

Guidance Newsletter

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Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarship applications are available in the scholarship file cabinet in the career center unless otherwise indicated. Please make sure you are eligible to apply for the scholarship before taking an application. Only take **one** application. **Do not take the last application.** See Mrs. Collins-Swain for additional copies.

All Students: The Society of Professional Journalists is sponsoring a high school essay contest on “Why free news media are important.” Students must submit a 300-500 word essay. First place is a \$1000 scholarship. Essays must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**. For more information go to www.spj.org/ahs.asp.

All Students: The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America announces the **2008 Girls Going Places Entrepreneurship Award Program** for teen girls--- an opportunity to win \$1000-\$10,000. Cash prizes will be awarded to girls who demonstrate budding entrepreneurship: taking the first steps toward financial independence; and making a difference in their schools and communities. Nominees must submit a personal statement of no more than 250 words and a 750-word letter of endorsement from an adult. Applications are available at www.girlsgoingplaces.com. Entries must be submitted by **February 15, 2008**.

All Students: The Kohl’s Kids Who Care Program provides Kohl’s an annual opportunity to recognize and reward kids who volunteer in their communities. Any adult can nominate students. Each store will have one winner from each age group. Each regional winner will be awarded a \$1000 scholarship and each National winner will be awarded a \$5000 scholarship. Nominations must be submitted by **March 15, 2008**. Nomination forms are available online at www.kohlscorporation.com.

Juniors Only: The Presbyterian College Fellow Program is designed to recognize high school juniors who have excelled academically. Juniors who are ranked in the top 10% of their class and have scored at least a 1200 on the PSAT/SAT or 27 on the ACT is eligible to be nominated for the \$2000 PC Fellow Scholarship. If interested in being nominated, please see Mrs. Collins-Swain by **February 28, 2008**.

Juniors and Seniors: The Emma L. Bowen Foundation is seeking high school students for **PAID** summer internships in television, radio, or cable systems throughout the U.S. Students who have at least a 3.0GPA and are interested in media and plan to attend a four-year college are encouraged to apply. More information is available online at www.emmabowenfoundation.com. Applications must be submitted by **February 29, 2008**.

Juniors and Seniors: Do you have what it takes to be a Student Leader? Bank of America is offering students the opportunity to spend a week in Washington, DC learning how non-profits, government, and business work together to improve our communities. This is an 8-week, paid summer internship with a local non-profit organization. If interested apply by **February 29, 2008** at www.bankofamerica.com/neistudentleaders.

Juniors and Seniors: Elder and Leemaur Publishers is awarding the “**University Writing Scholarship**” valued at up to \$10,000. Students must submit an essay on of the available topics online at www.elpublishers.com/content/univsubmit.php. Entries must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

Juniors and Seniors: Time Warner Cable and PBS are accepting applications for the **2007 Kids Speak Out Contest** for 11th and 12th grade students. Each winner will receive a \$500 scholarship. Students must submit a 500-word essay. Entries must be submitted by **March 2, 2008**. Information can be found online at www.ideastream.org.

Juniors and Seniors: Applications are being accepted for the **2008 Rachel Carson Scholar Program**. Applicants must have an interest in the natural world, has taken an active role in community based environmental stewardship activities and has a strong academic record. Applications are available online at www.newtonmarascofoundation.org and must be submitted by **March 14, 2008**.

Earn \$1000 a month while still in high school. Enlist in the Army today and you could start earning \$1000 every month and a \$1000 HS graduation bonus. Add the money above to an enlistment bonus (up to \$40,000) plus up to \$73,836 for education through the Army College Fund and Montgomery GI Bill. For more information contact your local recruiter, Staff Sgt. Joseph Williams at 301-725-2769 or email at joseph.williams2@usarec.army.mil.

The Defense Commissary Agency provides scholarships for military children. Students must plan to enroll in a 4-year college and have a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available online at www.commissaries.com and must be submitted by **February 20, 2008**. A postmark date is not acceptable.

Baltimore International College invites students to participate in the **BIC's Cakes of Maryland Competition** on March 15, 2008 from 8-12noon. Students will have the opportunity to experience the world of culinary pastry design. A total of \$18,000 in scholarships will be given as prizes for the competition. Entry forms must be submitted by **February 22, 2008**.

Applications are now being accepted for the **Cynthia E. Morgan Scholarship Fund**. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is a first-generation college bound student who will major in a medical-related field. For more information and to apply for the scholarship go to www.cemsfund.com. Applications must be submitted by **February 25, 2008**.

The **Brock Hall Estates Ladies Club** is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$800 for a student who has demonstrated strong academic achievement. Applications are available in the career center and must be submitted by **February 28, 2008**.

