NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR TROJAN NEWSLETTER

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Tradition never graduates.

A NOTE FROM YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELORS

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We know you are excited to see your graduation year on the calendar. We also understand the level of excitement that comes with your last semester of high school. Continue to do well and keep a positive mindset. June will be here before you know it, so make the most of your last semester and finish strong! Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help.

Congratulations to our seniors who finished first semester! Best wishes to you in your future endeavours!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please see Ms. Elmore in the School Counseling Office if you are interested in any of the scholarships listed. If you need a paper application, please complete one of the "Scholarship Request Forms" outside of Ms. Elmore's office. Scholarships with a red asterisk (*) do not have paper applications available.

Deadline: January 4, 2018

Deadline: January 9, 2018

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest*

Amount: \$500-\$10,000

This essay contest is open to United States high school students in grades 9-12. Visit www.jfklibrary.org/essaycontest for additional information and to submit an essay.

Ron Brown Scholar Program

Amount: \$40,000

The Ron Brown Scholar program seeks to identify students who will make significant contributions to society. Applicants must excel academically, show exceptional leadership potential and make an impact on their communities through service to leaders. Criteria: U.S. citizen or permanent resident, Black/African American and current high school senior at the time of application. Visit their website for additional information and to download an application: https://www.ronbrown.org/section/apply/rbsp-application

<u>Kittie Moss Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship</u>* Deadline: January 15, 2018

Amount: Not specified

This scholarship is offered to students who meet certain academic and financial criteria. Criteria: High school seniors enrolled in a South Carolina high school, SC resident, cumulative unweighted 3.0 GPA, minimum combined SAT score of 1100 or ACT composite score of 26, must plan to attend an accredited, four year college/university located in South Carolina, and parents must have a household adjusted gross income not exceeding \$40,000. Interested applicants may apply online at www.csascholars.org

South Carolina Junior Golf Foundation Scholarship* Deadline: January 15, 2018

Amount: Not Specified

This scholarship is sponsored by the South Carolina Junior Golf Foundation Program. Criteria: Seniors in a South Carolina high school OR undergraduates in a South Carolina college/university, cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale, South Carolina residents, and have a competitive or recreational interest in golf. Recipients must attend an accredited public or private, four-year college/university located in South Carolina in the fall of 2018. Applications can be obtained and submitted online at www.scholarshipprograms.org

Annual Elks National Oratorical Contest

Amount: \$10,000

This oratorical contest is sponsored by the Grand Lodge of Elks Department of Education. Visit https://www.legion.org/oratorical/rules for additional information.

Deadline: January 25, 2018

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Harry Hampton Scholarship*

Amount: \$5,000/year for four years

This scholarship is sponsored by the Hampton Wildlife Fund. It is for students in the natural resources disciplines of wildlife biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine or environmental science. Scholarship applications can be downloaded at www.HamptonWildlifeFund.org/scholarship.html

David M. Cline Scholarship*

Amount: \$2,000

This scholarship is sponsored by the Hampton Wildlife Fund. It is for students who wish to further their education in law enforcement, criminal justice or forensic science. . Scholarship applications can be downloaded at www.HamptonWildlifeFund.org/scholarship.html

James O. Thomasson Scholarship*

Amount: \$2,000/year for four years

This scholarship is sponsored by the Hampton Wildlife Fund. It is for students who wish to further their education in print or photo journalism, advertising, public relations or mass communications. This scholarship requires the student to submit a topical essay. Scholarship applications can be downloaded at www.HamptonWildlifeFund.org/scholarship.html

Wallace F. Pate Scholarship*

Amount: \$2,500

This scholarship is sponsored by the Hampton Wildlife Fund. It is for students in the natural resources disciplines of wildlife biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine or environmental science. Scholarship applications can be downloaded at www.HamptonWildlifeFund.org/scholarship.html

James F. Byrnes Scholarship*

Amount: \$14,000

This scholarship was established in 1949 to assist young South Carolinians who have lost one or both parents to obtain a college education. Information is available at www.byrnesscholars.org

Deadline: February 1, 2018

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Deadline: February 1, 2018

Deadline: February 15, 2018

Deadline: March 1, 2018

2018 Journalism Contest*

Amount: Undergraduate tuition and fees

This scholarship is sponsored by the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. Applicants must write a three-page article on the benefits of hiring people with disabilities. The contest winner receives a four-year scholarship to the South Carolina state-supported institution of his/her choice. The scholarship pays for undergraduate tuition and fees. To enter, you must be a South Carolina resident aged 16-19 years old and a senior in high school. **You do not have to have a disability.** For complete rules and eligibility requirements, visit www.journalism.svrd.net

Coach James Day Scholarship*

Amount: \$1,000

This scholarship is available to track and field athletes who participated in the Bob Hayes Invitational Track and Field Meet. Guidelines and the scholarship packet are available at www.bhitm.org.

