

Counselors' News

March 8-12, 2010

The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short; but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark. ~ Michelangelo

College decisions are rolling in!!! In May, Mrs. Brill will ask for your final college decision / transcript request and a listing of your scholarship awards. Miss Rounds will talk (brag) about scholarship amounts and colleges at graduation.

Think you won't qualify for financial aide? Think again! Select colleges have given need-based grants to students whose families make as much as \$200K/year!

Princeton Review's National Testing Day will offer a full-length practice test on Saturday March 20 in C-Wing from 9:00 – 1:00. Only students who have completed the required parent permission form may participate.

LSU Continuing Education in Shreveport – Fantastic summer programs for **speed reading** and **reading comprehension** (all ages) – forms in the counseling area.

Scholarship Opportunities (for seniors, if not stated):

All Grades: You may register with the **Gates Millennium Scholars Program** for consideration and preparation for a great scholarship! Must be a minority student with a 3.3/4.0 overall GPA. Need based – must be Pell eligible. More info can be found at www.gmsp.org.

The FAFSA is THE application for TOPS. It must be filed between January 1 and July 1, 2010 without penalty. This applies to seniors only! All 2009 earnings (W-2 or 1099) must be received before filing this form. Even if you don't qualify for federal aid, most colleges require this before awarding you any type of scholarship. It is now time to go to www.PIN.ed.gov and get your two PIN's to sign your forms on www.FAFSA.ed.gov.

Young men must be registered for **Selective Service** – It takes 3 minutes at www.sss.gov
See the "Don't Blow Your TOPS" poster at www.caddomagnet.net.

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship – all ages – www.kohlkids.com – March 15

Our Lady of the Lake (Health System) - \$500/semester – one nominee – March 15

Caddo District PTA Scholarship – well-rounded seniors – March 26 – see Mrs. Brill

Bossier Federal Credit Union – Brochures on black table in C-Wing – March 26

QuestBridge is offering 10 full scholarships to college summer programs of highly prestigious colleges. All (yes, all) expenses paid – need based / top students only – March 29

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity – Outstanding Minority Male – One nominee – April 1

Ollie Wimberly III – 3.0 GPA / Church & Community – www.olliewimberly.com – April 1

Amin Scholarship – African-American / 2.5 / See Mrs. Brill ASAP – April 3

National Right to Life Oratory Contest – Susan Flanagan @ 861-6879 – April 9

LMSA Scholarship for future teachers – www.lmsaonline.org – April 9

Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding for Vocational/Technical – April 16

2010 Student-View Scholarship – complete a survey – www.student-view.com – April 22

AES Engineers - \$500 based on character shown in an essay at

www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm – deadline October 8, 2010

2010 Horatio Alger State Scholarship – Louisiana college / critical financial need – April 15

www.horatioalger.org/scholarships

Junior League of Shreveport-Bossier – 3.5/4.0 – Mega Service! April 19

Arminda D. Riser – Education major at LSU Shreveport – 2.5/4.0 – April 23

For Juniors – **Alexander Hamilton Citizenship Award** – www.hamiltonfriends.org

Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants – www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm -

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Phi Kappa Psi – Jared Rachal Memorial – LSU/Male/leader/service/3.25weighted – July 19

Not a Senior? To find scholarships for your age group, go to www.cappex.com or

www.schoolsoup.com or www.finaid.org or www.

College Visits in Library or Outside the Cafeteria / College Programs

Saturday, March 20

Our Lady of the Lake College Open House in Baton Rouge

Wednesday, April 28

LA Tech Engineering Day <http://esa.latech.edu/register.html>