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COUNSELING OFFICE  
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
January 6, 2010

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**IBERO-American Action League, Inc. Hispanic Scholarship**

**Endowment Fund:** Applicant must be of Hispanic origin and must demonstrate high academic achievement with a grade point average of 3.0 (B) or better in the core subjects. Applications must be completed and received by March 12, 2010. See your counselor for more information.

**Discover Scholarship Program:** Awards up to \$400,000 in scholarships annually to high school juniors nationwide to support continued education and training beyond high school. Applicant must be a current high school junior who has a 2.75 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale for Grades 9 and 10. The applicant must also demonstrate accomplishment in community service and leadership, as well as having faced significant roadblocks or challenges. The application deadline is January 31, 2010. If you have further questions email: [info@applyists.com](mailto:info@applyists.com) or call 1-866-756-7932.

**Manning & Napier Advisors, Inc. Scholarship:** For high school seniors who have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 and a minimum combined SAT score of 1800 and plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited four-year college or university. Three awards will be granted annually: one award of \$8,000 and two awards of \$1,000 each. The awards are renewable, provided minimum grade point average and full-time enrollment is maintained. Applications and additional information will be available online beginning January 4, 2010 at: <http://www.manningnapier.scholarshipamerica.org/> Applications must be postmarked no later than February 19, 2010.

**The 2010-2011 Lilac Queen Competition:** Along with the title of Lilac Queen comes a \$1,000 scholarship as well as other prizes. The requirements are as follows: female, at least 15 years of age by the date of the pageant and cannot have had her 19 birthday as of March 1, 2011, GPA of 2.5 or better, 5"x7" head shot and entry essay. Deadline for entries is Wednesday, March 17, 2010. The application can be obtained by visiting the website at: <http://www.lilacfestival.com/>.

**St. John Fisher Foreign Language Scholarship:** This scholarship is available to high school seniors with proficiency in French, German, Italian or Spanish and a minimum 1000 SAT or 22 ACT composite score. The winner will receive \$3,000 annually over four years, if they complete two foreign language courses during their first year at Fisher and maintain a minimum 3.00 cumulative average. To qualify, students must apply for admission to St. John Fisher College and be nominated by a teacher or counselor. The nomination package must be postmarked by February 2, 2010. To download a nomination package, go to the St. John Fisher website at <http://www.sjfc.edu/freshman/scholarships/>.

**Best Buy Scholarship:** 1,000 scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded. Students need solid grades and must be involved in volunteer community service or have work experience. Visit the website to apply on-line at [http://www.bestbuyinc.com/community\\_relations/scholarship.htm](http://www.bestbuyinc.com/community_relations/scholarship.htm).

**The Community Foundation Jacqueline Hall Minet Travel Award for Cross-Cultural Understanding:** The criteria for the award is as follows: applicants must be a high school junior or senior, maintains a B or better average, have the foreign language skills needed by the travel abroad program, demonstrate cross-cultural interests in and out of school, be accepted into a travel abroad program with home stay or local culture immersion opportunities and have financial need. Preference may be given to a student visiting a Spanish-speaking country. The number and size of awards may vary and be up to \$2,000. The application forms are available in the counseling offices or on the website: <http://www.racf.org/>. Applications are due to the Community Foundation by February 5, 2010.

**\$1000 Princeton Prize in Race Relations:** Are you a high school student involved in some activity that is helping to improve race relations in your school or community? If so, please apply. This year's applications are due February 8, 2010. For further information, please visit <http://www.princeton.edu/pprize/> or contact Les Knox, Princeton Club of Rochester at 585-381-4330 or e-mail [lesknox@frontiernet.net](mailto:lesknox@frontiernet.net).

