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USS Indianapolis/ Gwinn “Angel” Scholarship- Essays

Instructions:

Two essays are required for the USS Indianapolis/ Gwinn “Angel” Scholarship. They should be uniquely different from one another. There are specific word count requirements for each essay. Please note that any essays not meeting the specific word count criteria will not be considered, and the application scores will be adversely affected. Essays are also evaluated on grammar, originality, factual correctness, and thoughtful reflection.

Please answer the following questions completely and email as a Word doc or PDF to Gina Limbocker at gthornbury@gtrcf.org prior to the March 31, 2017 deadline.

Essay #1 (1,000- 1,200 Words) *please provide your answer below*

1. Your understanding of the role that your relative played in the story of the Indianapolis, and the legacy you share in it, keeps the story alive. Please reflect on the impact that being a grandchild (or great-grandchild) of a Survivor, Lost-at-Sea, Rescue Crewmember, or Honorary Survivor has had on your life. It is important to include specific, factual details of your relative’s experience, ideally obtained either by a personal interview with a family member, family archival information, or other documented sources.

Essay #2 (500- 700 Words) *please provide your answer below*

2. The service and sacrifices made by the men of the USS Indianapolis CA-35 must not be forgotten. Theirs is a miraculous and heroic story, supported by five distinct themes: the miracle of the sighting; survival against all odds; loyalty and brotherhood; service to country; and heroism. Choosing one of the above themes, please share your understanding about the men of the USS Indianapolis CA-35, and how the lessons learned from their experience are relevant today.