



# Senior Newsletter

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## Information

- **ATTENTION ALL 18 YEAR-OLD MALES** – Federal law requires you to register with the Selective Services within 30 days of your 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. You will not be eligible for college, student loans, grants, job training, Federal and many state government jobs if you fail to register. The fastest way to register is on-line at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov) or you can stop by the courthouse and register. To register at the courthouse, go to the Driver's License Department.
- **Brown Mackie College** – Are you a high school student interested in a nursing career? Do you want to learn about: providing patient care, critical thinking and returning a patient to wellness? Then join the nursing faculty and students at Brown Mackie College during a simulated lab experience. This one day hands on experience will allow you to team up with a nursing student and be a "Nurse for a Day" on Friday, October 24, 2008 from 8am to 3pm. Make reservations by calling Emily Carey at 859-341-5627.
- **Murray State University** – Racer Days are Saturday, September 27, 2008 from noon to 5pm; Saturday, November 8, 2008 from 8am to 1pm and on Saturday, March 28, 2009 from noon to 5pm. Please note Murray State is on Central Standard Time. For additional information visit their website at [enroll.murraystate.edu/racerdays](http://enroll.murraystate.edu/racerdays) or all 800-272-4678, ext 2.
- **Balfour** will be here Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> during 2<sup>nd</sup> period to distribute Graduation Packets. These packets will contain all information needed to order cap and gown, announcements, thank-you notes, t-shirts and other items for the Class of 2009. Any senior wanting to participate in the Graduation Ceremony, they must purchase a cap and gown from Balfour. The cost for the cap and gown package is \$29.00. This package consists of cap, gown, and two (2) tassels.

## High School Senior College Timeline

### October & November

- 1) Attend college fairs to meet school reps and ask questions.
- 2) Return your admission applications.
- 3) Choose the right people to write your recommendation letters. Be considerate and give them plenty of time.
- 4) Begin completing applications and working on essays.
- 5) Arrange campus visits.
- 6) Narrow the selection to your top college choices; then request financial aid information from these schools.
- 7) Run free scholarship search for scholarships and read your senior newsletters.
- 8) Take the ACT or SAT for college.

### December & January

- 1) Contact school financial aid offices regarding deadlines.
- 2) Collect family tax information.
- 3) Submit the FAFSA as soon after January 1<sup>st</sup> as possible.
- 4) Continue to search for scholarships and read the senior newsletters.
- 5) Take the ACT or SAT for college.

### February & March

- 1) Stay on top of financial aid and college deadlines.
- 2) Promptly respond to requests from college admission and financial aid offices.
- 3) Take the ACT or SAT for college.

### April & May

- 1) Finalize your college decision.
- 2) Notify financial aid offices where you've applied about your decision.
- 3) Promptly respond to all requests from the college admissions or financial aid offices.
- 4) This is the last month ACT or SAT scores are reported to the state for KEES money.

### June & August

- 1) Get a summer job and save money for school.
- 2) Apply for a student loan, if necessary.
- 3) Verify that your high school transcripts have been sent.
- 4) Complete final documents you received from your college.
- 5) Attend orientation.
- 6) Make a list and start packing for college.
- 7) Take care of final details (travel arrangements, checking accounts, cell phone calling plans, renter's insurance, etc.)

## **Scholarships by Nomination ONLY**

**14<sup>th</sup> Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** – Win a \$12,000 Scholarship. Students have until October 31<sup>st</sup> to apply online through [www.prudential.com/spirit](http://www.prudential.com/spirit) or [www.principals.org/prudential](http://www.principals.org/prudential) (access key: SPIRIT). After submitting your applications electronically, applicants must print them out, sign them and give them to Sylvia Jones in the main office. The school principals will select the school's top applicant(s) and then certifies that individual's application online. One senior will be nominated based on leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience, and academic record. All information, instructions, and criteria are on their website at [www.principals.org/PLA](http://www.principals.org/PLA).

