



PEQUANNOCK VALLEY ROTARY
SERVING PEQUANNOCK, LINCOLN PARK, AND RIVERDALE
"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

2023 ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP
In memory of Lou Herbert – Scholarship Chair

Lou Hebert was one of the founding members of the Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship Committee. Lou passed away on January 11, 2023, and the Rotary is honoring his commitment to ensuring the scholarship program would endure for years to come.

Lou grew up in New York's Hell's Kitchen and after graduating high school he enlisted in the US Army. After his service with the Army, he began his career with ConEd and attended Queens College at night where he earned a bachelor's degree in math and physics. After settling in Pompton Plains, Lou opened his own computer business, originally run out of a store in Mountain View.

Lou's public service life was not limited to the Rotary. A US Army veteran, Lou was very active with the American Legion Post 242, eventually serving as its commander, a position he held through his passing. During his 26 years with the Legion, Lou organized dozens of Pequannock's Memorial Day Parades. Lou also served on Pequannock Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Pequannock Township's Historic Commission. One of his beloved projects was to update the First Reformed Church Cemetery records locating veteran's gravesites and planting flags to ensure that veterans would be remembered each year. Lou was recognized for his outstanding community leadership and his "Service Above Self" and named Pequannock Township's Citizen of the Year and the Rotary named him an Honorary Member.

Lou Herbert truly served as a model to all Rotarians and the PV Rotary will be honoring Lou with a Scholarship in his name. The Lou Hebert Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an applicant who has distinguished themselves through outstanding volunteer work with plans to continue their education in the Information Technology "IT" field.

APPLICANTS – PLEASE READ THE LETTER AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

Attached is the application for the 2023 Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship.

The Rotary's motto is "**Service Above Self**," so the scholarship awards are heavily based on volunteer activities and community service. The application must be completed by the student. A representative from the applicant's high school must sign as well as a parent or guardian. The committee will take into consideration how well the applicant can follow application directions – **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

Applicants must be attending a COLLEGE, TRADE SCHOOL or other institution in the Fall of 2023. Applicants must reside in Lincoln Park, Pequannock, Pompton Plains or Riverdale.

Please submit your application to your high school guidance counselor or mail directly to:

The Pequannock Valley Rotary Club / Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 16
Pequannock, NJ 07440

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 18, 2023

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

2023 ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP TYPES:

- GENERAL: students who plan to further their academic education and earn a college degree
- VOCATIONAL/TRADE SCHOOL: students who plan on a future education in a specific trade such as nursing, culinary, electrical, plumbing
- MEMORIAL: given in memory of a retired or deceased rotary member
 - *2023 Lou Herbert Memorial Scholarship awarded to applicant an applicant with outstanding volunteer work with plans to continue their education in the Information Technology “IT” field*

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

- academic achievement
- extra-curricular activities
- volunteer / service activities and/or projects
- financial need may be considered

All applications will be reviewed, and selections will be made by the Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship Committee. Candidates selected will be notified prior to their graduation and invited to attend our Scholarship Luncheon in June 2023 to receive their award. All information submitted will be held in strictest confidence and will become the property of the Pequannock Valley Rotary Club Scholarship Committee. Applications from candidates related to a current Pequannock Valley Rotarian will not be considered

PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

SIGNATURES/CERTIFICATIONS: All applications must be certified, signed, and dated by the applicant, the applicant’s parents/guardian, and the applicant’s High School Counselor or Representative. Lack of proper signatures and or information may disqualify you, so PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

DOCUMENTATION: Lack of proper signatures and or information may disqualify you, so PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

- Sealed transcript of your high school subjects and grades.
- Character reference, from someone other than a relative.

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PEQUANNOCK VALLEY ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Candidate Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

CANDIDATE'S CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I have personally completed this scholarship application for the Pequannock Valley Rotary and have answered the questions to be best of my ability. I also hereby agree to the publication of my name and/or photo for public relations purposes if I am selected as a recipient.

Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship awards are cash awards to be used toward expenses incurred in connection with my continuing education. Should I be awarded a scholarship and decide not to continue my education I understand that the scholarship money must be repaid to Pequannock Valley Rotary.

Pequannock Valley Rotary reserves the right to request verification of any information disclosed on this application.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

PARENT CERTIFICATION:

*While the information below is optional, it is **STONGLY SUGGESTED** that it is included to allow the committee to make a fair decision when choosing recipients.*

- Income, (mother & father combined even if living in separate households): _____
- Number of children in the household: _____
- Number of dependent children attending college, (do not include the applicant in the total): _____

I certify that the information submitted has been reviewed by me and is complete and accurate. I further certify that the income stated is accurate. I am aware that upon acceptance of a scholarship that I may be requested to verify my income to the Rotary accountant as designated.

Name of Parent/Guardian Name

Signature Parent/Guardian

GUIDANCE CERTIFICATION:

Current GPA: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Class Rank: _____ Number of Students in Graduation Class: _____

ABOVE INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY:

signature and title of certifying official

Pequannock Valley Rotary 2023 Scholarship Application

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High School Attending: _____ College Major: _____
"undecided" is an acceptable answer

List Colleges, Vocational/Trade, or other Institutions to which you have been accepted. Please note which college you plan on attending, (if you have decided):

- _____
- _____
- _____

Please tell us about other grants, scholarships, or college financial awards that you have received:

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

This is an opportunity for you to share your story with the committee, tell us who you are.

Is there something about you or your current situation that is important for the committee to know? Do you feel that your current situation should be of "hardship" consideration such as: a death of an immediate family member that has affected your education or living situation, is someone incapacitated that is a guardian or other support provider, are you a caregiver to an immediate family member, or is there something in your family background that has created special circumstances for your future?

ALL INFORMATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. *Please use a separate sheet of paper if needed.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Please list your extracurricular activities and dates. Activities include sports, choir, arts, clubs, girl or boy scouts, civic organization membership, student government, etc... Extracurricular activities ARE NOT community service projects or volunteer work.

*Please use a separate sheet of paper, if needed, for additional activities

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- _____
- _____

VOLUNTEER / SERVICE ACTIVITIES and/or PROJECTS:

Please list any volunteering or service projects, OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, that you have been involved with. Activities such as volunteering with a food pantry, homeless shelter, animal shelter, etc..., or providing assistance at town clean-ups, blood drives, coaching.

*Please use a separate sheet of paper, if needed, for additional activities.

Volunteer Organization & Activity, please include the length of the Project and/or hours worked volunteering

Name of Coordinator and phone number/e-mail for verification of hours

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

EMPLOYMENT:

Please list employment history, including dates of employment.

- _____
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ESSAY:

Please write an essay focusing on the Rotary's motto of "SERVICE ABOVE SELF." What do you think that means and why it is important?

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