

# **Last Chance Audubon Society Scholarships for Graduating High-School Seniors 2016-2017 Academic Year**

Last Chance Audubon Society (LCAS) is pleased to announce that up to two scholarships of \$1000 each will be awarded to graduating seniors from high schools in the Helena School District. The purpose of the scholarships is to provide financial support to help selected students with their freshman-year college expenses.

**Qualifications:** Students may apply who have been accepted to a college or university of their choice and who have agreed to attend that institution. Students who apply must have an interest in college/university studies related to habitat protection, conservation, and/or restoration of value to avian and other wildlife species. Majors declared in these study areas are preferred.

## **Application and Schedule:**

- Applicants should print the pdf file from the LCAS website (<http://www.lastchanceaudubon.org/html/Scholarship.html> ). The application must be provided as a word (doc) document and submitted as instructed below. Please insure that all sections are completed. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Application (below) should be completed and returned by email to [scholarship@lastchanceaudubon.org](mailto:scholarship@lastchanceaudubon.org) no later than April 15, 2017. One letter of recommendation from a high school faculty member should be included with the application or may be returned separately by email.
- An LCAS selection committee will review the applications and make recommendations to the LCAS Board for a decision. Students will be notified of the Board's decision in early May, 2017 and those selected will be invited to the May LCAS

membership meeting to be acknowledged. (Those not selected also will be notified.)

- LCAS will issue a press release prior to the May membership meeting. Students should notify their respective high school about the LCAS decision so it can be included with commencement information.
- Scholarship awards will be made in early-mid August upon proof of registration
- Each student recipient is asked to submit an informal one-or two-page report of their freshman year studies and activities and future plans. Recipients will also be invited to attend the next year's LCAS May membership meeting to take part in that year's award presentations.

# LCAS Scholarship Application 2016-2017 Academic Year

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Mobile Phone No.:**

**Home Phone No. (If applicable):**

**Email address:**

**College plans (studies, interests, major, etc.):**

**Extracurricular high-school activities:**

**Other community or volunteer activities:**

**Essay:** Please attach a one-to-two page description of the area(s) of study in which you are interested, related to conservation of avian and wildlife species and their habitats, such as the sciences, environmental studies, natural resources, public policy, geography, journalism/communications or another area of study.

In your essay, please address the following questions:

1. Why do you feel this area of study is important?
2. Why are you interested in these areas of study?
3. What career or other goals are you interested in pursuing and hope to accomplish?
4. Anything else you want to add?

Please provide the name, position and contact information for the faculty member providing a recommendation.