**AIA/AAF Minority/Disadvantaged Scholarship** – Students entering a professional degree program leading to a Bachelor or Master of Architecture are eligible for this scholarship. The program must be accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board ([www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org)). This is a two-step application process: First step is to be nominated by an individual who can support your interest and aptitude to become an architect. Nominators must also write a letter of recommendation which will become part of your application and considered by the Scholarship Committee. Nominations without a letter will not be considered. Second complete the application which is available from Sylvia Jones in the main office. The deadline for postmark of nominations is December 8, 2008.

## **Scholarships**

**Brown Mackie College Scholarships** – Northern Kentucky branch is offering scholarships for students looking for postsecondary education opportunities in business, healthcare, legal studies, and computer technology. Admission to Brown Mackie College is required. The President's Scholarship Award is \$1,000 payable in three disbursements. Brown Mackie will award one President's Scholarship per high school. Scholarship deadline is May 29, 2009.

**Enterprise Rent-A-Car "Community of One" Scholarship Award** – a \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior who has demonstrated excellence in the areas of community involvement and leadership. The ideal recipient must meet the following qualifications: a high school senior with in the Greater Cincinnati Tri-state area; minimum 3.0 GPA; a proven contributor in your community/volunteerism; demonstrated leadership in other clubs/activities; not an immediate family member of an Enterprise Rent-A-

Car employee; fully complete and sign the 3-page application and return it by the March 1, 2009 deadline. Include all necessary attachments. Applications are available from Sylvia Jones in the main office.

**Horatio Alger Kentucky Scholarship Program** – There are eight \$5,000 scholarships awarded annually in Kentucky that are funded through the generosity of Jack M. Gill and his wife, Linda. This program provides financial assistance to students in the state of Kentucky who have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity and who aspire to pursue higher education. To be eligible applicants must: be enrolled full time as a high school senior in Kentucky, progressing normally toward graduation, and planning to enter college no later than the fall following graduation; have a strong commitment to pursue a bachelor's degree at an accredited institution (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution.); critical financial need (\$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family is preferred; if higher, an explanation must be provided.); involvement in co-curricular and community activities; demonstrate academic achievement (minimum GPA of 2.0); be a resident of Kentucky and be a citizen of the United States. To apply for the scholarship, please go online at [www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/apply.cfm](http://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/apply.cfm). Deadline to apply is October 30, 2008.

**2008-2009 Youth Awareness Program** – The following requirements must be met in order to compete for the scholarships offered through this program: be a high school sophomore, junior or senior (students do not need to be affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose in any way); attend a Youth Awareness Seminar (registration, fill out applications, parental consent forms and information packets); develop a “Kids Talk” on a subject the student feels has an adverse affect on children ages 4-9 years old; present at least 3 “Kids Talks” to groups of children ages 4-9 years; turn in Youth Awareness Packet with completed “Kids Talk” forms no later than March 1, 2009. This years State winner will attend the International Student Congress in Hampton, Virginia (all expenses paid by Moose International and the Kentucky Moose Association) and have a chance to earn a \$12,000, \$8,000, \$5,000, \$3,000, or \$2,000 scholarship. The Youth Awareness Program also counts as Community Service hours. Any interested high school student, counselor or parent needs to contact Neal Yates, Kentucky Moose Association, Youth Awareness Coordinator & Scholarship Chairman, Phone #859-743-4828 or email: [nealyates@fuse.net](mailto:nealyates@fuse.net).

**Coca-Cola Scholarship** – since 1986, the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation has awarded more than 4,000 exceptional high school students \$35 million in scholarships to attend college. Scholars are selected based upon academic achievement, their capacity to lead, and their hours of dedicated community service. 250 awards are presented annually with 50 scholarships for \$20,000 and 200 scholarships for \$10,000. To apply go online at [www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org) and click on Coca-Cola Four Year Award for seniors. All applications must be submitted online by October 31, 2008. To be eligible: must be a current high school senior attending school in the US; be a US citizen; seniors anticipating competition of a high school diploma during the academic year in which application is made; seniors planning to pursue a degree at an accredited US postsecondary institution; seniors carrying a minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school.