The Baltimore Regional Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO-BRC) announces the **Barbara Balter Entrepreneurial Spirit Scholarship** program. Two female students who have demonstrated entrepreneurial talents will be awarded \$1000. Interested students should apply online at www.nawbomaryland.org/wh_scholarship.phtml by **February 29, 2008**.

American University Washington College of Law will award the **2008 Latino/a Law Students' Association Scholarship** to a student who is of Latino background, demonstrates financial need, academic and professional achievement, and involvement in and commitment to serve the Latino community. Applications must be submitted by **February 29, 2008**. Applications are available online at www.wcl.american.edu/secle/go/hlc. Click on *awards/nominations*.

College Prowler and Wachovia has partnered to bring students a \$1000 monthly scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded to students that submit the best college application essay. To submit your essay, go to www.collegeprowler.com/the_scholarship.asp. Essays are due **February 29, 2008 and March 31, 2008**.

The Army Officers' Wives Club of the Greater Washington Area will be awarding scholarships to qualified applicants for the 2008-2009 school year. Eligible applicants must be a dependent of U.S. Army personnel. Applications are available online at www.fmthriftshop.org and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**.

The Baltimore Community Foundation is accepting applications for their scholarships and grants. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA to be eligible to apply. Applications are available online at www.bcf.org and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

Pfizer is hosting its annual scholarship for the **Pfizer Epilepsy Scholarship Award**. Each scholarship is worth \$3000. To qualify, a student must be under a physician's care for epilepsy. The application is available on the web at www.epilepsy-scholarship.com and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The Lambda Phi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. is requesting applications for its **Year 2008 Nursing Scholarship**. Eligible candidates are seniors who have been accepted into a program for Registered nurses who demonstrate financial need, community service, and academic achievement. Applications are available in the career center and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

McDonald's recognizes and supports outstanding youth for their academic and community achievements through its scholarship program **McDonald's Educates**. Scholarship recipients will receive \$1500 each. Eligible students must demonstrate leadership skills academically and in the community. Applications are available online at www.mcdonaldseducates.com and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

Applications are now available for the **Guaranteed Access Grant** offered by the State of Maryland. Students must have a 2.5 GPA and meet the family income bracket. Applications are available online at www.mhec.state.md.us and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The **Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation** will offer 300 scholarships to students interested in a career in graphic communications. Applications are available online at www.ipa.org/pdf/pgsfapp.pdf and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**.

The American Chemical Society is sponsoring the **ASC Scholars Program** for minority students who are high academic achievers in chemistry or science and plan to pursue a degree in the chemical sciences or chemical technology. Applications are available online at www.chemistry.org/scholars and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The **National Italian American Foundation** will offer scholarships to Italian American students who have at least a 3.5 GPA and to students of any ethnic background majoring/minoring in Italian language, Italian studies. Awards range from \$2500-\$10,000. Applications are available online at www.niaf.org and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The National Capital Area Garden Clubs, Inc. provides scholarships to students entering college to study horticulture, botany, landscape design, plant pathology, forestry, environmental concerns, and biology. The minimum award is \$3000. Applications are available online at www.ncagardenclubs.org and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The **National Press Club** is sponsoring the **Ellen Masin Persina/National Press Club Scholarship** worth \$20,000 for a minority senior interested in pursuing a career in print or broadcast journalism. Students must have at least a 2.75 GPA. Applications are available online at www.press.org/activities/scholarships.cfm and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**.

The **Services Employees International Union (SEIU)** is awarding fifteen \$1000 renewable scholarships to students who are dependents of an employee of the SEIU. Selections for the scholarship will be based on lottery. Applications are available online at www.seiu.org/mbe/scholarships/scholarships2008/seiu.cfm and must be submitted by **March 1, 2008**.

The Society of Women Engineers Baltimore-Washington Section announces the **2008 Scholarship Program**. Students must be females who have an overall GPA of 3.0 or above and planning to enroll in an ABET accredited or CSAB accredited engineering degree program. The deadline for the local SWE-BWS scholarship is **March 1, 2008** and the deadline for a national freshman scholarship is **May 15, 2008**. Information for these scholarships can be found at www.swe-bws.org and www.swe.org.

The McDonald's National Employee Scholarship Program recognizes and rewards the accomplishments of McDonald's student-employees who excel in their studies and serve their communities. One student-employee from each state will receive a \$1000 scholarship. To be eligible

students must be currently employed and have at least four months of continuous employment, and work a minimum of 15 hours. Applications are available online at www.mcdonalds.com/usa/good/people/scholarship.html and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**.

The **MG James Ursano Scholarship Fund** awards scholarships to unmarried dependent children of Army soldiers (active, retired, or deceased). Applications are available online at www.aerhq.org/education_dependentchildren_mgjames.asp and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2008**.

The **Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, Inc.** provides financial assistance to dependents of current or former U.S. Marines. One year scholarships are awarded to students who have at least a 2.0 GPA. Applications are available online at www.mcsf.org and must be postmarked by **March 3, 2008**.

