



Friendship, Love, Truth

**INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS
CLOVER LODGE #348
625 MERCHANT STREET
AMBRIDGE, PENNSYLVANIA 15003**

Dear Principal/Counselor:

We represent a fraternal organization, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, located in Ambridge, Pennsylvania. We are a national non-profit 501 (C) (3) organization that has been in existence for over 200 years. Our individual lodge has been in existence for over 100 years. We are the only Odd Fellow lodge that services the Beaver County area. The purpose of our organization is to “visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead and educate the orphan.” To that end, we undertake many endeavors that make our community a better place to live. We have put together care packages for members of our community serving in the armed forces in Iraq and other overseas locations plus we give monthly food baskets to the needy.

Our current undertaking is to provide college scholarship money to area youths. We wish to provide financial assistance to area youths whose families are unable to keep up with the ever-rising cost of a college education. It is for this project that we are requesting your help. We are offering scholarships for graduating high school seniors in our area— over the past years we have given a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$1,500 in individual scholarships to a total of \$6,000. The money raised by our lodge is from a golf sponsored event. The selected applicants are required to work our golf event. Only serious candidates will be considered.

Attached please find 2021 Scholarship Application consisting of two pages. The application is requesting Personal, Family and Academic Information (to be completed by high school counselor).

We are requesting that application materials be returned to the school guidance office by April 9, 2021. We can then arrange with you to hopefully email back the candidate materials from your school.

We thank you in advance for your help in distributing these materials. If you would like more information concerning the scholarships, please feel free to contact me (Richard Shoup at 724-561-6855), Thomas Stachura (724-971-4989) or Monica Griffiths (412-680-4159). You may also reach us via e-mail at richs112760@yahoo.com, trs46@comcast.net or moeg4051@gmail.com respectively.

Together we can continue to help deserving students pursue higher education.

Sincerely,

Richard Shoup