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Judith Cary Leadership Memorial Scholarship

Applications due March 31st

The Judith Cary Leadership Memorial Scholarship (Cary Scholarship) is an up-to \$750.00 award given annually to one student who is pursuing either a Bachelor's or a Master's Degree in Special Education. Every applicant will be considered regardless of financial need.

Scholarship Background

The P. Buckley Moss Society created the Judith Cary Scholarship in 1999. It is awarded to a student who is working either full time or part time toward special needs certification or an undergraduate or graduate degree in some field of Special Education.

Judy Cary retired after teaching home economics for 25 years at Ramsey High School in Ramsey, Illinois. For years Judy served as the membership recruitment

coordinator of the P. Buckley Moss Society. She attended every Moss Convention, every trip the Society sponsored, and numerous gallery shows when P. Buckley Moss was making personal appearances. She was also a willing volunteer for many different tasks before her sudden death on January 16, 1998.

Initial funding for this scholarship was provided through donations by Judy's friends and an auction of a print donated by P. Buckley Moss with framing donated by The Country Framer Gallery. Also, Judy's Society renewal brooches, generously donated by her family, were sold through a silent auction.

Nominations for P. Buckley Moss Scholarships can be made only by members of the P. Buckley Moss Society and applications are not valid without a nomination. *Students who do not know a Society member should call the Foundation Office.*

All information provided by a nominee will be confidential.

Applications must be postmarked no later than March 31, and all materials for each applicant must be included in one mailing. Applications are to be sent to the P. Buckley Moss Foundation office.

The selection committee(s) reserves the right not to award any scholarship in a year when a suitable candidate is not nominated. In that case, the funds for the scholarship for that year can be carried over and applied to a scholarship awarded in the following year.

Application Requirements

- **Nomination by a P. Buckley Moss Society member** (brief letter from nominator stating relationship is optional).(Contact Foundation for assistance)
- **Completion of a minimum of two years of undergraduate work.** Transcripts must be provided to verify this.
- **Proof of acceptance into a specific program to teach special needs students**, i.e., letter from a counselor, dean, or administrator.
- **Two letters of recommendation**, one academic and one personal (not from a relative).
- **A short essay detailing school/ community/ work activities and achievements.**
- **An essay of 250-500 words discussing career goals, teaching philosophies, reasons for choosing this career, and ways in which you plan to make a difference in the lives of special needs students.**

P. Buckley Moss – Judith Cary Leadership Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____

Address, city, state, zip: _____

Telephone: () _____ E-Mail: _____

High School Attended and Year of Graduation: _____

College or University you are enrolled in for Bachelor's Degree in Special Education:

Master's Degree Applicants: College or University Attended, Year of Graduation, and Degree:

College or University you are enrolled in for Master's Degree in Special Education:

Describe yourself in three words:

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

Printed name and signature of P. Buckley Moss Society member making nomination:

_____ Membership #: _____

(If you have questions about nominations or other criteria, please contact us.)

IMPORTANT: Please submit an **ORIGINAL** completed application form **PLUS** three (3) **additional separate copies** of original in the **order listed** below. (i.e., send 4 completed, separate and in order listed applications.)

1. **Letter from advisor at school you are attending verifying course of study.** .
2. **Copy of college transcript** - unofficial
3. **Two letters of reference**, one academic and one personal (no relatives please).
4. **Please detail your school/community/work activities and achievements** on a separate sheet of paper.
5. **Include a short essay of 250-500 words**, on a separate sheet(s) of paper, in which you discuss your career goals, your teaching philosophies, your reasons for choosing this career, and ways in which you plan to make a difference in the lives of special needs students.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED

Incomplete meaning any of the items listed not included in one envelope of information. ***Make sure there are four (4) completed and separate packets in the above listed order.*** If you have questions, please call the Foundation office.

APPLICATION PACKETS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 31st.

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