American Farm Publications Inc. is accepting applications for **The Delmarva Farmer Scholarship**. Five \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to students who submit a 500-word essay detailing their agricultural background, interests, accomplishments, and financial need. Applications are available online at www.americanfarm.com and must be postmarked by **March 3, 2008**.

The **Andrews Air Force Base Officers' Spouses Club** is sponsoring their educational achievement scholarships valued between \$1500 and \$2000 -to seniors who are dependents of active duty assigned or living at Andrews AFB or dependents of civilian DOD employees assigned to Andrews AFB. Students must submit their application by **March 3, 2008**.

America's Dairy Farmers and Milk Processors and USA Today is pleased to announce the **2008 "Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year" Award Program**. Twenty-five scholar athletes will receive a \$7500 scholarship from Milk, an invitation to attend the Sammy 2008 weekend in Orlando, and an opportunity to be pictured in a Milk Mustache ad. Students must apply online at www.sammyapplication.com. Applications must be submitted by **March 7, 2008**.

The **Air Force Aid Society** is accepting applications for their \$2000 grant for graduating seniors with a parent who is an active duty or former member of the US Air Force. Applications are available online at www.afas.org and must be submitted by **March 7, 2008**.

The **City of Bowie** is accepting applications for the **City of Bowie Excellence in Education Scholarship** and the **City of Bowie Arts Committee Scholarship**. Laurel High School can nominate up to four students who have at least a 3.5 GPA for the excellence scholarship valued up to \$2500 and one for the Arts scholarships (3.0 GPA) valued at \$1000. Each scholarship requires students to live within the Bowie city limits. To be considered for the Arts scholarship, students must intend to major in visual or performing arts. Students must submit a nomination form to Mrs. Collins-Swain in the data center by **March 7, 2008**.

Fashion Institute of Technology Presidential Scholars Program offers specially designed honors liberal arts courses. Students also receive a \$500 annual stipend. Applications must be submitted by **March 19** for Bachelor's degree program and **March 12, 2008** for the associate's degree program. For more information, visit www.fitnyc.edu/honors.

The **American Association of Blacks in Energy Washington D.C. Metro Chapter** will award six scholarships in the amount of \$3000. Students must have at least a "B" average overall and a "B" average in science and mathematics courses, plan to major in engineering, mathematics, or the physical sciences, demonstrate financial need, and be a member of an underrepresented minority group in the sciences and related areas of technology. For more information visit the website at www.aabe.org. Applications must be submitted by **March 14, 2008**.

The **Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.** will award scholarships up to \$2500 to students who demonstrate financial need, academic achievement (at least a 3.0), and service to the community and/or school and submit an essay. Applications are available online at www.jackandjillfoundation.org and must be postmarked by **March 14, 2008**.

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund is designed to assist students of Hispanic heritage obtain a college degree. Award amounts range from \$1000-\$5000. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA, be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident. Applications are available online at www.hsf.net and must be submitted by **March 15, 2008**.

The American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO is accepting applications for two of their scholarship programs: **E.C. Hallbeck Memorial Scholarship Program** for students who are the children or grandchildren of an active member, retiree, or deceased member of the American Postal Workers Union and the **Vocational Scholarship Program** worth \$3000 for students interested in programs of study leading to a trade, technical, industrial, or vocational occupations. Applications can be downloaded at www.apwu.org/dept/sec-treas/stscholarships.htm and must be postmarked by **March 15, 2008**.

The Maryland PTA offers scholarships of \$300 to high school graduates who plan to pursue a career in the public schools of Maryland. Selection will be based on scholarship achievement, financial need, community involvement, character, and local PTA sponsorship. Applications are available online at www.mdpta.org under forms and must be postmarked by **March 15, 2008**.

The Kesi Gilford Reynaud Memorial Foundation is accepting applications for their \$1500 scholarship program. Students must have demonstrated financial need and have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications must be submitted by **March 15, 2008**.

Ladies of Imani Scholarship for Excellence will award a \$1000 scholarship for students. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and submit an essay of no more than 100 words on "What influential person living or dead would you most like to have a conversation with? What would be the question and why?" Applications are available online at www.ladiesofimani.org and must be submitted by **March 23, 2007**.

The Naval Officers' Wives Club of Washington, DC offers merit scholarships to seniors who are dependent children of active duty, retired, or deceased U.S. Navy service members. Applications must be submitted by **March 27, 2008**.

The Maryland Association of Private Colleges and Career Schools Scholarship Program is accepting applications from students who will attend a MAPCS career school (i.e. Lincoln Tech) in the fall of 2008. Over \$245,225 worth of scholarships will be awarded. Applications are available online at www.mapccs.org/scholarships.html and must be submitted by **March 28, 2008**.

