

APPLICATION for the Sarah Bradley Tyson Memorial Fellowship

To apply, please email the following documents by May 15 to Chairperson Mary Schwark at schwark@aol.com There is no application form.

1. Name and address, email and phone number
2. A statement of objectives and the plan of study
3. A resume, c.v. or an account of educational training and work history
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. Academic transcript, official or unofficial, from the registrar of the college or university
6. Your thesis papers or professional reports, published or unpublished

Confidential letters sent to the committee are retained.

BACKGROUND for the Sarah Bradley Tyson Memorial Fellowship

The Sarah Bradley Tyson Memorial Fellowship was established in 1928. Mrs. Russell Tyson served as WNF&GA president from 1921-1924. Mr. Russell Tyson provided financial support to honor his wife Sarah's dedication to women's agricultural studies.

Sarah was devoted to the personal management of her homestead farm, Rice Farm, located in Vermont. Following marriage, she moved to Chicago but continued to regularly return to Rice Farm. She oversaw the farm's orchard, dairy and poultry operations. Young women who were studying agriculture were invited to the farm each summer to receive training in best farm practices. They were also able to earn money to help with their educational pursuits. She supported both rural and urban women. She promoted the importance of agriculture and the connection between city and country living. *

* Information obtained from

1. Nolan, Martha A. (1985) "A Chronicle: The History of Woman's National Farm & Garden Association, Incorporated: 1914 – 1984"
2. A report (un-dated) from June E. Braun & Donna H. McKinley: Former chair and co-chair of the Sarah Bradley Tyson Memorial Fellowship.