### VFW Auxiliary 3020 Bernie McNamee Service Award

The VFW Post 3020 Auxiliary is offering an award to honor the memory of Bernie McNamee. Bernie was a founding member of Post 3020's Men's Auxiliary in 2003 and served as president from 2003 to 2005. He forged relationships with local townspeople through his trade as a butcher and was a leader in volunteerism that helped service VFW Post 3020, its veterans, their families and the community. One of his favorite events was our yearly pig roast, which we continue today. After his passing, we renamed the event the Bernie McNamee Annual Pig Roast. This is our most successful fundraiser, and it allows us to present this award. The auxiliary was lucky to have Bernie dedicate his time to our cause as both a president and a brother, and we hope the recipient will exemplify the same leadership and commitment to service.

We are proud to offer \$500 to the child or grandchild of a Post 3020 Auxiliary member who demonstrates a commitment to volunteer service in the community. The auxiliary member sponsoring the applicant must have a membership that is current and has been for at least two consecutive years. This award is open to any eligible child or grandchild, regardless of residency.

To be considered for this award, applicants must be graduating from high school in the current year and continuing their education with acceptance and enrollment in a college or university, or a trade school or program. Eligible students will submit the below application with a 500-word essay as detailed below.

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#### **ESSAY SUBJECT:**

In 500 words, describe the importance volunteerism has to you, and how you have and will continue to demonstrate support for your community through service dedicated to others.

#### TO APPLY:

Must meet auxiliary member eligibility guidelines and complete and submit both the required essay and application to the Delran VFW. The essay will be typed on white paper in 12pt font in Times New Roman, double spaced. No digital submissions will be accepted. <u>The deadline is</u> <u>March 30, 2024</u>. Applications and essays will be brought in or mailed directly to the Post. Any submitted by mail must be postmarked by March 30.

Late, incomplete, or ineligible applications will not be considered.

#### <u>Please send completed application and essay to:</u>

VFW Post 3020 c/o Aux Awards Committee

1125 S. Fairview St

Delran NJ 08075

Questions? Email vfwauxiliary3020@yahoo.com

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Applicant Name:
Address:
Phone:
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Post Graduation Plans:
Auxiliary Parent or Grandparent Name and Relationship to Applicant:
Auxiliary Parent or Grandparent Address:
Applicant Signature:
Date: