



**VICENZA COMMUNITY CLUB
PIA MANETTI SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

**FOR POST HIGH SCHOOL
DEPENDENTS OF
VCC MEMBERS
FALL 2017**

VCC Pia Manetti
Continuing Education Scholarship
(For Dependents of Vicenza Community Club Members)
FALL 2017

Thank you for your interest in the VCC Pia Manetti Continuing Education Scholarship. This Scholarship is in memory of Pia Manetti to assist Dependents of VCC Members who are actively pursuing continuing education opportunities.

Maria Pia Manetti, nee' Chidini, was born in the Veneria "Reale," province of Torino, Italy on December 4, 1920. She began her first volunteer work in Frankfurt, Germany where she was an active member of the Army Officers' Wives Club and the American Red Cross (10th Army American Dispensary). In Vicenza, Mrs. Manetti volunteered as an interpreter and Fund Custodian for the Catholic Women of the Church (CWOC). In 1978 she began her work with the Vicenza Community Club (then the Officers' Wives Club). She was a board member where she served as the Ways and Means Chairperson, Hospitality, and Club Historian. She always played an active part in acting as liaison for the Italian members of the club. She also worked with ACS and the Dandelion Boutique which sold local vendor crafts and raised money through commissions. Mrs. Manetti gave 32 years of Volunteerism to the Vicenza Community Club. She was a source of inspiration and continuity for our club and, as many would say, a "Pillar" of our post...always ready to answer a call for help.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicant must be an I.D. Cardholding Dependent of an active Vicenza Community Club Member who holds a current 2017-2018 VCC membership.
2. Applicant must have applied for admission to, or be currently enrolled in, an undergraduate or graduate program at a College, University or Vocational/Technical School.
3. Recipients of a full scholarship are not eligible. If you are selected for an appointment for a full scholarship after the VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship is awarded, monies will revert back to the VCC Welfare Fund.
4. Previous recipients of a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship are not eligible EXCEPT in the event there are no other applicants (and are therefore encouraged to submit a completed application.)

5. Recipients of a 2017 VCC Scholarship from the 2016 Vicenza High School graduating class are not eligible.

HOW TO APPLY

1. VCC Pia Manetti Continuing Education Scholarship may be downloaded and printed from the VCC website at <http://vccitaly.org/>
2. Applicants must complete the VCC Pia Manetti Continuing Education Scholarship Application packet in its entirety and mail it to the VCC Scholarship Chairperson, postmarked no later than **November 4th, 2017**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be accepted for any reason.
3. Mail Applications to:
ATTN: VCC Scholarship Chair
Rose Roorda
CMR 473 Box 953
APO, AE 09606

NOTIFICATION OF OUTCOME

1. Applicants will be notified by mail if awarded a scholarship. Award letters will be postmarked **December 1st, 2017**. If awarded a scholarship, you may be invited and recognized at the VCC Dinner held on May 16th, 2018.
2. The committee will not telephone applicants regarding the status of an application. Applicants may email Mrs. Roorda at scholarships@vccitaly.org to inquire about the status of the application.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Completed application packet should include:

- Completed Application Form
- Copy of DOD/Military ID Card
- 500-1000 Word Essay
- 2 Letters of Reference: Letters of Reference must be in individual envelopes which have been sealed by the reference provider with their signature scrolled across the seal. Both letters must be included with the application packet and NOT mailed separately.
- Proof of enrollment

- Copy of College Transcripts which include your Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA). If you have just been accepted to an undergraduate program, attach a copy of your High School Transcripts.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home/Cell Phone/Country Code: _____

Email: _____

Your Parent's/Sponsor's Name: _____

Sponsor's Email : _____

Are they a VCC 2017-2018 Member? Yes _____ No _____

Are you a previous recipient of a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship? Yes _____ No _____

(In the event no other applications are received, previous recipients of a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship are eligible.)

