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## Announcing the 2012 Teri and Art Iwasaki Scholarship

In 2008, the Iwasaki family (of Oregon) contacted JA Living Legacy in hopes of setting up a scholarship fund in honor of their parents, Art and his late wife, Teri Iwasaki. Together with his children, Robert, Stephanie, Christie, Paul and Leslie, they created the "Teri and Art Iwasaki Scholarship" to offset the rising costs of education. Art Iwasaki is a member of I Company, 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team therefore one of the criteria for eligibility was that the recipient have a relationship to a World War II Nisei veteran. This is our fourth year of a five year commitment.

Application information is available on the website www.jalivinglegacy.org. It is an online application. Graduating high school students with a relationship to a Nisei World War II Veteran are encouraged to apply. Deadline is April 1, 2012. All applicants will be notified through email as well as mail by May 30, 2012.

The awards and scholarship committee uses a double blind review to select and rate the applicants. This ensures there is no favoritism toward any one applicant. Once the application is received, it is assigned a number, all personal information not pertinent to the application is erased. The committee then reviews each candidate blindly and rates them using our scholarship rubric. This process ensures there is no bias toward any one candidate or his/her family.

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