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Scholarships



Scholarships for 2022-2023

Oo Syak Gee Lu Society annually awards scholarships to deserving student members. The amount of award varies year to year and are set by the Membership and Scholarship Committees. The awards are based on scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, leadership, and community involvement. Student members pursuing higher education in an undergraduate or technical degree are eligible.

The purpose and goal of the scholarship is to encourage, motivate, and assist a student member in his/her pursuit for higher education, provide some financial support, and to the awardees and family members participate in our society's activities and leadership rolls now and in the future.

In 22+ years, OSGL has distributed over \$75,000 in total scholarship money to deserving student members. See Oo Syak Gee Lu website for past information, winners, and 2022 scholarship application.

This year, Jocelyn Chang-Chuck was asked to lead the Scholarship Committee to offer scholarships to our young adults. Here are the pertinent information for those who are interested in applying for our scholarship:

Eligibility Criteria: Applicants must....

1. Be members of the Oo Syak Gee Lu Society for at least six months.
2. Be an enrolled student pursuing a higher education at a two-year or four-year accredited college, trade school, or technical school (excluding graduate, post-graduate school, or internships). Oo Syak Gee Lu Society reserves the right to contact your school to confirm your scholarship eligibility.

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3. Take a minimum of 12 credits hours of instruction or be a full-time student to receive any funds.
4. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of **3.0 or higher**.

Application Deadline:

Applications must be postmarked/emailed no later than **Thursday June 9, 2022**.

An awards presentation will be held at the Annual Banquet Dinner.

Scholarship Guidelines:

1. Scholarships will be awarded based on scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, leadership, and community involvement.
2. Scholarship money will be given directly to the student which shall be used for tuition, books, and/or other expenses.
3. Scholarship is non-transferable.

Scholarship is awarded for one year. Must re-apply annually. *(The terms and rules of this scholarship program may change or alter without notice.)*

Amount of Scholarship:

Each scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000.00.

A total of four scholarships will be awarded each year.

Send applications and transcripts to:

Postal Mail: Wesley Sen, 1638 Ala Mahina Place, Honolulu, HI 96819

Email: Wesley Sen <romihawaii@icloud.com>.

Phone: 808-457-2000

Must be postmarked/emailed no later than **Thursday June 9, 2022**.

NO HAND-DELIVERED APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

NOTE: Any applications and/or transcripts through mail or email will NOT be accepted AFTER due date.

Application Guidelines:

1. Fill out this complete application form (3-pages total).
2. Submit an **official** current high-school or college transcript by mail.
No electronic transcripts will be accepted. (Request transcript to be sent ASAP)
3. A maximum of six (6) single-sided pages will be accepted.
4. A personal interview may be required. (You may be contacted via phone or email if necessary.)
5. Your signature on the application is required for the application to be accepted.

2022 Annual Banquet

The committee met to discuss whether to have an annual banquet this year. Reservations have been made at the Jade Dynasty Restaurant for August 6, 2022. There is a limit of 20 tables where the board will be able to reserve a table. Board members will be able to share a table if they do not have enough people to fill the table as long as there is one member coordinating and submitting payment. The banquet will not be responsible for the coordination.

Due to the short amount of time for this late in the year there will not be a separate banquet for the scholarship winners this year. Instead, the scholarship winners will be recognized at the annual banquet and given their award so winners please let the scholarship and or banquet committee know if you will be attending the banquet. The winners will not be required to give a short message but will be able to thank our members.

Year of the Tiger (Year of the Water Tiger)

This is a Year of Water Tiger, starting from the 2022 Chinese New Year on Feb. 1 and lasting to 2023 Lunar New Year's Eve on Jan. 21. It starts the Spring Festival season that ends fifteen days later on the evening of the Lantern Festival.

The Chinese Zodiac dates back to the Qin Dynasty over 2000 years ago and is rooted in a system of zoolatry (or animal worship). As the legend goes, the Jade Emperor challenged all the animals in the Kingdom to a "Great Race." Whoever arrived at his palace first would win his favor. The Tiger was sure that he had the race in the bag, but ended up placing third after the cunning Rat and workhorse Ox snuck in ahead of him. In ancient times, people usually compared emperors or kings with the tigers.

*The Tiger is associated with Yang (masculine, active) energy. Tigers do things their own way and hate being told what to do. Those born during a Tiger Year are said to possess some of the qualities of the animal itself, including **extremely competitive, courageous, assertive and natural leaders**. Tiger signs are said to be hungry for thrill and crave attention, not to mention short tempered but capable of generosity. They are born leaders, who walk and talk assertively and inspire respect. They are courageous and energetic, love a challenge or competition and are prepared to take risks.*



Officers and Directors

2020-2021 Officers:

President-Paulette K.Q. Chang
 1st Vice Pres -Jamie M.Y. Chang
 2nd Vice Pres-Debbie Chun
 Treasurer-Daryl H.K. Hu
 English Secretary-Constance K.H. Mark

2020-2021 Board of Directors:

Alvin Chang	Edmund Chang
Alicia Chang-Sakamoto	Eric Chang
Bradley Chang	Ernest Chang
Carlton Wong	Evelyn Chang
Diane Chang-Liu	Hubert Chang
Edith Won	Jocelyn Chang-Chuck
	Jamie Chang

Message from **Oo Syak Gee Lu Nominations and Elections for 2022 Board Members**

- 1) Oo Syak Gee Lu carried over all of the 2021 officers and directors in their current roles for the year 2022.
- 2) The years 2020 and 2021 will not count as President Paulette Chang's 2-term limit, since basically Covid-19 prevented Oo Syak from operating,
- 3) Any Director who wanted to "bow out" or resign could do so. (We did not have a special election to replace that person(s)).
- 4) If there were any Officer bowed out or resigned, the vacancy was not filled by officers moving up or the position not filled, with BOD approval."

Note: Any member interested in running for office need to contact Chairperson, Edmund Chang, change025@hawaii.rr.com.

There is a suggestion of requirements for those who are interested in running for the president and vice-president positions.

1. Be able to used email with attachments.
2. Be able to write simple letters or messages.
3. Be familiar with Robert's rules for conducting a meeting
4. Be able to speak in front of the membership

A plan is in the works to hold a quarterly meeting in the 4th quarter so new officers and directors can be nominated and voted on for year 2023-2024. Please watch for the announcement.

2020-2021 Committees:

Financial Committee

Chairperson: Daryl Hu
 Members: Alvin Chang
 Carlton Wong
 Ernest Chang
 Bradley Chang

PR & Membership Committee

Chairperson: Connie Mark
 Members: Diane Liu
 Edith Won
 Eric Chang
 Susan Woo

Scholarship Committee

Chairperson: Carlton Wong
 Members: Jamie Chang
 Alicia Sakamoto
 Millie Ai-Chang
 Kendrick Chang

Banquet & Events Committee

Chairperson: Wesley Sen
 Members: Donna Chang
 Jocelyn Chang Chuck
 Connie Mark
 Paulette Chang

Nominating Committee

Chairperson: Edmund Chang
 Members: Evelyn Chang
 Hubert Chang

Newsletter

Editor: Jocelyn Chang-Chuck
 Members: Jamie Chang
 Eric Chang
 Debbie Chun
 Diane Liu
 Jennifer & Curtis Takano

Special Committee Bylaws

Chairperson: Hubert Chang