## Minnesota Valley Chapter Defenders of Soil, Air, Woods, Waters and Wildlife Scholarship Announcement

The Minnesota Valley Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) is soliciting scholarship applications from high school seniors who have a strong interest in, and commitment to, the environment. Two \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded annually. Scholarship winners will also receive the benefits of a student membership in the IWLA.

The Minnesota Valley Chapter of the IWLA is located on the Minnesota River in Bloomington, Minnesota. These scholarships were established by the Minnesota Valley Chapter to encourage students from the area to pursue their interests in the environment and environmental issues as part of their postsecondary studies.

The IWLA is a grassroots environmental conservation organization that was founded in 1922 to combat water pollution in lakes and streams. The motto of the IWLA is "*Defenders of Soil, Air, Woods, Waters and Wildlife.*"

## **Application Process**

*Please provide your name, address, phone number, e-mail address, current school, a transcript, and the names and contact information for two people willing to act as references on your behalf.* (At least one should be a teacher or school administrator who knows you as a student.) In addition, please respond to the following four items. In the interest of economy and conservation complete applications should be limited to two typed pages.

- 1) What are your future educational plans and career goals?
- 2) What do you perceive as the most significant environmental issues facing our planet? Which issue interests you the most and why?
- 3) Describe your current involvement in environmental issues and outdoor activities.
- 4) Provide any other information you think might be relevant and helpful in evaluating your application.

## Applications should be mailed to:



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## Applications must be received by May 14, 2018