



**THOMAS STONE HIGH SCHOOL
CAREER CENTER NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY 2009**

These programs and scholarships are listed for your information. The staff of Charles County Public Schools and Thomas Stone High School does not rate the quality or value of any of these. For more information on any of these programs, please see Mrs. Bilmanis in the Career Center.

**You Can Afford College
Sunday February 8 at 1:00PM
College of Southern Maryland in BI 113
Free Financial Aid Advice**

Sign up in the Career Center for:

- ❖ CSM Placement Test TBD (Srs. Only)
- ❖ ASVAB Feb. 27 (Must be at least 16)
- ❖ On-site Admissions with UMES

Keep your eye on the space outside of Room 909 to see which colleges are hosting Open Houses and Information Sessions.

Get information in the Career Center about Bus Tours to Historically Black Colleges and Universities



The United Negro College Fund presents its 29th Annual Black College Day on February 18 at Vermont Ave. Baptist Church See Mrs. Bilmanis for details.

Programs to Note

- Civista Medical Center has opportunities for teens to have healthcare environment experience through their VolunTeen Program. You must be 14 years of age. Applications will be accepted starting in February. Call 301-609-4444 to receive an application.
- Student Conservation Association Conservation Crews is an opportunity for young people, ages 15-19, to make a difference in the world. Students work with people from all over the United States and travel to some of the nation's national parks and forests. While there, they work on and conserve public lands. For information on this program contact the SCA Admissions Department at admissions @thesca.org or call 603-543-1700 x499.
- On Feb. 7, Widener University (PA) will host a one-day Engineering Mini-Camp for girls in grades 9 – 12. The purpose is to bring together young women with an interest in the STEM fields with professional women

- engineers. The camp is free but limited to 150 students. The camp will include hands-on laboratory activities. Interested students should apply online at www.widener.edu/SOE/minicampgirls.
- George Washington University (DC) will offer its Summer Scholars Pre-College Programs for rising 10th, 11th, and 12th graders in two sessions, July 5-15 and July 19-29. The first session will include classes on Biomedical Engineering, Election Politics, Law and Evidence, and Photojournalism. Session 2 will include American Foreign Policy, Environmental Studies, Interior Design, Museum Studies, and Political Theory. A 6-week writing seminar, awarding 3 credits, is offered to rising seniors. Go on-line to www.summerscholars.gwu.edu for more information.
 - Carnegie Mellon University (PA) Summer of Exploration is a 6-week program of study in 7 distinct pre-college programs, Fine Arts, Architecture, Art, Design, Drama, Music, and Digital Game Development. Information is available at www.cmu.edu/enrollment/pre-college.
 - Auditions for Dance Scholarships at University of MD will be held March 1. Applications are due Feb. 17. Contact 301-405-3180 for information and application forms.
 - Wayne Community College (NC) is holding a large scale graphics and game design event on Feb. 7 from 10 AM until 9 PM. Get more information on the Carolina Games Summit at www.carolinagamesummit.com.
 - North Carolina A&T is now accepting applications for the Research Apprenticeship Program for its hands-on residential program in science research for high school juniors and seniors. The RAP program will be held June 19-July 24. The application deadline is Feb. 27. For more information, go on-line to www.ag.ncat.edu.
 - St. George's University (Grenada, West Indies) will host a Med/Vet Summer Academy. There will be two sessions. One for students 18 and older from June 8 through June 17. The second will be for students aged 15-17 and will be held June 22 through July 1. For information, please email Thomas Day at tday@squ.edu.
 - University of Delaware will host its "Summer College" program where sophomores and juniors can earn 6-7 college credits.

\$\$\$ SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS \$\$\$\$

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, COME TO THE CAREER CENTER TO PICK UP FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID MATERIALS.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS,
BECAUSE SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES MAY NOT HAVE PASSED**

Waldorf Jaycees

Eligibility: senior, attend College of Southern Maryland, GPA>2.0
Award: \$1,000, renewable
Deadline: return completed packet to Mrs. Bilmanis by April 1

Charles County Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: seniors, one application form — thirty four different scholarships.
Award: amounts vary
Deadline: March 2 (if you return to Mrs. Bilmanis she will mail applications), form is available online at www.ccboe.com (under students) and on our website www.ccboe.com/stone. You can type in your information at the site and then print out the completed form.

