

<p>Shepherd High School Senior News & Scholarships 2007-2008</p>
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What's New?

- Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation Scholarships
- FAFSA
- Michigan Competitive Scholarship recipients must provide the State of Michigan Office of Scholarships and Grants with student social security number in order to be eligible

MT. PLEASANT AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.MPACF.ORG. MANY OF THESE LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SHEPHERD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY!!! SEE BELOW FOR INSTRUCTIONS.

Scholarship Searches and Preparation

- Search early and search often
- Compile a list of extracurricular activities, honors and community service
- Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers, employers, church leaders, family friends
- Scholarship information is available online or in the guidance office. Complete applications and turn them into the guidance office **at least one week** prior to the deadline. Your counselor will mail the scholarship application for you.
- The guidance office generally receives notification of many scholarships; however, that list is not all-inclusive. Counselors will make a list of scholarships that they are made aware of. It is your responsibility to seek out this list as well as pursue other scholarship opportunities on your own. Some suggestions are listed below.

Just a Note

Do not pay a fee to use an online scholarship search. There are numerous **free** searches on the Internet. Most scholarship searches that require a fee imply that they have access to unlisted scholarships; however, you can find the same information using the free searches or in the guidance office, local library, college library, college financial aid office, etc. Just stay cautious and **watch out for scams**. If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably is. Here are some good places to find free scholarship opportunities:

- www.careercruising.com
- www.fastweb.com
- www.finaid.org/scholarships
- www.collegeanswer.com
- www.makingitcount.com/scholarship
- www.schoolsoup.com

Monthly Scholarship Opportunities

The American Legion Scholarships: Applications for the following scholarships are available at www.michiganlegion.org. Deadlines vary.

- **Oratorical Scholarship (up to \$20,000 + scholarship)**
- **Boy's State Program (up to \$20,000 scholarship)**
- **Baseball Program (\$1,000 scholarship)**
- **Eagle Scout of the Year Program (up to \$10,000 scholarship)**
- **Wilson Scholarship (\$500 scholarship)**
- **Brewer Scholarship (\$500 scholarship)**
- **Youth Career Law Enforcement Program**

Eastern Michigan University Alumni Association Scholarship: Available to children and grandchildren of EMU alumni enrolling at Eastern Michigan University as freshmen, sophomores or transfer students for the fall 2008 semester. This is a \$1000 renewable scholarship. Applications are available in the guidance office or online at www.emich.edu/alumni/awards/scholar.html. **Deadline is March 7, 2008.**

Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year (SAMMY) Award: Awards milk-drinking students who lead their peers in academics, athletics, community service and leadership. Rules and applications are available at www.sammy.bodybymilk.com. **Deadline is March 7, 2008.**

Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation Scholarships: Available to graduating seniors of Shepherd High School. There are some changes in application requirements for this year: the format has changed this year, applications for individual scholarships are available online at www.mpacf.org, each scholarship will require a separate application, and most require references. Please carefully read instructions for each individual scholarship application. Scholarships for 2008 include the following:

- Susan K. & Douglas E. Dodge Scholarship
- Emerson W. Green Memorial Scholarship
- Shirley Lemorie Memorial Scholarship
- Shepherd Public Schools Scholarships
- Nolan D. Stilgenbauer Agricultural Scholarships
- Governor John Engler Scholarship
- Martin Family Scholarships
- Firstbank Scholarships
- Isabella Bank & Trust Scholarships
- Harold and Marie Krapohl Scholarship
- Morey Technical Training Scholarships
- Paul Moeggenberg Family Youth Agricultural Scholarship
- Robert F. Murray & Co. CPA's Scholarship
- Jason Parrott Scholarship
- Rotary Scholarships
- Arnold and Margaret Sowmick Memorial Scholarship
- Supercarguy Scholarship
- Harry E. Tope Memorial Aviation Scholarship
- Jeffrey Vernon Scholarship

Application Deadline for the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation Scholarships is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 14, 2008.