Dr. Ann Cain Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

This scholarship is sponsored by the Juneteenth-Rock Hill Scholarship Committee. It was established in memory of Dr. Ann Cain who spent her life educating children, encouraging them to strive for excellence and passing on the love of learning. Criteria: Rock Hill resident from Rock Hill School District, African-American high school senior graduating in June of current school year, accepted into an accredited college/university, plan to major in Education and demonstrated commitment to public service. See Ms. Elmore for an application.

Tusculum College Trustee Honor Scholarship*

Amount: Full tuition

Tusculum College is offering a full-tuition scholarship opportunity for exemplary academic students. Criteria: minimum 3.5 GPA, ACT score of 25 or SAT score of 1150, and rank in top 10% of class. Applicants must complete the general Tusculum application for admission and supporting documentation. The Trustee Honor Scholar application can be found at www.tusculum.edu/trusteescholars/

Garrick-Ramseur Memorial Scholarship

Amount: \$500-\$1500

This scholarship is sponsored by the Rock Hill Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. It is memory of Margaret Garrick and Essie Ramseur. Scholarships may go toward studies at an accredited two or four-year institution. Criteria: Attend a York County high school or current/past Rock Hill Alumnae Jabberwock participant, minimum 3.0 GPA, community service and demonstrate leadership. Preference is given to minority students. Please see Ms. Elmore for an application or download one at www.dstrockhill.org

Deadline: March 14, 2018

Deadline: March 15, 2018

Deadline: March 16, 2018

Deadline: May 14, 2018

Deadline: Not specified

Deadline: Not Specified

York County Genealogical & Historical Society

Amount: \$500

This scholarship is sponsored by the York County Genealogical and Historical Society. It was established in 1999 to give financial assistance to a deserving high school student. It is open to public school graduates of high schools in York County, SC. Criteria: Evidence of interest in history or genealogy and minimum 3.5 GPA. See Ms. Elmore for an application.

George Rogers Foundation Scholarship

Amount: Not specified

This scholarship was founded by George Rogers in an effort to provide scholarships for first in family students in need of financial assistance to pursue a college education. Criteria: South Carolina resident, first person in your family to attend a two or four year college and graduating high school senior. See Ms. Elmore for an application or email her at belmore@rhmail.org to request a copy.

SunTrust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes*

Amount: \$500

This scholarship is sponsored by SunTrust Bank. Two scholarship winners will be randomly chosen every two weeks from October 30, 2017 until May 14, 2018. This is open to high school seniors and undergraduates. No GPA or financial aid requirements. Enter now at www.suntrust.com/offtocollege

RaiseMe Micro Scholarships*

Amount: Varies

Through RaiseMe, you can earn "micro-scholarships" (performance-based scholarships) from over 250 colleges for each of their academic and extracurricular achievements beginning in the 9th grade. Visit https://www.raise.me/micro-scholarships for additional information.

York Tech Presidential Scholars Program*

The Presidential Scholars Program at York Technical College provides a select group of high-achieving students with a unique educational experience designed to prepare them for success at their choice. Other benefits include: Tuition waiver for LIFE scholar recipients, textbooks provided for Presidential Scholars courses, designated faculty mentors, exclusive leadership opportunities and enrichment activities and an accelerated path to a university. Criteria: 3.0 GPA in high school and place into English 101 or higher and Math 110 or higher. Email presidentialscholars@yorktech.edu for additional information.

Call Me MISTER program *

Amount: \$5,000

This scholarship is designed for African-American males who are interested in pursuing a career in education. MISTER is an acronym for Mentors Instructing Students Toward Effective Role Models. Applicants must apply and be accepted to one of the participating institutions (Anderson, Benedict, Claflin, Clemson, College of Charleston, Coastal Carolina, Greenville Tech, Midlands Tech, Morris College, South Carolina State University, Tri-County Tech, Trident Tech, Winthrop University or USC-Beaufort). Once you complete the college admissions application, you must complete the Call Me Mister online referral application. This can be accessed at www.callmemister.clemson.edu.

