

2011 LOCAL LODGE 1976 ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: First place \$750.00. The award check will be given in the name of the student and school when confirmation is received.

ELIGIBILITY: Available to members and dependents of members (as defined by the IRS) of L.L. 1976 in good standing for at least one year. Applicants must be enrolled full or part time in an accredited program. Award priorities will be as follows: Graduating High School seniors first, followed by all other eligible applicants.

ESSAY RULES: The subject of the 2011 essay competition will be: **Union membership has been on the decline for a number of years. What are some of the factors causing this and what can be done to turn the tide?**

All essays must be a minimum of 1000 words and a maximum of 1500 words typed on 8 ½" by 11" white bond paper and e-mailed to robert.hogan@usairways.com. The title must be placed at the top of the paper and no entrants name or identification may appear on the essay paper. A bibliography of sources for Essay material must be included. The work must be the work of the entrant or the entrant will be disqualified. The Essay will become the property of LL 1976 and may be published in the L.L. 1976 Newsletter or Web Page using the contestants name and picture. Failure to complete the application form in full will result in the applicant's disqualification. The award must be picked up at a L.L. 1976 monthly meeting.

TIME TABLE: The Essay Competition will be open February 7 and entries must be postmarked by midnight April 29. The winner will be announced upon completion of the judging process.

JUDGING: The winner will be chosen by an independent panel of judges appointed by the education committee. The decision of the judges is final.

HANDLING: Upon receipt, essays will be separated from their entry form and a number assigned to each. All judging will be done using the assigned number. When an essay is chosen the committee will match the number with the appropriate entry form to identify the contest winner.

MAILING: Entries must be mailed and postmarked no later than midnight April 29. The entry form and essay must be mailed to the L.L. 1976 address shown on the entry form. The word '**ESSAY**' must appear in the lower left hand corner of the envelope.

QUESTIONS: May be referred to the Education Committee: Robert Reiland, Shift 1, 412-472-7364... Bruce Mead, Shift 2, 412-472-7364 or Bob Hogan, Shift 1, 412-472-7336.

Entry forms may be picked up at the hangar 3/4 Union Office or downloaded at www.pal1976.org.