Michigan National Teenager Scholarship Organization: Scholarship pageant organization. Pageant fee required. Information is available online at www.minationalteenager.com. **Deadline is March 15, 2008.**

The Philip A. Hart Memorial Scholarship: Will be awarded to up to three Michigan students whose ideals and goals reflect those of the late Senator Philip A. Hart. The scholarship is a full-time tuition award and is renewable based on meeting the distinguished scholarship renewal criteria. Students with a 3.0 GPA who plan to attend Lake Superior State University are encouraged to apply. Applications are available outside the main office or in the guidance office. **Deadline is April 1, 2008.**

The Michigan State Troopers Assistance Fund: available to seniors who are actively involved in extracurricular activities, community service, and jobs that make them productive members of their communities. Applications are available in the guidance office or outside the main office. **Deadline is April 1, 2008.**

The Michigan Retailers Association (MRA): This scholarship competition is **not** based on financial need. To be eligible, the student or his/her parent must be employed at a business that is a member of MRA. Students may obtain an application in one of the following ways: paper applications are available in the guidance office; applications may be requested by calling MRA at 800.366.3699; applications are also available online at www.retailers.com (access code MIRA). **Applications must be requested by March 14 and submitted by April 1.**

Michigan Oil & Gas Producers Education Foundation Scholarship: Available to seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA who plan to pursue a degree in an energy related field of study with the ambition of seeking to obtain full-time employment in the oil & gas industry, an energy related industry or allied industry and have need of financial assistance. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline is April 1, 2008.**

AAA Michigan's School Safety Patrol Scholarship Program: Available to students who must show documented proof of AAA Michigan School Safety Patrol participation, good academic standing and a strong record of involvement in community or extracurricular activities. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline to submit application to counselor is April 1, 2008.**

The Purdue Club of Mid-Michigan: Offers an academic scholarship program for beginning Purdue University students living in the Mt. Pleasant or Tri-City area of Michigan. Students who intend to begin studies at Purdue this fall may fill out an application for this scholarship. Applications are available in the guidance office and outside the main office. **Deadline is April 1, 2008.**

Terry Feltman Scholarship Foundation: Available for a Shepherd High School graduating senior with a GPA of 3.2 or above, excellence in attendance and citizenship, involvement in school and community activities, strong recommendations, and athletic accomplishments. Applications are available outside the main office. **Deadline is April 15.**

Shepherd Women's Club Scholarship: This \$250 scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who is interested in pursuing a career in Child Care or Early Childhood Education. Applications are available in the guidance office or outside the main office. **Deadline is April 15.**

ABC/SVC Construction Academy Scholarship Program: Available for students and individuals pursuing post-secondary skilled trade education and training. Scholarships cover the cost of tuition and books for first year of a training program. Interested students should email Director of Education James Kubiak at jkubiak@abcsvc.org. **Deadline is April 15, 2008.**

The Albert Flegenheimer Memorial Scholarship and The Phil Brimhall Memorial Scholarship: Available for graduating seniors who have participated in the Michigan Sugar Youth Sugarbeet program at one time who have also completed a Sugarbeet project.

Applicants must be available for a personal interview in May, 2008. Applications are available outside the main office. **Deadline is April 25, 2008.**

The Leah Marie Bollin Memorial Award: This memorial award is an endowment to benefit an LSSU student who has epilepsy or a similar seizure disorder. Applicants must be admitted to Lake Superior State University by April 1. Applicants must have a 2.0 GPA. Application is available outside the main office or in the guidance office. **Deadline is May 1, 2008.**

The Walter J. Witte Governmental Service Scholarships: Awarded to a Midland County student who best demonstrates a desire to pursue a career in governmental service. Applications are available outside the main office. **Deadline is May 1.**

The Shepherd Lions Club Memorial Scholarship: Available to high school seniors. Applications available in the guidance office and outside the main office. **Deadline is Friday, May 9, 2008.**

Students planning to attend Olivet College may be eligible for a High School Guidance Counselor Scholarship or a Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship Program. See Ms. Heintz for more information.