Maryland Delegates Scholarships

Eligibility: senior, must reside within the individual delegate's legislative district
Award: amount varies
Deadline: April 15

My Sister's Keeper

Eligibility: senior, community service, GPA \geq 3.0
Award: up to \$1000
Deadline: March 31

Masonic Charities Scholarship

****Can be used at any college or trade school****

Eligibility: senior, community service and leadership
Award: not stated
Deadline: return to Mrs. Bilmanis by March 13

2009 Women of Tomorrow Awards

Eligibility: high school females, all grades, community service
Award: recognition certificate
Deadline: resume and application due March 1 to Mrs. Bilmanis

Northrup Grumman Engineering Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, major in Engineering, GPA \geq 3.5, SAT \geq 1700
Award: \$10,000
Deadline: **received** by March 31

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Eligibility: senior, dependent of a Marine (active duty, retired, Reserve, honorable discharge, medical discharge, or deceased); OR dependent of Navy Corpsman who has served with the Marine Corps; OR grandchild of a Marine who served in 4th, 5th or 6th Marine division in WWII, USMC/Combat Helicopter Association or 531 Gray Ghost Squadron, **See application for complete list of eligible dependents**

Award: up to \$12,500

Deadline: March 1

Dwight Jacobus Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, GPA \geq 3.0, major in business or education

Award: \$1,000, renewable

Deadline: March 1

AFCEA NOVA Scholarships, Grants and Awards

Eligibility: senior, major in computer science, IT, engineering, physical/natural science, math, or other technology-related field that supports National Security

Award: up to \$4000

Deadline: March 30, apply online at www.afceanova.org/education/scholarship

AFCEA Maryland Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, GPA \geq 3.5, major in computer science, IT, engineering, physical/natural science, math, or communications

Award: up to \$1500

Deadline: April 1

Baltimore Community Foundation Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: eligibility varies with each scholarship

Award: \$1000

Deadline: February 15 for both College Bound Foundation and Baltimore Community Foundation consideration. April 1 for BCF consideration only

Alzheimer's Foundation of America AFA Teens Essay Contest

Eligibility: senior

Award: \$5000

Deadline: Feb. 15

Patuxent Dental Society Scholarship

Eligibility: senior who has been accepted to an accredited school for dental hygiene or dentistry

Award: not stated

Deadline: March 1

Blacks in Government Coast Guard Headquarters Chapter Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, GPA \geq 2.0

Award: not stated

Deadline: March 31

Delmarva Farmer Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, farm background, or study agriculture related major

Award: \$1000

Deadline: March 2

Best Buy Scholarship

Eligibility: high school student, community service

Award: \$1500

Deadline: Feb. 15, apply online at www.bestbuy.com/scholarships

Access to Education Scholarships

Eligibility: senior

Award: \$1500

Deadline: Feb. 16, apply online at www.usafunds.org/scholarship

Federal Water Quality Association

Eligibility: senior, plan to pursue an environmental career

Award: up to \$2000

Deadline: April 20

Maryland PTA Education Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, major in education, GPA \geq 2.75 unweighted

Award: \$500

Deadline: March 15

Colonial Agricultural Educational Foundation

Eligibility: several different scholarships, only one application (check those for which you are eligible)

Award: varies

Deadline: March 1

Maryland Farm Bureau

Eligibility: senior, applicant or applicant's parent must be a member of the Farm Bureau

Award: \$3000

Deadline: February 10

Romeo Bishundhat Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility: senior
Award: \$500
Deadline: April 1, resume and 200 word essay on patriotism to Mrs. Bilmanis

Kappa Alpha Psi Scholarship

Eligibility: male senior
Award: \$500
Deadline: March 15

College of Southern Maryland – Women In Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Essay Contest

Eligibility: high school female student
Award: \$250
Deadline: March 7

Joseph Fox Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, major in reading or reading related field, and pursue a career in teaching
Award: \$2000
Deadline: April 15

Through the Looking Glass Scholarship

Eligibility: senior with disabled parent
Award: \$1000
Deadline: March 16

Esperanza Education Fund

Eligibility: senior born outside of US (or both parents born outside of US)
Award: up to \$10,000
Deadline: application form will be available soon at <http://esperanzafund.org/scholarship.htm>

Absalom Jones Scholarship

Eligibility: seniors, financial need, must live in Charles Co.
members of an Episcopal parish within the Diocese of Washington given additional consideration
Award: \$1,000
Deadline: March 31

McDonough Charity School Scholarship

Eligibility: senior, financial need
Award: varies
Deadline: April 1

JUST FOR JUNIORS**2009 Beat the Odds Scholarship**

Eligibility: junior, GPA >3.0, someone who has overcome tremendous odds to become successful
Award: up to \$10,000
Deadline: return completed application to Mrs. Bilmanis by April 1