade in school, and school that the child is attending.

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EXPENSES:

Estimated expenses for the coming year: (Please refer to the cost of attendance budget at your first choice of school. The information should be available in the institution’s publication or from the financial aid office.)

• Tuition and fees:______________________________________________________________

• Room and Board:______________________________________________________________

• Books:______________________________________________________________

• Personal/Other expenses:______________________________________________________

• Total expenses:______________________________________________________________
INCOME:

Total income available for the coming year: List as many items as you can estimate at this time. If you have received a financial aid notice from your first choice school, you should refer to that.

1. Income from outside job:______________________________________________
2. Income from campus job:______________________________________________
3. G.I. or Social Security Benefits:________________________________________
4. Child Support:________________________________________________________
5. Scholarships:__________________________________________________________
6. Loans:_______________________________________________________________
7. Grants:_______________________________________________________________
8. Other income:_________________________________________________________
9. Total income:_________________________________________________________
LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Academic Year 20________/20________
Application Deadline: March 31, 20________

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To evaluator: The named applicant is applying for a scholarship from the Joycelyn A. Ayersman Memorial Scholarship Fund. Your evaluation is needed as part of the application process. The student has authorized you to release any information you feel would be helpful in reviewing his/her application. Your co-operation in providing this information is important to the selection of award recipients. To insure confidentiality, please return this form to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal. In the space provided below, please make a statement describing the student’s character, school and community leadership abilities, potential to succeed, and evidence of the student’s strengths and weaknesses, not to exceed one page length. If you are using your letterhead be sure to include your relationship to the applicant and the length of time you have been acquainted.

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I am writing this evaluation on behalf of ________________________________

Evaluators name: ________________________________ Phone: ______________

Address: ________________________________ Street or PO Box ____________________________

                            City                        State                         Zip

Relationship to Applicant: ________________________________
How long have you known applicant? ________________________________

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Please use the space provided to let us know something about you that we might not learn from the rest of the application. We ask that your essay be typed and you limit your response to the space provided below.

I affirm that this essay is my own work, and that all the information in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct.

Applicants Signature

Date
ACTIVITIES FORM

Use only the space provided below. Please list all extracurricular, community, and personal activities in which you have participated during the past three years, as well as activities you are planning for the current year. Include clubs, debate, school sports, student government, fine arts, volunteer work, youth programs, music, scouting, etc.

DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL RESUMES, LISTS, ETC.