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January 23

March 13<sup>t</sup>

May 1

June 5

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**Registration Deadlines:**

December 15

February 4

March 25

April 29

**ACT Test Dates:**

February 6

April 10

June 12

\*ACT website: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)**Registration Deadlines:**

January 5

March 5

May 7

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- ✓ **Biz Kid\$:** An entrepreneurial program for youth ages 10 to 18 offered by the City of Rochester Bureau of Recreation for city residents. Biz Kid\$ is a free week-long camp that helps youth prepare to start their own real business. If you have any questions please contact Melanie Bloodworth at 585-428-7371. Brochures and applications are available in the counseling offices.
- ✓ **“Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute” April 16 – 19, 2010:** This is a unique opportunity for juniors and seniors to learn about and analyze proposed legislation, travel to Albany for 3 days of educational activities, participate in a mock New York State Assembly session, and meet and interact with other students, teachers, legislators and NY State Education Department leaders. If you have questions, please call Ellen Paz at 585-352-2790.
- ✓ **University of Rochester Science & Technology Entry Program: (STEP)** This is an academic and career development service designed for students in Grades 8 through 12 interested in medicine and the health care professions. Program Dates: Student/Parent Orientation: June 29, 2010. Classes start Monday, July 12 and run through Friday August 6, 2010; they are held Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM–3:00 PM. All application materials must be received by February 5, 2010. Applications are available in the Counseling Offices.
- ✓ **SAT Preparation Course at MCC:** The program cost is \$195.00. An excellent review book with practice exams, example essays and other learning aids is included in the cost. Pre-registration is required as seating is limited. You must withdraw at least five (5) days prior to the first class date for a refund of \$195.00.  
**Schedule:** Course Code WSAT 100-204 - Mondays and Wednesdays March 22, 24, 29, and 31, 2010 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM.  
**Location:** MCC Brighton Campus, 1000 East Henrietta Road.  
**Course Code:** WSAT 100-206 Mondays and Wednesdays April 12, 14, 26 and 28, 2010 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM  
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Additional classes instructed by MCC will be held at the Penfield Community Center in the spring of 2010. Please contact Penfield Recreation at 585-340-8658 for class session dates, fees and location. Registration forms are available in the counseling offices.

- ✓ **College Prep for Harvard:** Every summer a vibrant community of high school sophomores, juniors and seniors participate in Harvard's selective Secondary School Program. Students live on campus, take classes with college students and build a foundation for a bright academic future that includes challenging academics, college credit and tutoring and advising. Apply now. Harvard Summer School-Secondary School Program at <http://www.ssp.harvard.edu>.
- ✓ **First Annual Youth Entrepreneurship Conference "Cultivating Tomorrow's Entrepreneurs Today!"** is being held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM at Temple B'rith Kodesh, 2131 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY, 14618/ It is sponsored by the Business Education Endowment Fund and Dr. Farrah Gray is the keynote speaker. Registration forms are available in the counseling offices. Registration Brochure \$10 per student/attendee.
- ✓ **University of Rochester 2010 Pre-College Course Catalog** is now available at <http://enrollment.rochester.edu/admissions/>. Rochester's pre-college programs allow junior high and high school students to explore the U of R. There is a range of options, such as taking a one-week non-credit course, living on campus or completing a college class for credit.



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**VINCENT LOMBARDI LODGE #2270 SCHOLARSHIP:** This \$1500 scholarship will be presented to one high school graduating senior. The student must be of Italian-American heritage (at least one grandparent must be of Italian heritage) and must be planning to attend an accredited college or university in the fall of 2010. The scholarship applicant will be ranked by academic achievement as well as by special talents, experiences and/or other achievements. Candidates must submit the completed application form and all other required supported documents by March 31, 2010. Scholarship applications are available in the counseling offices.

**B. DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP:** The creators of the "*ScholarshipQuestHelper*" website are offering a scholarship for 2010. Please visit the website at <http://www.scholarshipquesthelper.com/> to apply. The deadline for applications is May 28, 2010. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000.

**NETWORK NORTH STAR SCHOLARSHIP:** Offering scholarships to college bound African-American high school students. Applications are available in the counseling offices. All applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2010. If you have additional questions, feel free to contact Deborah Quick at 724-2199 or email [Deborah.quick@kodak.com](mailto:Deborah.quick@kodak.com).

