



Nevada County Democratic Women's Club **Annette Gillett Scholarship** **2018-2019**

One scholarship at \$1,000

The criteria for this scholarship are:

- Must be a **college bound female NJUHSD senior**
- **Field of study - open**
- Student may attend **any college** of their choice
- Student must have a **minimum 3.0 G.P.A.**
- Need not a consideration
- Three letters of recommendation: one from a high school teacher or staff member, and two from unrelated adult friends or members of the community. Letters must include writers' name, phone number, and relationship to the applicant.
- In addition to submitting a completed district scholarship application you must submit a **1,000 word or less, typed, double-spaced essay**. See the description of the essay attached.
- The scholarship recipient and her parents will be invited as guests of the NCDWC at a special luncheon on the first Saturday in May where the recipient will read her essay to our members and guests.

DEADLINE: Return to Kimala DeSena with your completed District Scholarship Application. (The deadline is the same as that of the district scholarship application).

Essay Prompt

Citizens desire good information to make the best decisions they can make. At the same time, we have become more and more aware that some of the information we receive is made up; is fake news. It's possible that some of it may come from Russia or other countries. On the other hand, people running for office or already in the government may create some of the fake news. In your essay, please discuss the issue of fake news and what could be done to insure that what we are reading or hearing is good information that can help us make wise decisions. In your discussion, be sure to consider the following.

Find and present an example of fake news from the campaigning prior to the recent 2018 midterm election or the primary leading up to it. Use this example to:

- Define fake news
- Identify your example as fake news (Remember what you know about critical thinking.)
- Compare your example with other versions
- Identify the source if you can. Credible?

Considering what you've discovered, what in your opinion could a solution be for citizens to make informed choices?

Be sure to support your answer throughout with examples, facts, and appropriate quotes.

Be sure your essay is 1,000 words or less, typed, and double-spaced.

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