

Rotarian May Jo Craig “Service Above Self” Scholarships Awarded by the Rotary Club of Abingdon, Virginia

The life of May Jo Craig, distinguished local Rotarian and beloved Clerk to the Washington County Public School System for decades, will be remembered through scholarships awarded by the Rotary Club of Abingdon, Virginia. May Jo Craig lived her life in accordance with the Rotary International motto “Service Above Self”, the philosophy that service to others is the highest calling one may aspire to in life. Graduating seniors from Abingdon, Holston, John Battle and Patrick Henry High Schools and the Washington County CTE Center who best exemplify this motto and Craig’s life of service will each be awarded a \$750.00 educational scholarship.

Each applicant must fully complete the Rotarian May Jo Craig “Service Above Self” Scholarship Application and meet all the qualifications and criteria listed below for a scholarship to be awarded. No applicant directly related to any Abingdon Rotary Club member will be eligible to receive this award. The deadline for applications submitted to appropriate school guidance offices will be Friday, April 7, 2017 by close of school. Awarded scholarships will be presented to selected recipients during annual school awards ceremonies and recipients also will be invited to attend an Abingdon Rotary Club luncheon in late April or early May, 2017 to be introduced and recognized by the Abingdon Rotary Club Membership.

Applicant Qualifications:

- 1. Must be a senior at Abingdon, Holston, John Battle or Patrick Henry High School or the Washington County CTE Center. (Only one award per school and per person.)*
- 2. Preference for Washington County Community Scholar applicants. (Note on application.)*
- 3. Should have a 3.2 grade point average or higher. (Evidenced by school transcript.)*
- 4. Must have shown leadership skills in school, religious activities or community. (Provide examples.)*
- 5. Should be involved in service activities at school, religious activities or community. (Provide list.)*
- 6. Must be attending college by the fall of 2017. (Designate college or university of choice.)*

Scholarship Application Criteria:

- 1. Must fully complete the Rotarian May Jo Craig Scholarship Application Form.*
- 2. Provide a copy of applicant’s college acceptance letter for summer or fall, 2017.*
- 3. Provide two letters of reference, one from a school representative and one from a representative where community service was performed by the applicant.*
- 4. Applicant essay of 500 to 750 words regarding his/her service to others, including examples of leadership qualities, educational and career goals and how service to others has influenced the applicant’s educational and career goals for the future.*
- 5. Provide a copy of high school transcript.*

Rotarian May Jo Craig "Service Above Self" Scholarship Application

Sponsored by The Rotary Club of Abingdon, Virginia

School: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

High School Activities and Years Involved: _____

Community Service and Years Involved: _____

Religious Activities and Years Involved (Optional): _____

College Acceptance and Why This Choice? _____

Deadline for submittal of application and all support documents will be Friday, April 7, 2017 by close of school. Award recipients will be invited to attend an Abingdon Rotary Club luncheon meeting in late April or early May to be recognized by the Abingdon Rotary Club Membership.

All qualifications and criteria must be met for a scholarship to be awarded. Any applicant directly related to an Abingdon Rotary Club member is ineligible to receive a Rotarian May Jo Craig "Service Above Self" Scholarship.

If awarded this scholarship you agree to attend the senior awards banquet for recognition.