Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association
Rudolph Grob Memorial Scholarship

The Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association is pleased to be able offer two annual scholarships in the amount of $1,000 in memory of Rudolph Grob of Millersville who served the Association for 50 years as a Director, 20 years as Secretary Treasurer and for over 20 years as manager of the Association’s Farm Show Booth. Mr. Grob was a horticulture graduate of Penn State University who was employed for many years at Funks Farm Market in Millersville.

The funds for the scholarships are generated by a portion of the interest earned by the Association’s Keystone Fund, an endowment type fund created by the voluntary extra dues paid the Keystone Members of the Association.

The purpose of the scholarships is to assist children and grandchildren of Association members in obtaining an associate or a baccalaureate degree that will enable them to pursue a career in the vegetable, potato or berry production industries. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be a child or grandchild of an Association member who has been a member in good standing for one or more years;
- be currently enrolled or be planning to enroll in a two-year associate degree or four-year baccalaureate degree program at an accredited institution;
- be in good academic standing; and
- be intent on pursuing a career in the vegetable, potato, or berry production industries.

The $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to two students for a one-year period. Recipients may apply for a renewal although preference will be given to other qualified students over previous recipients. It is not a need based scholarship. Payment of the funds will be made directly to the institution.

The following items must be included with a completed application form:
- A copy of the most recent academic transcript.
- Two letters of reference from someone outside of the immediate family.
- A typed essay (approximately 500 words) on one of the following topics:
  • Describe the biggest issue that has faced the vegetable/potato/berry Industry in Pennsylvania in the last five years or that the Industry will face in the next five years and how you plan to deal with this issue in your future career, or
  • Describe your previous experiences with the vegetable/potato/berry Industry and the role you hope to play in the Pennsylvania vegetable/potato/berry Industry upon graduation.

Applications must be postmarked by March 31. The applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, which may request to interview the applicant in person or by telephone or to contact college or high school advisors and/or references. Announcement of the scholarship will be made by June 1. Applications should be mailed to:

Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association
815 Middle Road
Richfield, PA 17086-9205
Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association
Rudolph Grob Memorial Scholarship
Application

Name __________________________________________
Date of Birth ___/___/______
Permanent Address ______________________________________
City/State/Zip Code ______________________________________
Phone __________________
Email Address __________________________

Parents’ or Guardians’ Name(s), Address(es) and Phone Number(s)
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College/University _________________________________
College Semesters Completed (if any) _________________________________
Overall GPA ___________________ Anticipated Graduation Date _________________
Major ____________________________
Area of Interest ______________________
Anticipated Career _____________________________
High School or College Advisor __________________
Phone Number __________________
High School & Year Graduated _____________________________

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Please attach additional sheets if you need more space for any of the questions.

1. List your high school or on-campus activities, involvement in student organizations, any leadership positions and years of participation:

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2. List your participation in any civic or public service activities (on or off-campus):

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3. List any work experience you’ve had in or related to the vegetable, potato, or berry industries:

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4. List any scholarships or awards you have received (including honor roll):

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5. Briefly explain your career aspirations and how you plan to contribute to the Pennsylvania vegetable, potato or berry industries after graduation:

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