



HARVESTBALL
SOCIETY

2017 VICTORY Honoree Application

Volunteerism In the Community Through Organized Recognition of Youth

Deadline: April 30, 2017

Complete the application and e-mail to: Karin Shaughnessey, Chair, VICTORY Honorees
KShaughnessey@ReeceNichols.com

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Honoree Selection Criteria and Guidelines

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- High school graduate, 21-26 years of age.
- Man or woman with strong ties to the Northland community.
- Citizen of the United States of America.
- Individual who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the area of scholarship, leadership, community service and volunteerism.

In order to be considered by the selection committee, each applicant must submit the following:

- A completed application by the deadline date on or before **April 30, 2016**
- A recent 3½ x 5" or 4" x 6" high resolution, high quality head shot for printing
- Two letters of reference. References may be submitted directly to the VICTORY Honoree Chair, but the applicant is responsible for making sure deadlines are met. References may be personal, professional, academic or civic. Balanced references enhance the application.

The application process is confidential. Selection is the responsibility of the Harvest Ball Society Honoree Selection Committee. The Selection Committee serves at the direction of the Harvest Ball Society Board of Directors and is guided by its policies and procedures. If not selected, an applicant may re-apply in future years.

Expenses for the Harvest Ball Society events are noted below and are generally the responsibility of each Honoree. In the event the Honoree or the Honoree's parents are unable to pay expenses, the Honoree may apply, in confidentiality, for financial sponsorship. Upon selection, the Honoree should apply for the financial sponsorship by contacting the VICTORY Honoree Chair.

Expenses include formal attire for Harvest Ball gala event as selected by the committee and purchased (women) or rented (men) by the Honoree. The Honoree and one guest's tickets to the Harvest Ball is complimentary; however, any additional guests or family members of the Honoree will have the financial responsibility for their own seating at the Harvest Ball. Each Honoree will be escorted by one parent or parent role model during the introduction and presentation of VICTORY Honorees at the gala. The Harvest Ball will be held **Saturday, November 18, 2017**.

Honorees and their mothers (or other adult role model) are invited to the **Honoree Brunch the morning of June 10, 2017**. Attendance at the Honoree Brunch does not require the purchase of a ticket by either the Honoree or his/her guest. At this event the Honorees are introduced to each other, and photos are taken for press releases and other publicity related to the Honoree Program and the Harvest Ball. Honorees are requested to dress in "Sunday Best" attire: coat and tie for the men and daytime (church) dress for the women.

Honorees are expected to organize and complete a service project and/or fundraiser with their Honoree class. More information about this and other volunteer opportunities will be provided at the Honoree Brunch.

The presence of Honorees is expected at **Adorn Style Show & Brunch in September 2017 (location to be announced)**. The Honoree and one guest's tickets are complimentary; however, ticket cost of the Style Show for additional family and guests is the responsibility of the Honoree or his/her additional guests.

Once selected, an Honoree is expected to be responsive to all inquiries and communication disseminated by the Chair of the VICTORY Honoree Committee. The Honoree must meet all deadlines for making reservations, ordering formalwear, purchasing tickets or requesting financial sponsorship as outlined by the Harvest Ball Society Honoree Selection Committee.

The Harvest Ball Society does not discriminate for any reason, including an applicant's race, religion, gender, orientation, mental or physical challenge or ability to pay expenses associated with the ball.

In the event an Honoree does not meet his or her obligations regarding communication, deadlines and attendance at required events, the Harvest Ball Society Honoree Selection Committee shall have the discretion to withdraw the candidate from participation.



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Complete this form in its entirety. Please submit the information as a printed document. You may submit on separate paper as space provides. A recent 3½ x 5" or 4 x 6" headshot photo of professional quality must be submitted with this application. References may be submitted separately.

I. Personal Information

- Full Name (First, Last, Middle) _____
- Preferred Name _____
- Home Address _____
- City, State, Zip _____
- School Address (if applicable) _____
- Date of Birth ___/___/___
- Applicant Telephone (include area codes)
 - Home _____
 - Cell _____
- E-mail Address _____
- Parents Name and Address(es) – to include first and names
[Ex: Mr. and Mrs. James (Donna) Smith] or separate addresses if that is appropriate.

