Theodore A. Parker III Memorial Scholarship Application Form
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Section 1: Applicant Information

Applicant Name: ____________________________________________________________

Street Address: _______________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________________________ State: _______ Zip: ____________

Home Phone: ____________________ Cell Phone: __________________________

Email Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian: ________________________________________________

Gender: ______________ Date of Birth: ___/___/_____ Age: ______________

Present grade level in school: ____________

Applicant’s Signature: ______________________________________________________________________ Date: ______________

Section 2: Parent/Guardian Information

I, __________________________, affirm that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: ____________________________ Date: ______________

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: __________________________________ Date: ______________

Section 3: Short Answer Section

Please answer the questions listed on the reverse side of this form.
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Please type up your responses and attach them to this form. Your essay answer should:

⇒ Be easy to read and reveal interesting things about yourself to the scholarship selection committee.
⇒ Make a connection between the mission of the scholarship to your academic and personal interests and/or goals.
⇒ Have a purpose – Provide evidence of how you feel this experience will heighten your skills as a naturalist and nurture a conservation ethic.

Question 1: Why are you interested in attending a VENT youth birding camp? Why do you feel that you should be awarded this scholarship? (600 word limit)

Question 2: List school activities (sports, student government, arts, music, committees, etc.) in which you have been involved over the past two years. Describe your role in each activity.

Question 3: Provide a detailed list that explains the awards, scholarships, publications, or special recognition you have received.

⇒ Applications must include a Letter of Recommendation. Choose someone who knows you best. The more detailed and personalized a letter is, the more likely it is to make a strong impression on a selection committee. So ask a teacher or mentor with the most extensive, personal knowledge of you and your work.

Application Deadline: January 15, 2020. The scholarship will be awarded in February.

Send your application materials electronically to: info@ohioyoungbirders.org with Theodore “Ted” A. Parker III Memorial Scholarship Application in the subject line. Or, mail your application materials to:

Black Swamp Bird Observatory
Attn: Laura Guerard
13551 W. State Route 2, Oak Harbor, OH 43449
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Letter of Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant: _____________________________________________________________

Your Name: ________________________________ Phone: (______)_________ _______

Title: __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Street Address: _____________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: _________ Zip: ______________________

How long have you known the applicant? _________ In what capacity? ____________________

Please include in your letter the length of time and capacity in which you have known the applicant. The scholarship selection committee will get to know the applicant best if you are able to speak to the following:

⇒ Applicant’s strength of character
⇒ Applicant’s demonstrated commitment to service
⇒ Why you believe the applicant deserves this scholarship

Please attach your recommendation letter to this form and return to


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