

The Alexander Memorial Scholarship

The Award: **\$850** scholarship and plaque

Requirements:

- High School GPA of 3.0 or better
- Lake Co. high senior/graduate (age 16-20)
- 4-H and /or FFA member for the last 4 years (may be a combination of both groups)

Application Packet:

- Completed application form
- Letter(s) of recommendation and verification of 4 years active membership from the applicant's FFA teacher or 4-H community leader
- High school transcript (copy) of 4 years of high school
- Application essay (3-5 pages DS) & photo

Application Essay:

A well written 3-5 page essay, typed and double spaced, is required. Applicants are encouraged to be creative and include the following information:

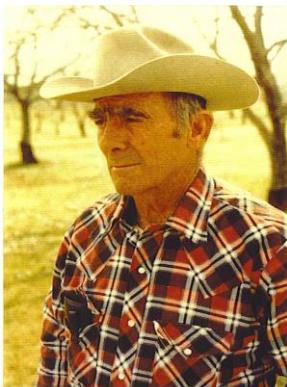
- Introduce yourself and include pertinent personal history
- Describe your interests, achievements, and community involvement
- Describe your involvement with 4-H and/or FFA
- Tell about your extra curricular activities
- Explain your goals for the future

Due Date

On or before June 30

4-H/Cooperative Extension Office
883 Lakeport Blvd, Lakeport
263-6838

This scholarship is jointly funded by the Alexander family, the local community, and the 4-H council.



Paul and Otha Alexander Memorial Scholarship

Paul was a volunteer adult 4-H leader for more years than many can remember (40+years). He was involved in the very first Lake Co. Livestock auction in 1951 and never missed the event until the year of his death. Much of that time, he served as Jr. Livestock Superintendent but he volunteered in every capacity. You might notice The Paul Alexander Barn, named in his honor, located in the livestock area of the Lake Co. Fairgrounds in Lakeport. At age 76+ Paul was still cooking for the county's Chickenque and recruiting buyers for junior livestock.

Otha was proud of her Texas roots but she followed her heart west when she married Paul, her native Californian husband. Always active in agriculture and gardening, Otha shared Paul's commitment to 4-H and Lake County. Teacher, Home Ec Advisor, 4-H leader, Otha touched many lives.

Paul loved to "help the kids out" and he had a lot of experience to offer. Over the course of his life he'd been a cowboy, rodeo rider, WWII vet, cattleman, pear and walnut farmer, grain and hay grower, farm mechanic and school board member. He was actively involved in American Legion, Farm Bureau, PTA, Grange, ASC (Agricultural Conservation and Stabilization) and the Federal Land Bank Association.

Otha was equally active: the local Women's Club, American Legion Auxiliary, the Redwood Iris Society, the Retired Teachers Association, and her Church.

Paul and Otha had twice been honored as the Grand Marshall of the Lake Co. Fair. 4-H was very near and dear to their hearts; in fact, the two were among the founders of 4-H clubs in Ft. Jones and Upper Lake.

Paul and Otha Alexander were very special people with an exceptional sense of commitment to country and community. It is hoped this scholarship will honor individuals with similar values; at the same time, Paul and Otha can continue doing what they loved best, "helping kids out."

Paul Richard Alexander

Jan. 13, 1918-July 25, 1998

Otha Hughlene Alexander

Dec. 7, 1916-Dec. 28, 2005

*Applications also available upon request:
palex74@hotmail.com or Google: Paul and
Otha Alexander scholarship*

Submit application to the 4-H/Co-operative Extension Office, 883 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA 95453
on or before June 30

Paul and Otha Alexander Memorial Scholarship Application Form

Instructions for Applicants: Complete this application NEATLY (typed or in ink) and return it to the Lake Co. 4-H Office by or before the deadline. Be sure to attach the various support documents (essay, transcript, photo and leader's letter) to the application. It is the student's responsibility to make sure that his/her application packet is complete. Incomplete packets may not be considered. **Deadline: June 30**

Personal Information:

Name _____
First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Mailing Address _____
Street/Apt/P.O. Box _____

City _____ state _____ zip _____

Phone number _____ e-mail _____

Date of Birth _____

Membership Information:

<u>Name of FFA or 4-H Club(s)</u>	<u>Membership dates</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Educational History:

High School from which you will graduate: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Occupational Plans and/or major: _____

Post-secondary Institution of choice: _____

*****Please include a photo suitable for use in a press release (a digital version can be emailed to palex74@hotmail.com).***

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