Date: November 7, 2012

To: Educators

From: Nazhia L. Prado-Pulido

Subject: AWS Financial Aid Information

Enclosed, please find a copy of our Financial Aid Program Overview for the 2013-2014 school year and a copy of our District Scholarship Program.

The Overview provides a brief description of all programs and deadlines for each scholarship offered through the AWS Foundation. Copies for each individual application may be downloaded from our website at www.aws.org/foundation/.

The District Scholarship Program is available to students enrolled in a welding-related educational or training program. The deadline is March 1, for the following fall term. The application may be duplicated or you may contact our office for additional copies.

The AWS Foundation is dedicated to meeting the needs for education and research in the field of welding and related joining technologies.

If you have questions, or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at 800-443-9353, extension 250, or email at nprado-pulido@aws.org.
AWS Foundation

DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

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- If you do not use the entire scholarship during the fiscal year, the remainder will be returned to the AWS Foundation Scholarship Fund.
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- Selections are affected by the number of applicants, their respective qualifications and funds available. If you are selected to receive a scholarship during any fiscal year, AWS is not obligated to continue financial assistance for subsequent years.
- Whether or not you have been selected for a scholarship, you will be notified by mail.

What eligibility requirements must I meet?

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Application Checklist:

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- Supply financial aid statement
- Include transcripts from all applicable schools
- Prepare personal statement of career goals
- Mention influential welding instructor
- Do not send photograph of applicant
American Welding Society
District Scholarship Application

Student ID Number __________________ AWS Member (optional) Y/N If yes, # _____ Date ______

Applicant’s Name ____________________________

Current Address ____________________________ Email ____________________________

City __________________ State __________ Postal Code __________________________

Home Phone (___) ___________ Cell Phone (___) ___________ Work Phone (___) __________

Parent/Guardian’s Name ____________________________
(If under 18 years of age)

Parent/Guardian’s Address ____________________________

City __________________ State __________ Postal Code __________________________

Are you employed? If so, please provide the following:

Employer’s Name ____________________________

Employer’s Phone Number (___) ___________ Supervisor’s Name __________________________

Proposed School (Institute, College or University) __________________________

Address ____________________________

City __________________ State __________ Postal Code __________________________

Proposed Major Area of Study ____________________________

Starting Date ____________________________ Expected Date of Graduation __________________________

I affirm that the information I have provided on this application and the supporting material is complete, accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that furnishing false information may result in not being considered or revocation of financial aid at some later date.

Applicant Signature ____________________________ Date ______

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Hometown Newspaper ____________________________ Contact Name ____________________________

Mailing address ____________________________ Contact Telephone ____________________________

If you are selected as a District Scholarship recipient, the AWS Foundation may request your photograph and/or testimonial for promotion and public relations purposes. Please indicate below:

☐ Yes, I will approve use of my information/photo  ☐ No, I will not approve the use of my information/photo

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Instructor's Name: __________________ School or Educational Institute: __________________

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NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

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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.

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Airgas – Terry Jarvis Memorial Scholarship

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**Hypertherm – International ByTech Leadership Scholarship**

Awarded to a graduate student pursuing an advanced degree in engineering management within the welding and cutting industry. Applicant must have completed a Bachelor of Science degree or be in the final year, and have been accepted for graduate work in engineering management at an accredited graduate school. Applicant must have graduated with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.8. Financial need is not required; however, priority will be given to those demonstrating a financial need. The applicant must complete a personal statement with text addressing proposed advanced academic and post-academic plans. The applicant may be a citizen of any country and plan to attend an academic institution located in any country.

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.

**John C. Lincoln Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded to a college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelor's 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 Arizona. (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.

**Matsumi Bridge Company, Ltd. of Japan Scholarship**

Awarded to a college junior or senior, or graduate student pursuing a minimum four-year degree in civil engineering, welding engineering, welding engineering technology, or related discipline. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Financial need is not required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States. The applicant must be enrolled full or part time in an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500 and granted on an annual basis. The check will be issued to the recipient’s academic institution. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term.

**Miller Electric Mfg. Co. Scholarships**

Awarded to a college student who will be a senior in a four-year bachelor's degree in welding engineering technology (WET) or welding engineering (WE); however, priority will be given to welding engineering technology (WET) students. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Priority will be given to students attending Ferris State University. Priority will be given to the students who exhibit a strong interest in welding equipment and has prior work experience in the welding equipment field. Proof of financial need is not required. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

Two awards are available for $3,000 each. The award is one time only and non-renewable. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

**Past Presidents Scholarship**

Award sponsored by AWS and its past presidents to provide financial assistance to those individuals interested in pursuing a bachelor’s degree in welding engineering, welding engineering technology, or an engineering program with an emphasis on welding (bonding and joining included), or be a graduate student pursuing a Masters or Doctorate in engineering and/or management. Proof of financial need is required to qualify.

