

SENIOR NEWS

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Somerset Berkley Regional High School*

It is February and deadlines are fast approaching if they have not already gone by. Students should have completed their FAFSA and submitted it to the schools they will likely attend. It is advisable students make contact with the financial aid office for those schools as well to learn of any financial aid opportunities they may have available. Additional financial aid information is available in the guidance section of the Somerset Berkley Regional High School website (<http://somerseberkeley.org>).

BCC ON-SITE ADMISSION – Students interested in submitting an application to Bristol Community College can do so on February 16, 2017. On that date, admission representatives will be here at Somerset Berkley Regional High School to accept your application and transcript and will provide you with a letter of acceptance. The application fee is waived. Students interested in participating in this service must register in guidance and provide a completed application with all necessary signatures prior to February 13th. Students should see their counselor with any questions. **Notice – Students interested in any health sciences or culinary programs cannot apply via onsite admission. Those students should apply immediately.**

ALYSSA E. CORREIRA MEMORIAL FUND - Received by **APRIL 10, 2017**. The annual Alyssa E. Correia Memorial Fund Scholarship will award five \$2,500 scholarships to high school seniors who will be attending college in the fall of 2017. Interested students should submit a completed application, including a copy of their high school transcript, two letters of recommendation from teacher(s) or employer(s), a brief essay on their volunteer work and future career goals, and a statement of financial need. Scholarships will be awarded based on financial need and academic achievement. Go to www.alyssacorreiramemorialfund.org for more information.

AUXILIARY OF CHARLTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – **Application deadline is April 1, 2017**. Five (5) one thousand dollar (\$1,000) scholarships will be awarded to high ranking seniors furthering their career in healthcare. Applications are available in the guidance office. The entire application package must be returned to the sponsor no later than April 1.

BERKLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND - **DUE TO ORGANIZATION APRIL 28, 2017 (received by date)**. Scholarships open to Berkley residents who are furthering their education beyond high school either on a full-time or part-time basis. Applications are available in guidance.

CRANBERRY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION – **Received by deadline is March 6, 2017**. Applicant must be from Berkley and attending an accredited college or school of higher learning. The award is not limited to any specific field but preference will be given to a student studying in the field of cranberry agriculture, the environment or natural resources. Applications are available in guidance.

DUNKIN DONUTS SCHOLARSHIP FUND – **DUE MARCH 15, 2017**. Applicants must be planning to attend an undergraduate program at an accredited 2 or 4 year college/university or a certificate program at an approved vocational school. One hundred \$1,000 scholarships will be granted for undergraduate study. For applications and further requirements, please visit www.dunkindonuts.com/scholarship.

FALL RIVER MUNICIPAL CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP – **Scholarship deadline is March 15, 2017**. Six scholarships will be awarded to qualifying members of the credit union who will be continuing their education full time in an undergraduate program. The application is available at www.frmcu.com.

FALL RIVER ROTARY CLUB - DUE APRIL 1, 2017. The Rotary Club of Fall River is prepared to award twelve (12) one thousand dollar scholarships to deserving high school seniors. The Rotary mission is Service Above Self. Any applicant for scholarship funds should be committed to the mission of the Rotary Club and to community service. Applications are available in guidance or online at www.frrotary.org.

FIRST CITIZENS' BARBARA WHITEHEAD SILVA SCHOLARSHIP - DUE TO ORGANIZATION APRIL 1, 2017. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded. Applicant or parent must be a member of First Citizens to be eligible to apply. Also available are three \$1,000 scholarships. The **CHAMPION FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND** is available to high school seniors who are immediate family members of Champion checking account holders. Applications are available online at www.firstcitizens.org.

FUNDACOA FAIALENSE, INC. – POSTMARK NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28, 2017. The mission of this scholarship is to provide assistance to students of Portuguese heritage achieve their goals and realize their dreams through a college education. The \$1,500 scholarship can be renewed each year a student is in college provided certain criteria are met. Applications are available at www.fundacaofaialense.org.

GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS SCHOLARSHIPS - DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2017. Three \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to students who best qualify, based on their altruistic services to the community. Information is available in guidance.

GREATER BOSTON PFLAG SCHOLARSHIPS – Completed online by February 17, 2017. The organization will award up to \$15,000 in scholarships to high school students who will enroll in college in the fall of 2017. The award will be based on response to an essay question. On-line applications are available on their website at www.gbpf.org. In addition, please check the National PFLAG website for scholarship opportunities at www.pflag.org.

