

Kristin Rieser Youth Scholarship Fund



This fund was established by Jim and Donna Rieser of Shooting Starr Kennels in memory of their daughter Kristin. Kristin was a passionate enthusiast for all things NAVHDA, AKC and NSTRA. She successfully ran dogs in all levels of NAVHDA's testing program and was an accomplished breeder of German shorthaired pointers receiving many Breeders Awards. Kristin was an active volunteer for her local chapter and was a cheerleader for all other NAVHDA members; in addition to being an aspiring veterinarian.

Her untimely death inspired her family to create this namesake to honor her dedication to NAVHDA in a way that would encourage other young people to follow in her footsteps. This endowment funds the cost of young members who wish to attend a NAVHDA Handlers Clinic.

The following are the guidelines established for young members to apply for the Kristin Rieser Scholarship Fund:

1. Applicants must be between the ages of 10 and 18.
2. The letter of request should be written by the applicant. It should explain their experiences with dogs and why they want to participate in a Handlers Clinic. Examples would be: Do you have a dog currently or are you getting one? Do you hunt or plan on hunting when you can? Have you participated in a hunter's safety course? Do you train your dog regularly? Do you want to run in a NAVHDA test or have you already? What is your favorite part of owning and training your dog? What do you hope to gain from attending a handler's clinic? Tell us what you enjoy about NAVHDA.
3. A photo would be nice, but isn't necessary.
4. A note from someone in the local NAVHDA chapter (other than a family member) is a good addition too.

Please send applications to:

NAVHDA Central Office

Kristin Rieser Scholarship Fund

PO Box 520

Arlington Heights, IL 60006-0520

Or email them to navoffice@navhda.org and include the words Kristin Rieser Fund in the subject line.