

Senior Scholarships and Information

February/March 2012

For more details on the following information see
Mrs. Buckingham or Mrs. Spedowski.

Scholarships:

Were you involved in **Rocket Football or Rocket Cheerleading** in the **Northern Rocket Football League**? The NRFL has a scholarship for you. A brief essay and an application about your experience is available in the Guidance Office. **Deadline: April 15.**

Big Rapids High School Alumni Association Scholarship is now available. Please come to the Guidance Office for more information. **Deadline: Friday, April 20.**

Big Rapids Lions Club is once again offering the **Richard Donley Scholarship**. Stop in to the Guidance Office for an application.

The 2012 Stuart Hamel Memorial Award for Building Trades Students is now available. **Deadline for submission is Feb 28th.**

The Mecosta County Farm Bureau Scholarship is now available. If you or your parent or guardian is a member of the Mecosta County Farm Bureau than this \$250.00 scholarship is available for you. Stop by the Guidance Office for an application. **Deadline: April 8, 2012.**

Do you enjoy writing? Consider the Ayn Rand Essay Contest. Go to www.aynrandeducation.org/contests Deadlines vary, go to the site for more information.

MEA 13-A Coordinating Council: STUDENT ART ACQUISITION SCHOLARSHIP – Two (2) \$1,000 awards to apply to tuition, books/art supplies, and/or room & board expenses. To be eligible you must be major in an art program and be accepted by March 1, 2012. **Deadline Friday, March 23, 2012.**

Char Doerr Memorial Scholarship: This scholarship is a need-based award and is designed to help an individual who has limited resources to pay for a college education. \$2,000 will be awarded. Minimum GPA 3.25 and outstanding community service. **Deadline: April 15, 2012.** See the Guidance Office for an application.

National Academy of American Scholars (NAAS) is offering some serious CASH – please go to the www.naas.org website for more information. (GPA of at least a “C” or better).

Society of Professional Journalists Essay Scholarship - \$1,000 **Deadline: March 8, 2012.** Go to www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY: Lots of scholarship monies available at FSU depending on your ACT/SAT and GPA score. Go to their website at www.ferris.edu.

USPAACC Scholarships - \$5,000 award (**Deadline: March 16, 2012**)
Any Ethnic background may apply, however, looking for those of Asian American descent.
www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php

Islamic Society of North America: \$1000 is available if you are a graduating Muslim student. Please contact Nida Saleem directly at (317) 204-0930 or www.scholarship@isna.net.

Michigan Retailers Association Scholarship Program (MRA): If you are a child of owners or employees at an MRA-member business please contact www.retailers.com or 800-366-3699 x313. **Deadline April 2, 2012.**

MEA 13-A Coordinating Council: \$500.00 scholarship. Candidate must be accepted to FSU by March 1, 2012 and have a 3.0 or better. Applications in the Guidance Office. **Deadline Friday, March 23, 2012**

Rosa Parks Scholarship Foundation: \$2000. Winners are selected on the basis of scholarship, leadership, financial need, and dedication to the civil rights principles of Rosa L. Parks. Requirements include – 2.5 or above, financial need, application form and essay, community activities, admitted to college/university, 3 letters of recommendation. **Deadline March 1, 2012.** Application can be picked up in the Guidance Office. Or go to www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org

Haworth Scholarship and Internship: In 2012, Haworth will be awarding two Skilled Trade Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000. Applicant must plan to continue in a two-year vocational program (i.e. Tool & Die, Machine Repair, Electrician, CNC Programming, Model Maker or HVAC Technician). For an application please e-mail Scholarships@haworth.com.

The Mecosta County Foundation administers scholarships funded by various donors for students in the Mecosta County area. The eligibility and application requirements may vary but only one application needs to be filed online. Please carefully read the description given for each scholarship and apply for the one(s) that meet your qualifications. Good luck in your academic pursuits. **Deadline March 15th, 2012.** <http://www.mecostaqives.com/scholarships/>

Girls State: In the spirit of service NOT self for Veterans, God and Country. www.michalaux.org Medical Career Scholarship and the Memorial Scholarship – **deadline 3/15/12** and mailed to the local American Legion Auxiliary Unit.

AAA Michigan's Scholarship Program- Applications are now available for the AAA Michigan Scholarship Program. If you were a Safety Patrol and have proof (a certificate or documentation from your Elementary) you can apply. If you have good academic standing, community service and extra-curricular involvement please apply today. Applications need to be picked up and returned to the guidance office, **only one entry will be sent from our school** to the competition. See Mrs. Buckingham as soon as possible.

Western Michigan University College of Engineering and Applied Sciences has new requirements. Go to their website www.wmich.edu/engineer for more information.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). For more information on financial aid, please go to the following website www.FAFSA.gov:

Websites for financial aid information:

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is available online only beginning Jan 1, 2012 on a first come first serve basis.

www.fafsa.ed.gov FAFSA PIN www.pin.ed.gov

www.FinAid.org

www.CollegeGoalSundayUSA.org

www.http://studentaid.ed.gov

www.fastaid.com

www.michigan.gov/studentaid

Are you or a member of your family a member of **Credit Union One**? Stop by the Guidance office to pick up the William G. Coyne Scholarship Program Application. Criteria for eligibility include Complete 30 or more hours of documented, qualified community service during Jr/Sr year of high school ending 4/1/2012. Cumulative gpa 3.0 or above. See Guidance office for more details.

Michigan Oil & Gas Producers Education Foundation is offering a \$500 scholarship to those interested in pursuing a degree in a field of study that will allow them to obtain full time employment in the crude oil and natural gas industry. Please go online to www.mogpef.org. Deadline April 2nd, 2012.

ACT Information:

If you need to retake the ACT, go to www.actstudent.org to register ASAP!

Websites for college information:

www.CollegeAnswer.com

www.going2college.org

www.anycollege.net

www.collegenet.com

<http://collegesearch.collegeboard.com.search/advtypeofschool.jsp>

www.princetonreview.com.college/research/advsearch/match.asp

** www.careercruising.com (user name-*BRHS* password-*Cardinals* on career cruising) ** CollegeWeekLive.com

MSEP- Midwest Student Exchange Program is a tuition reduction program that makes attending out-of-state colleges more affordable. Visit <http://msep.mhec.org> for more details.

Website for college athletic eligibility requirements:

www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

Websites for scholarship information:

The scholarship services listed below are free and they provide excellent information. They match a student's interests, plans, background, and special circumstances with thousands of government, community and campus based scholarship programs. You can search for scholarships based on racial heritage, community service, proposed major, artistic talent, leadership potential, athletic ability, and /or special interests.

www.fastweb.com www.scholarships.com www.collegeboard.com

*****For information on scholarship scams, go to www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscam*****