The Asian American Journalist Association is accepting applications for the **Mary Moy Quan Ing Memorial** scholarship valued at \$2000. Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders who plan to pursue journalism in college are eligible to attend. Applications are available online at www.aaja.org and must be submitted by **March 28, 2008**.

The Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund is sponsoring a scholarship for current civilian federal or postal employees and their dependent family members. All applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available on the web at www.feea.org and must be submitted by **March 28, 2008**.

The P.G. County Chapter of the Norfolk State U. Alumni Association provides a \$500 scholarship to assist Maryland residents who attend Norfolk State U. Students must have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications must be postmarked by **March 28, 2008**.

My Sister's Keeper, Inc. Scholarship Foundation is accepting applications from students who have at least a 3.0 GPA. Four scholarships will be awarded for up to \$1000. Applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 2008**. Applications are available online at www.mysisters-keeper.org.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church of Laurel has established the **Absalom Jones Scholarship Fund**. Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to students who have demonstrated the qualities exemplified by Rev. Absalom Jones (i.e., compassion, leadership, service, interest in education) and who are in need of financial

assistance. Applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 2008**. Applications can be found at www.stphilipslaurel.org.

The Prince Hall Freemason and Eastern Star Charitable Foundation is pleased to announce its 2008 Scholarship Awards Program. Students must submit a 300-word essay on "Describe why you want a college education and why you are deserving of a scholarship." Applications must be submitted by **March 31, 2008**.

Northrop Grumman will award a \$10,000 engineering scholarship. Students must have at least a 3.5 GPA, a minimum SAT score of 1700, and be accepted in an approved engineering program. Applications are available online at www.es.northropgrumman.com and must be submitted by **March 31, 2008**.

The National Foster Parent Association, Inc. offers scholarships to foster youth who wish to further their education beyond high school. Applications are available on the web at www.nfpainc.org and must be postmarked by **March 31, 2008**.

The **League of United Latin American Citizens de Maryland** is accepting applications from Hispanic and minority students for the **LULAC National Scholarships Fund**. Awards range from \$250-\$1000. Students will be selected based on a number of criteria including GPA of 3.25 or above, 1100 or above on the SAT, need, community involvement, and leadership activities. Applications are available in the career center and online at www.lulac.org/programs/scholar.html and must be submitted by **March 31, 2008**.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is accepting applications for their 2008 scholarship. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and be in good standing in Prince George's County Public Schools. Applications are available in the career center and must be received by **March 31, 2008**.

The National Association of Hispanic Journalists NHSF Scholarship committee is accepting applications from Hispanic students who will major in journalism or pursue a major in communications. Scholarships ranging from \$1000-\$2000 will be awarded. Applications are available online at www.nahj.org and must be submitted by **March 31, 2008**.

Minority high school seniors who demonstrate high achievement with a minimum of 21 on the ACT and 1000 on the SAT, leadership potential, and financial need are eligible to apply for the **Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship** valued at up to \$7200 annually. Applications are available online at www.jackierobinson.org/apply and must be submitted by **March 31, 2008**.

Open Houses/College Tours/College Fairs

Jericho Christian Academy is hosting its First Annual College Fair on Saturday, February 23, 2008 from 11-3pm at the Jericho Christian Academy and Gymnasium. For more information contact Linda Streeter at 202-746-2102.

Wanted: Educated Black Men for the Darin E. Posey Memorial College Tour being held March 19-21, 2008. The cost is \$325. Please contact Jerome Offord, Jr. at jeromeofford@aol.com.

Announcements/Job Opportunities

The PGCPs Scholarship and Financial Aid Center at Largo H.S. is hosting a workshop on February 23, 2008 for the undecided at 9:30am. For more information call 301-808-4089 or email wilhemina.goff@pgcps.org.

Attend the Nationals Park Job Fair on February 9, 2008 at the King-Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N. Street, SW, Washington, DC from 10-2pm. Over 1200+ part-time and seasonal job opportunities in the following departments: Sales, hospitality, food service, event staff, guest services, and management are available.

Attention Seniors: Still in need of service hours? Earn a maximum of 30 service hour by generating donations from family and friends to gather personal items to be compiled in Easter Baskets. Five community service hours will be awarded per basket. The deadline for an application is February 13, 2008. See Mrs. Swartz in the guidance office for an application.

James H. Harrison Elementary School needs high school student volunteers to assist teachers with students experiencing difficulties with math and/or reading. For more information contact Victor Butler, Professional School Counselor at 301-497-3650.

Still need help in completing the FAFSA? College Goal Sunday is being held on Saturday, February 10, 2008 at Anne Arundel Community College, The Community College of Baltimore County (Catonsville, Dundalk), and Goucher College all at 2pm. For more information visit www.go2goal.org.