II. High School Information

- Name of High School _____
- Date of Graduation _____

III. College Information

- Name of College _____
- Location _____
- Dates Attended _____
- Degree(s) earned or expected graduation date and degree(s) you are pursuing.

- GPA _____

IV. Employment Information

If you are a college graduate and are now employed, please provide the following:

- Employer/Company: _____
- Employer/Company Location: _____
- Job Title: _____
- Brief description of your position/responsibilities:

V. Service

Describe, in order of personal significance, your involvement in philanthropic service within your community. Please be specific about the degree of your participation and/or leadership role in the philanthropic service.

VI. Leadership

Describe your top three (3) experiences, activities or roles that demonstrate personal leadership. (List in order of personal significance)

VII. Co-curricular Activities

Describe, in order of personal significance, co-curricular activities in college.

VIII. Scholarship

List significant scholastic achievements in order of personal significance. This may include: Honors programs, Dean's List or other recognition or awards, scholarships awarded, honor societies, scholastic research or other scholastic accomplishments.

IX. Future Community Involvement

Community involvement and volunteerism are critical to the mission of the Harvest Ball Society organization. How do you plan to continue to give back to your community?

X. Personal Goals

List three (3) personal and/or professional goals.

1.

2.

3.

Required References

Applicants are required to provide two personal, professional, academic or civic references that are not family members. Please request that the writers of your letters of reference e-mail or mail letters no later than April 30, 2016. Please submit to:

Karin Shaughnessey
Chair, VICTORY Honorees
KShaughnessey@ReeceNichols.com

Reference Names

Company/Relationship

Telephone

VICTORY Honoree Agreement

If selected as a VICTORY Honoree, I understand and agree to the following:

- I will attend The Harvest Ball and participate in the Honoree presentation on Saturday, November 18, 2017.
- I will participate in pre-Ball recognition functions: Honoree Brunch on June 10, 2017 and Harvest Ball Society Adorn Style Show & Brunch in September 2017 (location to be announced).
- I understand that the 2017 Honoree Class will organize and complete a service project and/or fundraiser. I will participate in this event to the best of my ability.
- I understand that my ticket, and that of one guest, to the Harvest Ball Society Adorn Style Show & Brunch is complimentary, and that additional seating for my guests will be the financial responsibility of my guests.*
- I understand that I will be required to dress for The Harvest Ball in formal attire as selected by the Honoree chair and Harvest Ball Society president, and that I will bear the expense for such attire.*
- I understand my ticket, and that of one guest OR that of my escort, to the Harvest Ball is complimentary, and that additional seating for my guests will be the financial responsibility of my guests.*
- I understand and agree that the information I have provided on or with my application may be used by Harvest Ball Society for all honorary and promotional purposes, including but not limited to: the printed program, the HBS web site, the Ball presentation, Adorn Style Show & Brunch introductions, press releases and media publicity.
- I agree that any photo submitted by me or taken of me in connection with the Harvest Ball events may also be used for all honorary and promotional purposes by Harvest Ball Society.
- I confirm that all information provided on the attached application is accurate.

Applicant's Signature

Date

*Expenses for formal attire are estimated at \$125 for men and \$350 for women. Tickets to the Fashion Show are estimated to be \$85 and tickets to The Harvest Ball are estimated to be \$200 each. If the Honoree (or family member selected to escort the Honoree) is unable to meet any of these expenses, an Honoree may apply, in confidentiality, for financial sponsorship by contacting the VICTORY Honoree Chair at the time of selection.



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Harvest Ball Society seeks to honor an exemplary group of young people who stand as an example of an "elite" class in the Northland – not because of their socioeconomic status, but because of their contributions to their community.

The following young adult has been nominated as a VICTORY Honoree and requests that you complete a letter of reference that addresses the pillars of the Honoree program – scholarship, leadership and community service – through his/her academics, community/civic involvement and service activities. Please include information about the ways or activities in which you have observed the nominee.

(insert name and address of nominee)

Your letter of reference may be e-mailed to the Director of VICTORY Honorees of the Harvest Ball Society:

Ms. Karin Shaughnessey
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