**RTA SCHOLARSHIPS:** The Rochester Teachers Association, through its Scholarship Committee, awards scholarships to needy and deserving college-bound students. Scholarship qualifications and requirements: Applicants must possess a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (B) or better. Applicants must demonstrate need for financial assistance in order to attend college. Applicants must possess definite proof of acceptance in an accredited institution of higher learning (2 or 4 years). Applicants must provide an official transcript from high school, including: senior grades to date, official class rank, grade point average, and college entrance scores (SAT, ACT, achievement tests, if available).

Applicants must provide a recommendation meeting the following criteria: recommendations must come from a counselor or senior teacher who can evaluate the student's overall academic performance. At least one recipient must be a student who intends to pursue a career in education. The award of \$1,000 will be given in two installments: the first \$500 will be awarded upon receipt of proof of registration; the second \$500 will be awarded upon receipt of first semester grade point average of no less than 3.0. All scholarship material must be submitted together and must be postmarked no later than April 16, 2010. Applications are available in the counseling offices.

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**COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY** – On January 31 East High School is hosting a program to assist seniors with filling out their FAFSA forms. Families with last names starting with A-L should arrive between 1:00–2:00 PM; last names starting with M-Z should arrive between 2:00–3:00 PM. Please see your counselor for more information and to obtain a list of what to bring with you.

**RED CROSS NEXT GENERATION LEADERS PROGRAM:** This program is available to students in grades 9-12 with a 2.0 GPA and satisfactory school attendance. Students will engage in leadership development and participate in a variety of projects and activities. Please see your counselor for details and an application.

**RIT COLLEGE ACCESS PROGRAM:** Class of 2010 and 2011: Are you ready for college life? Workshops: Saturdays, January 23, 2010 – June 12, 2010. Workshop times: 9:30–11:30 AM; applicants must be able to attend all Saturday workshops. There will be free workshops on FAFSA, college

application submission, SAT/ACT testing, scholarships, tuition cost and financial planning for students and parents. College prep materials provided. Transportation and lunch provided. Workshops conducted by RIT faculty and staff. Find out how you can attend RIT Tuition Free if you reside in the Rochester City School District. To sign up, see your Counselor for an application or contact the RIT College Access Coordinator, Krystle Jones at 475-2456 or Mrs. Freeman at 475-6307. Registration Deadlines: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 and Monday, January 25, 2010 for late submissions.

**SUNY STATEWIDE STUDENT FINANCIAL AID DAYS:** Saturday, January 23, 2010 and Saturday, February 27, 2010. SUNY campuses across New York State will offer financial aid workshops. A number of participating campuses will provide hands-on assistance from SUNY financial aid professionals in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Web access to complete the FAFSA will be offered on some campuses. Students may register online at <https://www.suny.edu/student/event> or by calling the SUNY Recruitment Response Center at 1-800-342-3811. Host campuses will confirm by mail or e-mail with registrants and provide program details including specific workshops to be offered, time, location and parking instructions.

**2010 COLLEGE FAIR – WORKSHOPS PRESENTED BY IBERO-AMERICAN ACTION LEAGUE INC. AND PRYD -** Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 10:00 AM–4:00 PM in the Cafeteria Room at School No. 9 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 485 N. Clinton Avenue, Rochester, NY. Lunch will be provided.

**PROFESSIONAL TUTORING SERVICE SAT SPRING REVIEW COURSES:** March 13 Exam Review: January 31 through March 7; May 1 Exam Review: March 14 through April 25; June 5 Exam Review April 25 through May 23. Exam reviews take place on Sunday afternoons from 12:00–4:00 PM for five weeks. The location: Murphy Hall, St. John Fisher College, 3690 East Avenue, twenty hours of instruction with highly skilled instructors. Focus on writing, verbal and math skills and strategies for taking the SAT to build student confidence. The registration fee is \$425 and includes review book and materials. Registration forms are available in the counseling offices. For more information, please call 244-9155.

**Cazenovia College 2010 Open Houses:**

February 15, 2010

Art and Design Open House

February 17, 2010      Division of Humanities, Natural Sciences and  
Education Programs  
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences  
Programs

February 19, 2010      Business Management Open House including  
Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising

March 5, 2010          Equine Career Day

Space is limited and reservations are required. For more information, please  
Call 1-800-654-3210.