

THE JOHN FISCHETTI SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2012

*Applications are now being accepted for the John Fischetti Scholarship. This award is offered annually by the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, exclusively to **male** students of Italian ancestry who are majoring in journalism or media communications.*

HISTORY

John Fischetti was a Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist whose work for many years graced the pages of the New York Herald Tribune, the Chicago Daily News and the Chicago Sun Times. He was also a man whose enthusiasm for life and generosity of spirit won him many friends.

PREREQUISITES

*Eligible scholarship applicants must be **male** students of full Italian ancestry or who are 50% Italian ancestry who are either undergraduates in journalism or communication; a college student who has been accepted into graduate school in either of these areas or high school seniors who have been accepted into college with the intent of establishing a major in journalism or media communications. Scholarship Award is \$2,000.00. **Scholarship is only for residents of the Chicago metropolitan area.***

REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must submit a typewritten essay of 500 words on any of the following topics:

What does being an Italian-American mean to you?

How do you feel about the way Italian-Americans are portrayed in movies & television?

What contributions have Italians (ancient or modern) made to the world?

What contributions have Italian-Americans made to the United States?

In addition, please include a photo of yourself, a copy of your transcripts plus a published work. Published work in a school newspaper is acceptable. Applications, together with the required documents must be returned to the offices of the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans no later than April 19, 2012.

The Fischetti Scholarship recipient will be presented with an award at the Dante Award Luncheon which honors members of Chicago's news media who best exemplifies Dante's ideal of "being no timid friend to truth." This annual event will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2012 at Galleria Marchetti, 825 West Erie Street, Chicago. This event is attended by many of Chicago's well-known print, radio and television journalists. Scholarship recipient must be present to receive the award.

*Antonio M. Romanucci
President*

*Jo Ann Serpico
Executive Director*

JOHN FISCHETTI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(FOR MALE STUDENTS ONLY)

Applicant's name _____ **Age** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Mailing address if different from above _____

Phone Number _____ **E-Mail** _____

Father's Name _____ **Occupation** _____

Mother's Name, including maiden name _____

Mother's Occupation _____

Briefly explain your Italian heritage _____

High School attending _____

College you plan to attend or presently attending _____

List school related activities/organizations/achievements _____

List non-school related activities/organizations/achievements _____

Explain why you are interested in receiving the John Fischetti Scholarship Award _____

Date _____ **Signature of Applicant** _____

(Please feel free to include any additional information and a photo of yourself)