MAJOR ELBERT A. WELSH EDUCATION AWARDS – ROTC CANDIDATE

Annually, the Detroit Post of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) takes great pride in recognizing two distinguished ROTC Cadets or Midshipmen by awarding the Major Elbert A. Welsh Memorial Education Awards. The Detroit Post SAME is now soliciting nominations for this year’s two awards in the amount of $2000.00 each.

To be eligible for this education award, the following criteria need be met:

a. Candidate must be actively enrolled in an ROTC program (Air Force, Army, or Navy/Marine Corps) at a university within the Detroit Post’s AOR (generally considered regarded as the entire state of Michigan and Toledo area)
b. Candidate must be of sophomore or junior status.
c. Candidate must be pursuing a bachelor’s degree in engineering, architecture, construction management or related sciences.
d. Candidate must be a United States citizen.

To be considered for this award, the following must be submitted by 29 February:

1. A completed nomination form (attached)
2. A college transcript, with cumulative credits, grade point average, and ROTC class standing
3. A letter of recommendation from an ROTC staff advisor. Additional letters from a college advisor, academic instructor, or immediate supervisor will also be considered.
4. A written submission by the applicant describing scholastic and short term and long term career goals. Replies must be kept to one standard (8 1/2 x 11) page, typed.

Awards will be made to the applicant who by the following criteria has indicated they are the best candidate for success in college or university studies. Points in parenthesis indicate the relative importance of each criterion.

1. Academic record and the nature of the course load (30)
2. ROTC Class Ranking (10)
3. Strength of recommendation from ROTC staff advisor (10)
4. Experience in wage-earning or volunteer employment (10)
5. Participation in academic, business, or social organizations, committees, societies, and activities, especially in leadership roles (20)
6. Academic honors and awards (10)
7. Clear expression of goals and career plans in the essay portion of the application (30.) Your essay will be rated on content, grammar, punctuation and spelling.

The student that qualifies for the Welsh Education Award will also receive a national SAME student membership through the Detroit Post SAME, in addition to the cash award of $2000.00. Other financial aid held by the individual recipient will not exclude eligibility.

Please submit the complete application package via e-mail (.pdf format) to Greg Mausolf at Gregory.M.Mausolf@usace.army.mil by the 31 January deadline.
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NOMINATION FORM

1. Nominating Official/Sponsor:
   Name: ________________________________
   Title: ________________________________
   Unit: ________________________________
   Phone: ________________________________
   Email: ________________________________

2. Candidate:
   Name: ________________________________
   Rank: ________________________________
   Permanent Address ________________________________
   ______________________________________
   Email Address ________________________________
   Phone Number ________________________________
   Academic Major: ________________________________
   Academic Performance: Year Overall GPA ROTC Class Standing
   Freshman _________ _________
   Sophomore _________ _________
   Junior _________ _________
   Expected Graduation Date: ________________

3. Activities, Societies, organizations, committees, or activities in which you have participated within the last 2 years, and any positions of leadership you have held or now hold (include band, orchestra, choir, student council, school clubs, non-athletic teams, teacher’s aide, boy/girl scouts, church/youth groups, volunteer work, community service, etc.)

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4. Employer (wage-earning or volunteer)

Position ___________________________ Duration ______________________
Duties _______________________________________________________________

5. Academic honors and awards

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6. Attachments: 1. Letter of Recommendation from ROTC Staff Advisor
                2. Transcript
                3. Candidate’s Essay
                4. Other: ________________________________

6. Signature ___________________________ ________
   (Nominating Official/Sponsor) (Date)