

Joel Barlow High School

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**Guidance
Newsletter**

October, 2008

- 1 **Financial Aid Workshop for Parents**
*Wednesday
October 29, 2008
in Media Center*
- 2 **Guidance - eBoard: Please check our eBoard for upcoming events**

SCHOLARSHIPS: As part of the Guidance Department program, we provide scholarship information to our students. Every effort is made to include information on a timely basis. However, there are instances when information is received after a newsletter is posted on the internet and a deadline will occur before the next newsletter is posted. This information has been summarized for your consideration. Scan the list carefully to see what you might qualify for.

In addition, numerous colleges and universities offer scholarships to accepted seniors. The criteria for these scholarships vary, as does the application submission date. The

Career Center has additional details and applications. Stop in and ask for the appropriate forms.

Horatio Alger Association is offering a scholarship to graduating seniors who plan to continue their education no later than the fall of 2009, intend to pursue a bachelor's degree, have a minimum GPA of 2.0, have critical financial need (\$50K or less adjusted gross income per family is preferred), have involvement in co-curricular and community activities and be a US citizen. Applications are available at www.horatiaoalger.org. The deadline date is October 31, 2008.

The Christian Connection provides information on Christian colleges and has a scholarship drawing. Go to www.christianconnector.com for more information.

Anycollege.com offers random drawings for students who sign up by going to their website. The ongoing deadlines to visit the "Win a Scholarship" link are December 31, 2008, March 31 and June 30, 2009.

Abbott & Fenner Scholarships are available to all high school juniors and seniors, as well as those currently registered in a post secondary institution. To apply, an essay on one of two topics must be written and submitted by June 30, 2009. For further information, visit www.abbotandfenner.com/scholarships.htm or the Career Center.

Peterson's Scholarship Search Get free access to one of the largest undergraduate scholarship databases available! Peterson's Scholarship Search connects you with more than 1.68 million scholarships, grants, and awards worth \$7.69 billion. Visit www.petersons.com to learn more.

BigSun Scholarship is available to assist young athletes in furthering their academic pursuits regardless of the sport involved in. Visit

www.bigsunathletics.com to apply. The deadline date is June 25, 2009.

The Borck Foundation offers an annual scholarship based on academic responsibility, excellent citizenship and an interest in golf. Applicants must have participated in The Borck Junior Golf Tournament and have displayed some involvement with the game. Applications must be received by the first week in July 2009. Applications will be available in the Career Center in March.

CHET (we Care, we Help, we Excel Together) Scholarships are available to help Connecticut residents who have lost a parent or sibling to cancer. Visit the Career Center for eligibility requirements and application, or visit www.cancercare.org

Milton Fisher Scholarship is now a four-year scholarship and is offered to a junior or senior and can be applied to any undergraduate degree program. The scholarship committee is seeking an applicant who "shows the most promise as an innovative, creative problem solver." Submitted requirements include an application, essay, letters of recommendation and transcripts. Extracurricular information also plays an important role in selection. Financial need is not a determining factor. Visit the Career Center or www.rbffoundation.org/milton-fisher-scholarship/ for an application and submit by March 31, 2009.

The Kline Family Community Service Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who plans to attend the University of Connecticut and has demonstrated record of community service. Visit www.info@klinefamilyscholarship.org for further information. Applications are available in the Career Center and must be submitted by June 1, 2009.

First Freedom Student

Competition announces a national essay contest for 9th – 12th grade students with a cash award. Students will be asked to examine the First Amendment and the history and relevance of religious freedom in America and the world today. The Deadline for online registration is Monday, November 24, 2008 & Saturday, November 29, 2008. Visit www.firstfreedom.org and click on the red button under Council News for more information.

American Legion has published an updated edition of *Need A Lift?* The 152-page book lists scholarships, grants and loans for which students may qualify. The book is available to purchase for \$3.00 plus \$.95 shipping by calling 1-888-453-4466. www.srnexpress.com provides a search engine for additional aid based upon a student's major, college selected, interests and/or hobbies. Visit www.legion.org for further information.

