

Woman's Press Club of Indiana

An affiliate of the National Federation of Press Women



2026 Louise Eleanor Ross Kleinhenz Scholarship/Grant for 'mature' woman or man

Deadline: APRIL 22, 2026

WPCI (Woman's Press Club of Indiana) will present a \$500 scholarship/grant to an Indiana woman or man **30 years or older** desiring to upgrade her/his skills in order to enter/re-enter the communications market OR to upgrade a position in that field. The scholarship is known as the Louise Eleanor Ross Kleinhenz Scholarship/Grant in memory of Louise Eleanor Ross Kleinhenz, a 45-year-member of WPCI who served the organization as president, historian and *Bulletin* editor before her death in 1977.

Each application packet shall include ALL of the following:

- The completed application form (attached.)
- A narrative essay of 150-300 words, written by the applicant, telling the scholarship/award committee why she/he desires to improve communication skills and how she/he would accomplish that. This autobiographical essay is to be titled and is to follow all the conventions of a well-written piece of prose.
- If the applicant has samples of her/his work, she/he is to include a few non-returnable copies.

A completed application packet is to be mailed, with a postmark on or before APRIL 22, 2026, OR emailed by APRIL 22, 2026, to:

Elizabeth Granger, WPCI Scholarship Coordinator
13551 Waybury Dr.
Nunica, MI 49448
elizabethgrangertravel@gmail.com

The scholarship/grant winner has one year from the date of receiving the scholarship to begin work outlined in the application. It may be a course, workshop or other experience meant to improve the winner's skills in one of the following categories:

- newspaper editorial, advertising or promotion;
- magazine or book writing, editing, photography, graphics/layout or advertising;
- public relations or advertising copywriting or graphics for brochures, news releases, radio/TV public service announcements, planning campaigns or doing promotions;
- commercial or public radio or television news, advertising or promotion;
- journalism-related website and/or social media, or
- journalism education.

Find info, and application, at wpcindiana.org. Under News, click on Scholarships & Grants.

Questions? Email elizabethgrangertravel@gmail.com. On subject line, write WPCI Kleinhenz Scholarship.

Recent recipients:

2025: Rachael Ackley, Shelbyville

Viv Sade, Churubusco

2024: Dana Witt Fulks, Indianapolis

2022: Cathy Shouse, Fairmount

Suzannah Comfort, Bloomington

2021: Amy Smelser, LaFontaine

2020: Kendal Miller, Dillsboro

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Kleinhenz Scholarship/Grant for Mature Woman or Man
Official Application
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PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

Name of applicant: _____

Date of birth: _____

Home Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ zip code

Applicant's e-mail address: _____

Employer (if applicable): _____

Employer's address, phone (if applicable): _____

Applicant's position (if applicable): _____

College (if applicable): _____

College course of study, years (e.g., 1994-1998): _____

Degree, year: _____

Brief history of writing experience: _____

Applicant's intended course/workshop/project: _____

Plans for career future:

To be signed by the applicant:

I certify that the information provided in this packet is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in a rescinding of any scholarship granted.

Applicant's signature

Date