IMPERIAL COURT OF RHODE ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP – Application deadline March 3, 2017. Available to a graduating senior who is pursuing a higher level of education and identifies as a member of the LGBTQ community or has a parent/guardian who identifies as a member. Application materials are available at www.icriprov.org.

LUSO-AMERICAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS - Postmarked by February 15, 2017. Scholarships are available to graduating seniors who are of Portuguese descent and have a 3.5 GPA or currently taking a Portuguese class and have a 3.0 GPA. More information is available at <http://www.luso-american.org/laef.php>.

Mark Bavis Leadership Foundation – Application deadline is March 15, 2017. This organization provides up to \$5000 grants for student use toward higher education. Applications are available in guidance and online at www.markbavisleadershipfoundation.org.

MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE WOMEN – Applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2017 and are available in guidance. All students attending high school in Bristol County and applying for enrollment to a four year accredited college or university are eligible.

MASSACHUSETTS RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP – DEADLINE March 10, 2017. Up to \$5,000 in scholarships will be awarded. Students must have a minimum 2.65 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale and have performed a minimum of 250 hours of restaurant/food service related work experience. Students must have applied to a culinary arts or restaurant/food service related post-secondary program. Applications may be downloaded at <http://www.themassrest.org>. Additional scholarship opportunities are available online.

NEACRAO – THE GEORGE COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP - **Application deadline is March 15, 2017.** The New England Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers awards three \$2000 scholarships for students who demonstrate academic excellence. Information is available at <http://neacrao.org/about/scholarship-information/>.

NEW OUTLOOK PIONEERS JOE CLERES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – **Postmark deadline is March 15.** This scholarship opportunity was established to assist intellectually or physically challenged students in pursuit of further education. Application materials are available in guidance.

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS OF MASSACHUSETTS SCHOLARSHIP - **Deadline March 15, 2017.** A scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to qualified seniors who plan to further their education at a 2-year or 4-year college. Applications are available in guidance.

ROCKLAND TRUST SCHOLARSHIP - DEADLINE MARCH 13, 2017. Rockland Trust will award seven (7) \$2,500 scholarships to students who attend school or reside in Bristol County. Students should apply using the Rockland Trust Scholarship application which is available at all Rockland Trust branch locations and online from the Rockland Trust website.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LATINO STUDENTS - Information on over 300 scholarships for Latino students attending or applying for admission to community colleges, undergraduate colleges and universities, and graduate schools across the USA. Please visit www.latinocollegedollars.org.

SPIRIT OF ANNE FRANK SCHOLARSHIP - **Application deadline is March 17, 2017.** This scholarship opportunity is available to graduating seniors who have proven themselves leaders in combating intolerance, prejudice and injustice in their communities. Online applications are available at <http://annefrank.com/about-the-awards-2/>.

IN HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

CLASS OF 2015 SCHOLARSHIP - **Due in guidance April 24, 2017.** Open to students who intend to pursue a 2 or 4 year degree. Students should have demonstrated financial need. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded.

THE JOSEPH VIVEIROS JR. INSURANCE AGENCY SCHOLARSHIP - **Application is due in guidance by April 24.** Open to students who intend to pursue a 2 or 4 year degree in the field of marketing, finance or business management. Students should have academic achievement and a demonstrated financial need. Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded. Applications are available in guidance.

THE SOMERSET P.M. WOMENS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP - **Application is due in guidance by April 24.** This scholarship is available to graduating seniors who will be continuing their education at an institution of higher learning. Students should have demonstrated academic excellence and community and/or civic service. One \$1000 award will be made.

VIRGINIA MULLINS MEDICAL FIELD SCHOLARSHIP - **This application is due in guidance by April 24, 2017.** This scholarship is available to graduating seniors who will be continuing their education at an institution of higher learning majoring in the medical profession. Students should have demonstrated academic excellence and future need. One \$2000 award will be made.

Students will be informed, as more scholarships become available in the guidance office. Please listen to the morning announcements in homeroom and read very carefully future issues of Senior News. Adhere to all scholarship deadlines. Please put deadline dates on a calendar/agenda book. Please check past issues of Senior News for listings of scholarships that were previously announced and might still be available.