

The Maine Motorcoach Network
Tom Hunter Memorial Scholarship



January 10, 2020

Dear Hospitality, Travel, and Tourism Colleagues,

The Maine Motorcoach Network is a volunteer based organization of hospitality, travel, and tourism professionals whose mission is to increase revenue to Maine businesses by promoting motorcoach and group travel to the State of Maine.

In May of 2015, the tourism industry unexpectedly lost one of its true professionals, Tom Hunter. The Group Sales Manager for the Ogunquit Playhouse and a well-known and respected member of the Ogunquit Community, Tom's exceptional attitude, hard work, and friendship within the workplace and community, will be greatly missed.

As part of his outreach for the Playhouse, Tom joined the Maine Motorcoach Network. Rarely missing a meeting, he would always arrive with a handshake or a hug – and always a huge smile. Whenever there was an opportunity to help on a committee project he would never say no. Tom was passionate, helpful and giving of his time with the Maine Motorcoach Network.

In honor of Tom's hard work and dedication, The Maine Motorcoach Network has established an annual scholarship to be awarded to a student in the hospitality, travel, and tourism industry that shares his passion, dedication and positive attitude within the community, workplace and tourism industry.

We invite you to share this scholarship opportunity among students studying at a college or university in the state of Maine, in pursuit of a career within the hospitality, travel, and tourism field. To learn more about the Maine Motorcoach Network, please visit our website at www.mainemotorcoachnetwork.org.

Sincerely,

Chris Riccardo
Maine Motorcoach Network Chair
info@mainemotorcoachnetwork.org



Maine Motorcoach Network 2020 Tom Hunter Memorial Scholarship Application

1. Eligibility

Open to any State of Maine Resident pursuing a career in the Tourism or Hospitality field, in or out of state, carrying nine credits per semester or more.

Use of Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is provided for one time use only. No continued scholarship support for the student is stated or implied. Applications should be submitted by the student annually, if appropriate. The scholarship may be used for tuition and/or room & board. It will be issued jointly to the institution and the student.

Selection Criteria

- a) Scholastic record
- b) Financial need
- c) Employment record and extra-curricular activities
- d) Desire for a career in the hotel or foodservice industry

2-General Information

1. Last Name: _____ 2. First Name: _____
3. Address: _____
4. City: _____ 5. State: _____ 6. Zip: _____
7. Date of Birth: _____ 8. Telephone Number: _____
9. E-mail Address _____ 10. Cell Phone Number: _____

3-Financial Information

11. Number of Parents in the Household: One Two
12. Total Number of Persons in the Household (include parents and all dependents): _____
13. Household income range: under \$50,000 \$50,000 to \$100,000 Over \$100,000
14. Have you received any other financial assistance for post high school education? If so, from which organization(s) and for how much?

4-Student Information

14. I am presently enrolled in a post-secondary hospitality or tourism program.

15. Name of School and Program: _____

16. Grade Point Average: _____

17. Selected Major _____

18. I have enclosed my most recent college transcripts

19. I have enclosed two letters of reference from the following:

- Current school teacher
- Place of employment (preferably hospitality related)
- Personal reference

20. I have enclosed a typed, double-spaced letter of **not more than 500 words** describing the following:

- a) What are your career goals?
- b) Why do you feel qualified for this scholarship?
- c) Anything further you wish to share with the Scholarship Committee
- d) Explain your connection, if any, to the Maine Motorcoach Network

21. Please describe briefly your involvement in the following extracurricular activities:

a. School _____

b. Community _____

c. Work _____

d. Experience Related to Career Choice _____

22. Is there anything that has not been asked on this application that you feel we should know about you?

23. I will be able to attend the Governor's Conference on April 16, 2020 in Bangor to receive this award:

Yes No

I declare that all of the information provided on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. If I am granted the Tom Hunter Memorial Scholarship, I agree to submit to the Maine Motorcoach Network Scholarship Committee a report of my grades for the year in which the scholarship is used.

All material will be held in the strictest confidence by the Maine Motorcoach Network Scholarship Committee and will become property of the Maine Motorcoach Network.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

**Deadline for submission to Maine Motorcoach Network is March 6th, 2020.
Application must be postmarked on or before the date above.**

Applications and supporting documents may be e-mailed to:

info@mainemotorcoachnetwork.org -Please include 'Scholarship Application' in the subject line.

Or mailed:

Amber Davis
Maine Motorcoach Network – Scholarship
P.O. Box 7691
Portland, ME 04112

Recipients will be notified of their application status by March 23, 2020.