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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.

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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.

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This scholarship, established in 2005 by the Resistance Welder Manufacturers' Association to perpetuate its legacy of support for welding education, is for a student finishing his/her sophomore year and entering their junior year 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.

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**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.

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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.
Arsham Amerikian Engineering Scholarship

Awarded to a college undergraduate pursuing a minimum four-year degree in civil engineering or welding related program at an accredited university. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 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 accredited engineering school 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.

Jack R. Burckhoff Welding Management Scholarship

Awarded to a college junior pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering at The Ohio State University. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average. Applicant will be expected to enroll and complete the 2-hour credit course in Total Welding Management at The Ohio State University during his/her senior year. Proof of financial need is not required to qualify.

Applicant must complete a 300-500 word essay on how they see their role once they have graduated in improving the world of welding and the welding industry in the United States. And, how will they use their education to improve the U. S. competitive position in welding and manufacturing. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States.

Two awards for $2,500 each are available. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

D. Fred and Marian L. Boyle Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time undergraduate pursuing a minimum four-year degree in welding engineering at The Ohio State University. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Financial need is not required to qualify.

Electrical engineering candidates will be considered if there are no qualified welding engineering candidates. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States.

One award for $3,000 is available. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

D. Fred and Marian L. Boyle Technical Scholarship

Awarded to a student pursuing an Associates degree in welding. Applicant must have a minimum 2.8 grade point average, and may be enrolled full or part time. Financial need is required to qualify. One award for $2,000 for tuition and fees only. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

Edward J. Brady Memorial 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, and provide a letter of reference indicating previous hands-on welding experience, and complete a 300-500 word essay on “Why I Want to Pursue a Career in Welding.” 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 A. and Ann M. Brothers Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time college undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelor's 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 bachelor's 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 bachelor's 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.
Hypertherm - International HyTech Leadership Scholarship

Awarded to a graduate student pursuing an advanced degree in engineering management within the welding and cutting industry. Applicant must have completed a Bachelor of Science degree or be in the final year, and have been accepted for graduate work in engineering management at an accredited graduate school. Applicant must have graduated with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.8. Financial need is not required; however, priority will be given to those demonstrating a financial need. The applicant must complete a personal statement with text addressing proposed advanced academic and post-academic plans. The applicant may be a citizen of any country and plan to attend an academic institution located in any country.

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.

John C. Lincoln Memorial 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 Arizona. (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.

Matsuo Bridge Company, Ltd. of Japan Scholarship

Awarded to a college junior or senior, or graduate student pursuing a minimum four year degree in civil engineering, welding engineering, welding engineering technology, or related discipline. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Financial need is not required to qualify. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States. The applicant must be enrolled full or part time in an academic institution located within the United States.

The award is $2,500 and granted on an annual basis. The check will be issued to the recipient’s academic institution. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term.

Miller Electric Mfg. Co. Scholarships

Awarded to a college student who will be a senior in a four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering technology (WET) or welding engineering (WE); however, priority will be given to welding engineering technology (WET) students. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average. Priority will be given to students attending Ferris State University. Priority will be given to the students who exhibit a strong interest in welding equipment and has prior work experience in the welding equipment field. Proof of financial need is not required. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States.

Two awards are available for $3,000 each. The award is one time only and non-renewable. The application deadline is February 15, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

Past Presidents Scholarship

Award sponsored by AWS and its past presidents to provide financial assistance to those individuals interested in pursuing a bachelor’s degree in welding engineering, welding engineering technology, or an engineering program with an emphasis on welding (bonding and joining included), or be a graduate student pursuing a Masters or Doctorate in engineering and/or management. Proof of financial need is required to qualify.

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 student finishing his/her sophomore year and entering their junior year 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.
Miller Electric World Skills Competition Scholarship

To become eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must compete in the national SkillsUSA Competition for welding, and advance to the AWS Weld Trials at the AWS Show, which is held on a bi-annual basis. The scholarships will be awarded under the following guidelines:

The winner of the U. S. Weld Trial Competition will receive the following:
The Miller Electric Mfg. Co. Scholarship consisting of up to $10,000 per year for a period of four consecutive years (total maximum $40,000); Up to $1,000 in AWS Publications; a four-year complimentary full AWS membership; an AWS Certification to which he/she qualifies at the trials.

Winner qualifies for this award with his/her successful completion of the World Skills Competition; otherwise student accepts an award equivalent to a runner-up scholarship.

The runners-up of the U. S. Weld Trial Competition will receive:
A $1,000 scholarship to be used within two years of the Weld Trial Competition; a one-year complimentary full AWS membership; an AWS Certification to which he/she qualifies at the trials.

