17 Jackson Ave Oneonta, NY 13820

Dear Brother Secretary:

24th January 2022

Each year, the Otsego-Schoharie and Delaware Masonic Charities, Inc. (the Charities Corporation.) is pleased to announce that it intends to grant **four (4), seven hundred fifty dollar (\$750) scholarships** to deserving area graduating high school seniors. Please note that the successful applicants will receive one, seven hundred fifty dollar (\$750) check, payable upon proof of acceptance and enrollment to a school.

Also please note that these grants are open to *all* deserving students, and that a family Masonic connection is *not* a requirement. It is required, however, that the application be signed by a Master Mason in good standing of a lodge in the Central Leatherstocking Masonic District and then submitted to a Masonic Lodge for the Secretaries signature and lodge seal. They will then be sent to Alex Brannan on or **before Friday, April 15, 2022**.

These grants are not strictly needs based, although a student is welcome to attach a statement of financial need to their application. Neither are these grants strictly scholastic. The student's application will be reviewed by a "blind" committee, and their entire package, including letters of recommendations, their aspirations, need, and character will be assessed.

Should one or more of your students be successful in obtaining a grant, they will agree to attend a presentation dinner in their honor, and to have their name and picture placed in our local papers or websites as applicable. As always, the Charities Corporation expects that these awards will be announced at the graduation ceremony. This is a wonderful program that both assists our area students, and presents our Fraternity to the public in a positive light.

Fraternally yours,

Alexander D. Brannan Scholarship Committee Chair 17 Jackson ave Oneonta, NY 13820. <u>https://osdmasons.org/Scholarships</u>