

“Vietnam Veterans Chapter 731 - Scholarship Offer”

The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 731, is offering two \$1,000.00 and one \$500.00 scholarship to high school seniors who are residents of Manitowoc County.

This award is to be used for continuing Education at any degree granting accredited school. (educational / technical collage / university)

Specific Scholarship Requirements

- (1) Applicants must be, a resident of Manitowoc County, a high school senior, and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.6 or higher for their high School years grades 9 through date of application.**
- (2) The scholarship is for a full time program at any accredited degree granting Institution of higher learning.**
- (3) Applicants must interview any U.S. military veteran(s), who served “honorably, and on active duty” between 1 January 1959 to 7 May 1975. This service can be served anywhere in the world, it’s not restricted to the war itself.**
- (4) Write an essay (original, typed, double-spaced) of not less than 500 words based on the interview(s).**
- (5) Supply proof of the interviewed veteran’s service. (DD 214) or (Honorable Discharge) (If the person you are interviewing is a member of VVA chapter 731, we’ll have a copy of his/her DD 214 on file. In this case, you do not have to send a copy of form DD214 or other proof of service. [*Service Number can be blacked out.*])**
- (6) Mail the essay, application, school transcripts, and proof of veteran’s service to V.V.A. Chapter 731, Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 2131, Manitowoc, Wi. 54221-2131 by 2 March. Postmarks “later” than March 2nd “will not” be considered}}**

Note:

Although elements of grammar may be considered, it’s what you learned from the interview and how it’s expressed that will have the most importance to most doing the judging.

“Thank you for your interest and good luck.”

*****[for more information call Dick Luchsinger at 682-9232]*****

More Veteran Scholarships are available at the County Veterans Service Office, call 920-683-4055 to see if you are eligible for any of them.

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Vietnam Veterans of America Scholarship Data Sheet

Personal Data:

Name _____ **Age** _____

Address _____, **Zip** _____ **Telephone** _____

Father, Mother, or Guardian – Name & Address _____

_____ **Zip** _____ **Phone** _____

Qualifying Veteran interviewed {use extra sheet for additional qualifying veteran(s)}.

(1) Name _____ **Telephone** _____

Address _____, _____, **ZIP** _____

(2) Name _____ **Telephone** _____

Address _____, _____, **ZIP** _____

Educational Data:

High school(s) attended with dates.

Intended major / educational goals. _____

Campus you plan to attend. _____

High school – Extra curricular activities, Community Services, Honors & Awards Earned. (use extra sheet if needed). _____

Names, addresses, & phone numbers of three references.” At least “two” must be teachers”.

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“Frequently Asked Questions”

What is a Vietnam Veteran? A Vietnam Veteran is any U.S. Military Veteran who served on **active** duty between and including 1 January 1959 and 7 May 1975.

Can I interview someone that did not have a combat role? Yes, most military jobs do not involve direct combat actions. Serving anywhere in the world during the above dates is a Vietnam Veteran.

Can I interview one of my parents? Yes, you may interview anyone who meets the criteria qualifying him or her as a U.S. Vietnam Veteran. (active duty dates shown above)

Can I interview some one that was in the National Guard or Reserves? If the Veteran served more than six (6) months on active duty, he or she may be interviewed.

What kind of proof is needed to show the person I interview is a Vietnam Veteran? You'll need to provide proof of service by having the person give you a copy of his/her DD214 (from their service record, service number can be blanked out), or other discharge orders, retirement papers, etc., showing 'honorable' service. If the Veteran doesn't have a copy, it can usually be recreated from the county service office. (if the person is a member of VVA Chapter 731 we will have a copy on file – all we'll need in this case is his/her full name.)

Will I be notified if I do not win? “Only winners” will be contacted.

(I am a resident of Manitowoc, County but go to school outside the County), or (I am not a resident of Manitowoc, County but go to school in Manitowoc, County) am I eligible? Only people that “have a permanent address in, and live in the County” regardless of where they are going to school meets eligibility.

I am not going to a college or university; will I be eligible for the scholarship? Yes, you may attend “any accredited degree granting school.” (educational/technical collage or university)

May I interview more than one Vietnam Veteran? Yes, proof of service is required for each Vietnam Veteran you interview as outlined above.

GOOD LUCK!!

Here are some Vietnam Veterans that can do a good job with interviews if you don't have anyone else in mind. *You can interview more than one Veteran.*

Kent Beeman – USA – Vietnam {{682-1597}}

Mike Berzinsky – USA (Infantry) Vietnam {{794-8142}}

Mike Demske – USN - (Swift Boats) – Vietnam {{684-1624}}

Thomas Hoffman – USN (Seabee) – Vietnam {{682-5073}}

Richard Luchsinger – USN - (Tugs & Yard Boats, River Boats, Seabee (Heavy Equipment, Fireman) – Mare Island, Antarctica, Philippines, Vietnam, Treasure Island, New Zealand, Guam, and others {{682-9232}}

Gene Nelson -- Capt., USN Retired (Jet Pilot) {{920 683 3085}}
(31 years in the navy as a pilot, World wide service)

Steve Schofield – USA (Green Beret, Medic) Vietnam {{726-4618}} (Not always available)

Roy Tegen – USA (Dog Handler) Vietnam {{682-5385}}

Cris Wagner – USMC Vietnam (grunt) {{684-1680}}

Ron Wiesner – USA {{682-0770}}

Good Luck!

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