OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMS

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Howard E. and Wilma J. Adkins Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college junior or senior-level student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students. Applicant must have maintained a minimum 3.2 grade point average in engineering, scientific and technical subjects, and a 2.8 overall grade point average. Financial need is not required to qualify. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending school in the states of Wisconsin or Kentucky. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specified area for a minimum of one year.) No financial need is required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

Airgas – Jerry Baker Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college undergraduate pursuing a minimum four-year degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students interested in pursuing a career with an industrial gas or welding equipment distributor. Applicant must have a minimum 2.8 overall grade point average, with a 3.0 grade point average in engineering courses. Financial need is not required to qualify; however, priority will be given to those who demonstrate a financial need. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the states of Alabama, Georgia or Florida. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specific area for a minimum of one year.) Also, complete a 300-500 word essay on “Why I Want to Pursue a Career with an Industrial Gas or Welding Equipment Distributor.” The applicant must be a citizen of the United States or Canada and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States or Canada.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

Airgas – Terry Jarvis Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college undergraduate pursuing a minimum four-year degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students interested in pursuing a career with an industrial gas or welding equipment distributor. Applicant must have a minimum 2.8 overall grade point average, with a 3.0 grade point average in engineering courses. Financial need is not required to qualify; however, priority will be given to those who demonstrate a financial need. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the states of Alabama, Georgia or Florida. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specific area for a minimum of one year.) Also, complete a 300-500 word essay on “Why I Want to Pursue a Career with an Industrial Gas or Welding Equipment Distributor.” The applicant must be a citizen of the United States or Canada and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States or Canada.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.
**William A. and Ann M. Brothers Scholarship**

Awarded to a full-time college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding or welding related program at an accredited university. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the state of Ohio. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specific area for a minimum of one year.) Proof of financial need is required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $3,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

**ESAB Welding & Cutting Products Scholarship at Southeastern Institute for Manufacturing and Technology**

Scholarship endowed by ESAB Welding & Cutting Products in Florence, South Carolina for a student in the welding program at SiMT.

**Donald F. Hastings Scholarship**

Awarded to a college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the states of Ohio or California. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specific area for a minimum of one year.) Proof of financial need is required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

**Don and Shirley Hastings Scholarship**

Awarded to a college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the states of Iowa, Ohio or California. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specific area for a minimum of one year.) Proof of financial need is required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

**William B. Howell Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded to a full-time college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year degree in a welding program at an accredited university. Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending schools in the states of Florida, Michigan and Ohio. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. Proof of financial need is required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.
Robert L. Peaslee – Detroit Brazing and Soldering Division Scholarship

Awarded to a college junior or senior pursuing a minimum four year bachelors degree, or a graduate student, in welding engineering, welding engineering technology, or materials joining science, with an emphasis on brazing or soldering applications. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 in engineering courses. Financial need is not required to qualify. The applicant may be a citizen of any country and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States or Canada.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

Praxair International Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering or welding engineering technology; however, priority will be given to welding engineering students. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. The applicant must demonstrate leadership abilities through clubs, organizations, extra-curricular academic activities, community involvement, etc. Financial need is not required; however, it would be a primary consideration in prioritizing top candidates.

The applicant must be a United States or Canadian citizen and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States or Canada.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

RWMA Scholarship

This scholarship, established in 2005 by the Resistance Welder Manufacturers’ Association to perpetuate its legacy of support for welding education, is for a junior level student in a four year program for Welding Engineering or Welding Engineering Technology. The applicant must express an interest in the resistance welding process while pursuing a career in welding engineering, and must take one semester in resistance welding. This scholarship is available to U. S. and Canadian citizens attending an accredited academic institution located within the United States or Canada.

The applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average and provide an essay of 500 words or less about why the student wishes to become involved in the resistance welding industry.

The award is $2,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The deadline is February 15, for the following fall term.

James A. Turner, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college student pursuing a minimum four-year Bachelors of Business Degree that will lead to a management career in welding store operations or a welding distributorship. Applicant must have a minimum high school diploma and be employed (at least 10 hours a week) in a welding store operation or at a welding distributorship at the time the application is submitted. Financial need is not required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $3,500, and is granted on an annual basis. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.
Ronald Theiss – Houston Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the AWS Houston Section to honor Ron Theiss. The award is $1,000.

Ron VanArsdale – Houston Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the AWS Houston Section to honor Ron VanArsdale. The award is $500.

Paul O’Leary Memorial – Idaho/Montana Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the AWS Idaho/Montana Section in memory of Mr. O’Leary. The award is $500.

Lehigh Valley Section – Professor Robert D. Stout Scholarship
This award is sponsored by the AWS Lehigh Valley Section to honor Dr. Stout. The award is $1,250

Ronald C. and Joyce Pierce – Mobile Section Named Scholarship
The award sponsored by Ronald C. Pierce, Chairman, AWS Foundation, AWS Past President, and Joyce Pierce, to pursue a degree in engineering. The student must have a minimum 2.7 overall grade point average, and be a full-time college sophomore, junior, or senior. The award is $2,500.

Shelton L. Ritter – New Orleans Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the New Orleans Section. The award is $1,250.

AWS Northwest Section Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the Northwest Section. The award is $500.

James W. Gardner – Ozark Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the Ozark Section and numerous friends and family. The award is $500.

Puget Sound Section #41 Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the Puget Sound Section. The award is $750.

Tri-Tool – Sacramento Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by Tri-Tool, Inc. and the AWS Sacramento Section. The award is $1,000.

Louis DeFreitas – Santa Clara Section Named Scholarship
The award is sponsored by the Santa Clara Section in honor of Louis DeFreitas, a long-time member of the Section. The award is $3,000.

Donald and Jean Cleveland – Willamette Valley Section Named Scholarship
This award is sponsored by Donald and the late Jean Cleveland in memory of their parents John and Tressie Barrong and Claude and Ruth Cleveland. The award is $1,250.

DISTRICT NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS

AWS District 3 Scholarship
Sponsored by District 3 and the Baltimore Section. The award is $500.

Shirley Bollinger – District 3 Named Scholarship
This award is sponsored by ESAB Welding & Cutting Products and the AWS York Central Pennsylvania Section to honor Shirley Bollinger, a long-time ESAB employee and AWS Past President. The award is $750.

Bill Myers – District 6 Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the former AWS Allegheny Section. The award is $500.

Ed Cable-Bug-O – District 7 Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by Bug-O Systems and is for a student pursuing a certificate or degree in welding or a related field with an interest in welding automation or mechanization. The student must be full time with a minimum GPA of 3.0, and have an interest in welding automation or mechanization. The award is $1,250.