

# Deborah Stirling Memorial Scholarship

A strong supporter of youth in agriculture, Deborah Stirling served on the Sonoma County Fair Board of Directors for many years and was president in 2002. Deborah loved fairtime deeply. She understood how much hard work went into the exhibits, as she was a long-time 4-H leader and also a creator of beautiful needlework. Friends described Deborah as a “force of nature.” She overcame many challenges in her life and taught herself many of the skills she used to succeed. **The recipient of this \$500 scholarship will be:**

- A recently graduated high school senior
- Someone who is showing both livestock and still exhibits in the current year’s Sonoma County Fair
- Someone who puts forth hard work in the face of adversity
- A strong leader

Award sponsored by Keith Stirling, Nathalee Stirling Ghafouri and Shaun Ghafouri.

Completed applications are due at the Entry Office of the Sonoma County Fair by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 30th. Completed applications should be emailed to [entryoffice@sonomacountyfair.com](mailto:entryoffice@sonomacountyfair.com) or delivered to 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

## Application

Please use a separate sheet of paper to answer the following questions.

***Name:***

***4-H Club or Chapter:***

***Number of years exhibiting at the Sonoma County Fair:***

***Of what still exhibit (that you’ve entered into the Sonoma County Fair this year) are you most proud? Why?***

***Of what animal (that you’ve entered into the Sonoma County Fair this year) are you most proud? Why?***

***Describe a time when you had to overcome a challenge.***

***Describe the leadership role of which you are most proud.***

***What are your post-graduation plans?***