

**REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE TO THE
WEST VIRGINIA ELKS ASSOCIATION AT ITS 2010 ANNUAL MEETING**

The West Virginia Elks Association Scholarship Committee had another outstanding year. With regard to the Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship Program, West Virginia selected 20 new winners. Our top four State winners had their Applications forwarded to the Elks National Foundation for further consideration, and are guaranteed of receiving a national award from the Elks National Foundation of at least \$1,000 a year for four years. In addition, 16 other high school seniors will receive a one-time \$1,000 scholarship from the West Virginia Elks Association.

Our four National winners are:

1. Breanna Nolan
Sistersville Lodge No. 333
2. Kayla Lantz
Clarksburg Lodge No. 482
3. Christian Martine
Beckley Lodge No. 1452
4. Landon Herrick
Sistersville Lodge No. 333

In addition, the following 16 individuals have also been selected to receive a one-time State Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 each:

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| 1. Sarah Abbott
Charleston Lodge No. 202 | 10. Lisa Liang
Morgantown Lodge No. 411 |
| 2. Alyssa Boucher
Martinsburg Lodge No. 778 | 11. Katie Palmer
Wheeling Lodge No. 28 |
| 3. Madison Bowles
Hinton Lodge No. 821 | 12. Morgan Plumley
Hinton Lodge No. 821 |
| 4. Christian Cummings
Fairmont Lodge No. 294 | 13. Raice Stevens
Huntington Lodge No. 313 |
| 5. John Daly
Charleston Lodge No. 202 | 14. Michael Van Camp
Sistersville Lodge No. 333 |
| 6. Cody Dean
Beckley Lodge No. 1452 | 15. Chelsea Wells
Sistersville Lodge No. 333 |
| 7. Lauren Dittebrand
Charleston Lodge No. 202 | 16. Rami Zein
Princeton Lodge No. 1459 |
| 8. Joseph Feeney
Sistersville Lodge No. 333 | |
| 9. Morgan Johnson
Elkins Lodge No. 1135 | |

All 20 of these individuals have been invited, along with their families, to our mid-year meeting in Weirton on Saturday, August 14, 2010. I am hopeful at that time that each of you will have the opportunity to meet many of these outstanding young individuals and their families.

The Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards for the 2010-2011 academic year have also been announced by the Elks National Foundation Office. The following three individuals will each receive four year scholarships of \$1,000.00/year from the Elks National Foundation:

1. Madison Bowles
Hinton Lodge No. 821
2. Rachael Nolan
Huntington Lodge No. 313
3. Chelsea Wells
Sistersville Lodge No. 333

Finally, only a few West Virginians continue to take advantage of monies available from the Elks National Foundation Emergency Educational Grant Program. For the 2009-2010 academic year, the following individual received a grant from that program:

1. Rebecca L. Haught
Sistersville Lodge No. 333
\$3000.00

I encourage all Lodges to make known to their members the availability of monies from the Elks National Foundation Emergency Educational Grant Program. Anyone having any questions regarding that program should contact me directly.

In closing, I wish to thank my District Chairmen for their continued outstanding assistance. They are Bill Verelst in the Northern District, Ashley Martin in the Central District, and Chris McGuffin in the Southern District. On behalf of the entire Scholarship Committee, I look forward to introducing you to many of these outstanding individuals at our mid-year meeting in Weirton.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Miller, Chairman
West Virginia Elks Association
State Scholarship Committee