Prudential Spirit of Community

Awards: Students who have taken part in extended community service over the last year are invited to complete an online application for this award. One applicant will be chosen to represent the school at the state level, and will be eligible to compete nationally. Two runners-up will also receive recognition. The online application is available at www.prudential.com/spirit or www.principals.org/prudential (access key: spirit). Please print out the completed application and turn it in to the guidance office **by October 31, 2008.**

The Stamford Symphony has announced their 2008 Instrumental Scholarship Competition for high school musicians. Applicants must be seniors in high school, a resident of attend high school in CT and intend on applying as music performance majors to accredited conservatories, colleges or universities. First place prize is the Jeniam Foundation Scholarship for

\$10,000 (\$2,500 annually) – Second place prize is the Jeniam Foundation Scholarship for \$7,000 (\$1,250 annually) and Third place prize is the Janet Meeker Scholarship for \$4,000 (\$1,000 annually). The deadline for receipt of applications is December 1, 2008. Further information may be obtained in the Career Center and you can obtain applications by calling the SSO offices at (203) 325-1407 ext 12 or by downloading them at www.stamfordsymphony.org

The Stephen Phillips Memorial Scholarship Fund offers renewable, 4-year scholarships to students with financial need who display academic excellence, a demonstrated sense of service to those around them, good character, and a strong work ethic. Awards are limited to residents of New England states only. Complete information can be found in the Career Center or by visiting www.phillips-scholarship.org

Big Y Scholarships are available to all High School Seniors, Undergraduates, Graduates, Community College and Non-Traditional (not traditional college age) students. Big Y awards over 300 scholarships each year totaling more than \$250,000. Please stop in the Career Center for an application. The deadline to submit your application is February 1, 2009.

Connecticut State University is offering the following Scholarships to graduating High School Seniors who have been accepted to one of the universities in the CSU system for the Fall 2009 semester.

Ted Martocchio Scholarship – up to \$2,000 cash award

Pratt and Whitney Science and Technology Scholarship - \$1,000 cash award

T. Clark Hull Public Service Scholarship - \$500 cash award

Complete information on these scholarships can be found in the Career Center or by visiting www.csusystemfoundation.org

Ron Brown Scholarship Program

honors the late Ronald H. Brown, Secretary of Commerce during the Clinton Administration. The Scholarship may be used at any four-year college or university in the U.S. and is not limited to particular academic disciplines. Applications are due no later than November 1, 2008. Please visit the Career Center for more information or go to www.ronbrown.org

The Connecticut Bar Foundation

has announced the Ninth Annual James W. Cooper Fellows Essay Contest. The 2008-2009 topic is "Techno Trouble". The Winner shall receive a \$3,000 savings bond and the two runners-up will receive a \$1,500 savings bond. The deadline is March 6, 2009. Please stop by the Career Center or visit www.cbf.ctbar.org

Scripps New Generation

Scholarship provides for four years of full tuition, room, board, three roundtrip airfares home each academic year, and funding for one summer research stipend to be used sometime during a student's time at Scripps. Students wishing to apply must submit their application for admission by November 1, 2008. For more information please stop by the Career center or visit www.scrippscollege.edu

NFIB YEF (Young Entrepreneur

Foundation) is awarding a minimum of 400 scholarships including non-renewable and renewable awards (nationwide) ranging in value of \$1,000 - \$10,000. Apply on-line at www.NFIB.com/YEA click on 'Apply Now', once on the ISTS website click the 'APPLY or update a new application' link – when prompted us the ACCESS KEY: NFIB. The Deadline is December 15, 2008. Please stop by the Career Center or visit www.NFIB.com/YEA for more information.

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of CT will award three \$1,250 scholarships. Applications are in the Career Center.

