



## **Deborah Simonsmeier Memorial Scholarship**

**Criteria to Apply:** Applicants wishing to apply for the scholarship must meet the following:

- Have applied for, if eligible, the NYS Volunteer Recruitment Services Scholarship
- Live, work and/or volunteer in Columbia County
- Looking to further their education in Emergency Services (Preference to EMS)

**Application Process:**

- Scholarship Application completed – available at [www.valatierescue.org](http://www.valatierescue.org)
- Attached essay should include applicant's goals, brief background information, etc.
- Official transcript from high school or other educational institution

**Scholarship Award:**

- Scholarship of up to \$1000.00 to be awarded once yearly.
- Scholarship announcement to be made annually at the golf tournament dinner.

**Scholarship Timeline:**

- Applications to be accepted throughout the year with a deadline of July 1<sup>st</sup> in order to discuss applications at the July board meeting.
- Scholarship decision to be made by August 1<sup>st</sup>, notification to the applicant along with invitation to the golf tournament to follow.

**Advertisement:**

- Contact schools in the area to distribute information
- Social media
- CC EMS/EMS Coordinators Office
- Local EMT/Paramedic Programs

**Scholarship Award to be used for:**

- Tuition
- School Fees
- Books/Required materials



Deborah Simonsmeier  
Memorial Golf Tournament  
Scholarship

**Scholarship Application**

**General Information:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Employer (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Information:**

High School Attended/Currently \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated/Expected \_\_\_\_\_

School Applicant plans to attend \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/Field of Interest \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Expected \_\_\_\_\_

What scholastic honors or distinctions have you received?

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**Additional Information:**

- One Important component of the application process is the submission of an essay along with a copy of an official transcript from high school or another educational institution.
- The essay should include a background history of yourself and should be able to answer;
  - Your reason for pursuing this particular field of study?
  - Future career and life goals?
  - How your plans will benefit Columbia County?

**If you have any questions regarding the application process please refer to the contact information below.**