Please include a copy of your DOD/Military ID card.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

- I have read and understand the requirements of the VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship application submission process.
- I understand my application will be made available only to the VCC Scholarship Committee.
- I confirm my parent/sponsor is a current VCC member.
- I understand that all decisions and selections are final.
- If selected, I agree to allow my photo and name to be posted on the VCC website and in VCC publications.
- To the best of my knowledge, I confirm that the information provided is accurate and that the essay I have submitted is that of my own work.
- I understand that if I am awarded a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship I must provide a Letter of Acceptance from an accredited college, university or vocational training school to the Vicenza Community Club before scholarship funds are released.
- I understand that if I am awarded a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship, the funds must be used for the current financial year or will revert back to the VCC Welfare fund
- I understand that if I am awarded a VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship, I must provide the VCC the address of my educational institution or my personal forwarding address within 14 days of notification of the award.

- I understand that if I choose to have the check sent to my personal address rather than directly to my college for tuition, I must provide evidence of use of the funds as an 'education related expense' through an itemized receipt. I agree to submit the receipt/s 14 days before the close of the semester in which the scholarship is awarded. Education related expenses are books, supplies, and equipment as defined in IRS form 8917.
- I understand if I am awarded a full scholarship for tuition my VCC Scholarship award will revert back to the VCC Welfare Fund.
- I fully understand that if I fail to meet any of the above conditions, I may not be considered for this scholarship.
- I have carefully read all the requirements and agree to comply with the above terms of this application process. I understand the eligibility criteria as stated and if I do not meet expected criteria I will forfeit the award.

X

Signature of Applicant

Date

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Type or neatly print all requested information. You may use the back of this paper as extra space if needed.

1. Are you currently enrolled in school? What is the name of the school you are/will be attending?
2. Please provide the Admissions or Financial Office Address of the College.
3. What is your course of study and what degree are you pursuing?
4. How many credit hours are you taking? Is this considered a full time student?
5. How many credit hours are needed to complete your degree?
6. Are there any extenuating circumstances which prevented or limited your participation in school, volunteer activities and/or employment? If so, please explain.

7. List your involvement in your community and any awards or recognition you have received. Include activities and dates along with any offices held.
8. List the approximate hours per week for each activity you are currently involved in, noting if it's paid work or volunteer. (Please include work, volunteer, training and internship programs).

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Essay

Attach a typed 500-1000 word Essay addressing one of the following questions:

- What was the most meaningful experience you had with an educator? How did it influence you? How can you use that past experience towards your current educational goals?
- Success can often be achieved after experiencing failure. Describe an episode of failure that lead to a later success in your life. How did the failure affect you and what did you learn from the experience?

Please follow the example format shown below when completing essay.

**VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship FALL 2017 Essay
Your Chosen Question (in its entirety and centered)**

Body of the essay should be typed, doubled spaced and have a minimum of 500 words and a maximum of 1000 words. Your essay will be subjectively rated on content, originality, and

grammar. Please note, there should be no reference to your name throughout the entire essay. Do not use your name anywhere in the essay or reference family members except in terms such as Brother, Grandmother, Father, etc. to maintain complete anonymity of you, the author.

**VCC Pia Manetti Scholarship Letter of Reference
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Name of Candidate _____
(Please print or type.)

VCC Scholarship recipients are selected primarily on the basis of leadership potential, high academic achievement, and potential for academic success.

Please address the candidate's personal characteristics (confidence, personality, diligence, motivation, generosity, poise, etc.) which you feel contribute to the candidate's leadership abilities, as well as their academic performance or other aspects you think will contribute to their success throughout their pursuit of higher education. DO NOT use the applicant's name throughout your reference letter. Please use only pronouns when referring to the applicant.

Your Name _____ Telephone _____
(Please print or type.)

Title _____

Address _____

Email _____

How long have you known the candidate? _____

In what capacity? _____

Your recommendation may be typed on a separate sheet and attached to this form.

Please seal, sign the outside envelope and return the completed form directly to the address below. Your evaluation will become part of the candidate's confidential file, used only by the VCC Scholarship Committee. It will not be released to the candidate.

*Mail this letter to be postmarked by no later than: **November 4th, 2017***

*Scholarship Chair's Name: **Mrs. Rose Roorda***

*Address: **CMR 473 Box 953***

*City, State, ZIP: **APO, AE 09606***

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