



SLOGAN: "A Sound Mind in a Sound Body" MOTTO: "For God and Nation"

SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL

ASSEMBLY 261 READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Rules of Eligibility

1. An eligible candidate for a Frank S. Smolnik Fraternal Scholarship Award shall be a member of good standing of the Slovak Catholic Sokol Assembly 261 or Wreath 155. Such candidate must have been a beneficial member of the Assembly or Wreath for at least five (5) years prior to date of application.
2. The minimum amount of insurance required for eligibility is \$3,000.00 of permanent life insurance or a combination of permanent life insurance and annuity deposits, which total \$3,000.00. The insurance must be force at time of application and be maintained throughout the scholarship period.
3. Such membership standing shall be verified from the records of the Assembly or Wreath and the national office of the Slovak Catholic Sokol.
4. Applicants must have at least an accumulated grade point average of 2.5 or better at the institution that they had or are attending.
5. Applicants must apply on an official form, which can be obtained from the officers or by writing to Joseph M. Oros, Financial-Secretary, 124 Funston Ave. Reading, Pa. 19607, or from the web site Readingsokolclub.com.
6. A transcript of the latest scholastic record of the applicant must accompany all applications.
7. All applications must be accompanied by proof of the applicant's acceptance as a registered student by a college or university (4 Yrs.); community college, nursing, trade, technical or business schools (2 yrs.); or other institutions approved by the committee.



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8. Applicants will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee according to their individual merit in categories of
 - Participation in local Sokol Athletic or cultural activities
 - Those who have excelled in their respective educational facilities
 - Participation in Community activities/volunteering.
 - Submit a typed essay double-spaced in 300 words or less on the following subject: WHAT DOES THE READING SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL MEAN TO ME?
9. Application and all required information is to be sent to Scholarship Committee c/o Joseph M. Oros Financial Secretary-Treasurer, 124 Funston Ave. Reading, Pa. 19607.
10. Material submitted in support of the application will not be returned unless specifically requested.
11. The award checks will be issued in the name of the student and the institution that is being attended. Awards will be made for one academic year. Applicants are eligible to win only one award in a five-year period.
12. The final decision will be made by the Executive Committee of the fund upon recommendation of the Scholarship Committee. Winners will be notified in writing and will be expected to attend an awards banquet.
13. An applicant, who neglects to submit or complete any part of these requirements or submits documentation after the established deadline, will automatically be disqualified.



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14. Deadline Dates:

Request Form June 1, 2011 through August 15, 2011

Receipt of application and all other required documentation September 1, 2011

Announcement of Winners October 2011

Checks will be issued November 2011

REQUIRED INFORMATION

The following must be submitted - no exceptions.

- 1 Official Scholarship Grant Application
- 2 Official Transcript/Academic Record
- 3 A clear, wallet size (2x3) photo of applicant.
- 4 The Typed essay double-spaced in 300 words or less on the following subject:

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Terms of Award

1. In the event that a candidate receiving a Fraternal Scholarship award decides to withdraw, the award must be returned to the Frank S. Smolknik Scholarship Fund.
2. The scholar shall observe all regulations of the educational institution, including- without limitations those regarding residence and discipline satisfactory to the school.
3. The executive committee of the Slovak Catholic Sokol Assembly 261 reserves the right to withdraw and cancel the Fraternal scholarship if, in the judgment of said committee and of the school, the scholar is no longer eligible to hold the scholarship.
4. The award shall amount to \$500.00
5. The award must be used toward tuition for that academic term.
6. The winner of the award shall participate in a photo presentation consisting of the winner and committee.
7. All award winners are asked to participate in two Sokol activities within 18 months of receiving scholarships. They could be attending membership meetings, celebrations, participating in a Sokol athletic event and other volunteering opportunities.