Deadline: Not specified

REMEMBER: Keep a list of your scholarship offers even if you do not plan to accept them. We will ask you to provide a list at the final senior meeting. The Class of 2017 received over \$13 million in scholarship offers! Come on...the Class of 2018 can do it, too!

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES	
January 12, 2018	Deadline for February 10 th ACT
January 15, 2018	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)
January 24, 2018	Balance due on senior supplies
February 1, 2018	ACT

MAKE-UP SCHOOL

Make-Up School will be held January 16, January 18 and January 20 for any <u>SENIOR</u> that received FAs during 1st semester of 2017-2018. This is mandatory if the student plans to graduate in June. The cost is \$20 per session.

Also, any senior that completed MUS last semester and did not pay needs to do so as soon as possible. FAs will not be cleared until payment is received. Please see Mrs. Hope or Mr. Smith with any questions.

SENIOR SUPPLIES

Mr. Roth from Balfour will be in the A lobby during all lunches on Wednesday, January 24th to collect balances for your senior supply orders.

TALENT HUNT COMPETITION

The Omegas of Rock Hill, Inc. Kappa Alpha Chapter will present its Annual Talent Hunt Program on February 25, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. The event provides exposure, encouragement, and financial assistance to talented young people. The local winner receives a \$500 scholarship and will represent the chapter at the Sixth District completion in Charleston, SC, on Friday, April 27, 2018. Guidelines: High school student residing in York or Chester county, only classical and/or semi-classical music will be rendered in vocal or instrumental competition (some selections from Classical Broadway Musicals are accepted), all music is memorized, each performance is six minutes and contestant must not have attained professional status. Contact Carl Ratliff at (803) 493-7886 if you are interested.

ESSAY CONTEST

The Central City Optimist Club is sponsoring an essay contest for students under the age of 18 as of October 1, 2017. Participants must be under the age of 18 as of October 1, 2017. Topic: "Can Society Function Without Respect?" The district winner will receive a \$2,500 scholarship. Please see Ms. Elmore for additional information.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

U.S. Army Future Soldier





Name: Matthew Wooten
Job: 25N Nodal Network Systems Operator w/ Airborne
Bonus: \$9,000 sign-on bonus & Free College
Recruiter: Sergeant First Class Kyle Meisenbach

Contact SFC Meisenbach: (803) 479-1894



Congratulations to Matthew Wooten on his enlistment in the United States Army!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



Hosted by the Museum of York County
4621 Mount Gallant Road Rock Hill, SC 29732

Next Meeting:

Thursday, January 18, 2018 6:00-7:30 pm (Doors close at 6:30 pm)

Your Brain on Meditation and Yoga

Did you know that thousands of hours of meditation might alter brain structure and function? Some schools are now implementing yoga and meditation programs to help students cope with stress.

Guest speaker **Dr. Courtney Guenther**, an Assistant Professor of Biology at Winthrop University, will discuss the neuroscience behind meditation and yoga along with hands-on practice through postures, breathing exercises, and guided meditation.

Teen Science Cafe out-of-school programs are a free, fun way for teens to explore the big advances in science and technology affecting their lives. Teens and STEM experts engage in lively conversations and activities to explore a topic deeply.

Monthly meetings for York County residents in grades 9 -12.

Teen advisory committee meetings are held at the York County Library. Next teen advisory meeting is on Friday, Jan. 9, 2018 from 6 - 7 pm.

For more information, visit chmuseums.org/teensciencecafe









Saving One Life at a Time...

YORK COUNTY

OPIOID SUMMIT 2018

Thursday, Jan 25th, 2018 2:30-5:00 PM at Magnolia Room - Laurel Creek

Special thanks to Congressman Ralph Norman and Senator Lindsey Graham for their support.

Opioid/Heroin use has become a national health crisis. Every 20 minutes someone dies from an opioid/heroin overdose. It has become an equal opportunity killer right here in York County. At this summit, experts will address the issue in three ways:

- 1. Current facts and data
- 2. What's being done to address this issue locally
- 3. Next steps / Goals / Ideas to address going forward



Keynote Speaker

Eric Bedingfield has spent the last two years leading an effort to combat opioid addiction in the state after losing his son Joshua to an overdose on Easter morning 2015. Bedingfield is a former member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, first elected in 2006. He and other legislators, including State Rep. Phyllis Henderson, have filed 10 bills aimed at addressing the increase in opioid-related deaths. He was Vice Chair of the Public Service Planning and Development Committee from 2002 to 2004.

Free attendance. Registration required.

For more information contact Bob Norwood at bnorwood@allonboard.org or (803) 493-6950