Belk Scholarship at Davidson College is Due November 15, 2008 – we still need a nomination... are you it? Stop by the Career Center to pick up a nomination form.

2009 Kolinsky Journalism Scholarship - The scholarship provides a minimum of \$1,000 to a secondary school senior from Connecticut who is admitted to an accredited four-year college for studies leading to a career in sports journalism. A winner of the scholarship may apply for increased grants for succeeding years of undergraduate study provided he/she meets standards of progress set by the Alliance. A student who remains a Kolinsky Scholar for four years may receive grants totaling \$6,500. All applications and supporting materials must be received by 9 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2009, or postmarked before 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, 2009. No late application will be considered. For more information please stop in the Career Center or contact Robert Barton, Alliance scholarship chairman, by e-mail at RbrtBarton@aol.com or by phone at (860) 677-0087.

Inspire the Future "Write On" Scholarship Contest is offering up to \$20,000 in college scholarships. If you are between the ages of 13 and 18 and are a New England Patriots fan, simply write a 500 – 750 word essay about the most recent Patriots game. After every 4 game stretch on the Patriots schedule, one first place winner will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship, two second place winners will be rewarded \$2,500, and six third place winners will receive \$1,000 in scholarship money. Winners will qualify will be eligible to win the \$15,000 grand prize, a \$10,000 second place prize and a \$5,000

honorable mention prize. Please visit www.TotallyPatriots.com for official rules or visit the Career Center.

Villanova University Presidential Scholarship Program seeks to attract academic, civic and cultural leaders who represent diverse intellectual, social, racial and economic backgrounds. Presidential scholarships cover full tuition for eight consecutive semesters and are awarded to students who have demonstrated academic achievement and active participation in their school and the broader civic community. Students must be formally nominated by the chief academic officer of their high school (principal, president or headmaster) or by a school official designated to represent him or her. Nomination deadline is December 15, 2008, scholarship application deadline is January 7, 2009. Please visit www.villanova.edu/presidentialscholarships for more information or visit the Career Center.

PTA Let you Talent Shine – Are you looking for a way to express yourself and show others your talent as a photographer, visual artist, writer, composer, choreographer, or film producer? Participate in PTA's Reflections Program. The 2008 - 2009 theme is "Wow!". Think about what you can do to make a difference. Then create an original piece of artwork in one of six categories: musical composition, dance choreography, film production, literature, visual arts, or photography. Express your thoughts and creativity and earn recognition. To learn more and to view a gallery of last year's national award-winning entries, visit www.pta.org. Stop by the Career Center for an application or to learn more about this program. All entries must be brought to Mrs. Farrell in the Guidance Office by Thursday, January 8, 2009.

University of Connecticut Fall 2009 Day of Pride and Nutmeg Scholarship applications are in the Career Center – application deadline is November 1, 2008. All students nominated for either one of the scholarships are required to complete the admissions application online. Students will continue to receive the specific Day of Pride or Nutmeg supplemental application materials from Mrs. Salierno in the Career Center. If you have any questions or require further information please visit the Career Center or contact Aida Silva, Associate director of Admissions, at (860) 486-3137 or by e-mail at aida.silva@uconn.edu.

Ohio Wesleyan University Merit Awards offer full tuition scholarships, three-quarter tuition scholarships, and half tuition scholarships. Learn more about these scholarships, other merit awards, and OWU's second-to-none Honors Program. Call 1(800) 922-8953 or (740) 368-3020, e-mail owuadmit@owu.edu, visit www.owu.edu or visit the Career Center for more information.

McKelvey Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship is available to all high school seniors who have demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit by owning and operating their own business while in high school. To qualify you must graduate in the Spring of 2009, attend a 4 year college within the 50 states, own and operate a genuine business, non-profits are eligible, have at least one paid employee and complete the online application by January 25, 2009. They are offering up to \$10,000 per academic year for 4 years to any US college. Please visit the Career Center for more information or go to www.mckelveyfoundation.org