Runners-up are eligible to receive awards on June 1, following the Weld Trial Competition and upon successful completion of the appropriate application information.

Scholarships to runners-up may be requested anytime within a two-year time span of the Weld Trial Competition.

Educational purposes include any post secondary course(s) related to the field of welding or related joining technologies (i.e. - certificate programs, two-year programs, four-year programs, seminars, workshops, certification courses, etc.)

Distribution of awards will be made directly to the student’s academic institution and/or educational organization. No payments will be made directly to the student.

Students agree to participate in AWS, AWS Foundation and/or sponsored publicity related to the Weld Trial Competition.

Awarding of scholarships shall be discretionary and subject to availability of funds.

SECTION NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS

O. J. Templet Memorial – Baton Rouge Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by BR Welding Supply and other donors in memory of O. J. Templet. The award is $750.

Amos and Marilyn Winsand – Detroit Section Named Scholarship
The award is sponsored by Amos and Marilyn Winsand, and the AWS Detroit Section. The recipient must be enrolled in a two or four-year program, and be a resident of Michigan or attend a Michigan college. The scholarship is for an Associates or Bachelors degree in Welding Engineering, Welding Engineering Technology, or a related field, and the funds are for tuition, books, and/or lab fees. The award is $2,500.

Dietrich and Betty Roth Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Roth for a student pursuing a two year or four year degree in welding in the state of Michigan. The student must have completed their first year of higher education, be a full time student, and have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0. Preference is given to students in the field of resistance welding. The award is $2,500.

Dennis K. Eck – Houston Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by Mr. Eck for students in the AWS Houston Section. The award is $1,000.

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

Dr. Daryl Morgan – Houston Section Named Scholarship
This scholarship is sponsored by the AWS Houston Section to honor Dr. Morgan. The award is $500.
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.

Northwest Section Mike Albers/Production Engineering 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.
**AWS-Detroit Section, District 11 Fred Ellicott Scholarship for Arc Welding**
This endowed scholarship, sponsored by the AWS Detroit Section, was first awarded in 2009 and named to honor Fred Ellicott. Fred is the 'Father' of the Detroit Section High School Welding Contest and has contributed his talents to this event since its inception over 35 years ago. He also contributed to the formation of the Detroit Section scholarship program, honoring the first recipient with their award in 1974. The Section is proud to have one of its district scholarships named in his honor. The award is $1,250.

**AWS-Detroit Section, District 11 Dietrich Roth Scholarship for Resistance Welding**
This endowed scholarship, sponsored by the AWS Detroit Section, was first awarded in 2009 and named to honor Dietrich Roth. Dietrich has been a member of AWS for over 40 years and has held various key roles within the organization. These include serving on over 35 committees, Chairman of the AWS West Michigan Section, trustee on the AWS National Treasury Committee for 9 years and a member of the RWMA for 45 years. Additionally, Dietrich was an instructor at the RWMA Welding School for over 30 years. The Section is proud to have one of its district scholarships named in his honor. The award is $1,250.

**District 22 Named Scholarship**
This endowed scholarship is sponsored by the Fresno, Sacramento, Santa Clara, and Sierra Nevada Sections. The award is $1,100.

**DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIPS**

Awarded to students enrolled in a welding-related educational or training program. Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess a G. E. D. equivalent. The school must be located in the United States or its territories. Financial need is not required to qualify.

Each award is an average of $500 - $1,000, and is granted on an annual basis. Awards are selected at the District level, based on the quantity and quality of the applicants. The application deadline is March 1, for the following fall term. Funding is made available June 1 – May 31.

**INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**AWS International Scholarship**

International Scholarships will be awarded to full time international students pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in joining sciences. Applicants can be matriculating in accredited joining science programs at institutions anywhere in the world. The student must be in the top 20% of the institution's grading system. Proof of country citizenship is required. The student must have completed at least one year of welding or related field of study at a Baccalaureate degree-granting institution. Official proof of acceptance from the academic institution is required. Scholarship funds are for tuition and fee expenses only, not to exceed $2,500 (US dollars/year.) Deadline is April 1.

**GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS**

The AWS Fellowship is awarded to the student for graduate research toward a Masters or Ph.D. Degree under a sponsoring professor at a North American University. The qualifications of the Graduate Student are key elements to be considered in the award. The academic credentials, plans and research history (if any) of the student should be provided. The student must prepare the proposal for the AWS Fellowship. However, the proposal must be under the auspices of a professor and accompanied by one or more letters of recommendation from the sponsoring professor or others acquainted with the student's technical capabilities. Topics for the AWS Fellowship may span the full range of the joining industry.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** about qualifications regarding each program or to request an application package, call the AWS Foundation office at 800-443-9353, extension 250.