**Big Sun Scholarship** – All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport you participate in. Students must be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute. To apply, write a short essay answering the following questions: Have you ever struggled something and succeeded? What made you feel that you were successful? Have you ever struggle for something and failed? How did you react to this? The deadline to apply is June 25, 2009. All essay submissions should be sent to [athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com](mailto:athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com). See additional information on their website at [www.bigsunathletics.com](http://www.bigsunathletics.com).

**FIRE – Foundation for Individual Rights In Education** – FIRE is pleased to announce its first annual “Freedom in Academia” student essay contest. High School seniors from across the U.S. are invited to write an in-depth essay explaining why free speech and First Amendment rights are crucial to higher education and how abuses of these rights harm the college experience. FIRE is looking for students to submit a well-written essay on freedom of speech on college campuses. Essays should cover the betrayal of liberty and violation of constitutional rights at American colleges and universities documented by FIRE at [www.thefire.org/multimedia](http://www.thefire.org/multimedia). First Place winner will be awarded \$5,000 college scholarship and second place

winner will receive \$2,500. To enter, see Sylvia Jones in the main office for the rules, regulations, and instructions then go online to [www.thefire.org/contest](http://www.thefire.org/contest). The following must accompany each entry: entry form, completed and signed; student's essay; proof of high school enrollment and senior class status (copy of student ID card). Final day to submit an entry is November 20, 2008. Winners will be announced on December 19, 2008.

**McKelvey Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship** – Each scholar will be awarded up to \$10,000 per year to attend any four-year college within the United States. Applicants will be required to meet the following scholarship criteria: be a graduating senior of the U.S. high school; attend an accredited four-year college or university within the 50 United States; own and operate a business for at least one year; have at least one paid employee; have sales revenue; submit a completed online application; provide documentation of the above when required; agree to participate in a telephone interview, if selected as a finalist; winners must attend the summer e-Venture program. Applications are due by January 25, 2009.

**U.S. Bank Internet Scholarship Program** – U.S. Bank will again offer up to thirty \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors planning to attend accredited two- or four-year colleges full-time next fall. Scholarship award recipients are selected through a random drawing process. Students need to apply online at [www.usbank.com/studentbanking](http://www.usbank.com/studentbanking). To be eligible students must be: a high school senior planning to enroll full-time in an accredited two- or four-year college or university; enrolled by September, 2009 in a full-time course of study at an accredited school; a U.S. citizen or permanent resident alien. Deadline to apply online is February 28, 2009.

**American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program** – Students looking for an academic challenge and an opportunity to gain scholarship monies, The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program is a natural fit. The main purpose of this program is to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States on the part of high school students. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties and responsibilities, the rights and privileges of American citizenship. Scholarships are awarded to three finalists in the Final Round of the National Contest as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place \$18,000; 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$16,000; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$14,000. Each Department (State) winner who is certified into and participates in the first round of the National Contest will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Each first round winner who advances to and participates in the second round, but does not advance to the Final Round, will receive an additional \$1,500 scholarship to pursue education beyond high school. For additional information, visit their website [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org).

## **School Specific Scholarships**

**University of Cincinnati College of Applied Science Technology Scholars Program** – The requirements for the Technology Scholars Program are: Overall GPA of 3.5, Math and Science GPA of 3.5, Minimum ACT score of 24 or minimum SAT score of 1100; Participation in two extra-curricular activities in school or the community; Recommendation of a teacher or counselor. Scholarships are awarded to students entering a bachelor's degree program at the College of Applied Science. Scholarship is merit-based and adds to all other scholarships, grants, or gifts that a student may have received with the provision that these not total more than the full cost of tuition, lab fees, room & board, and books. CAS Technology Scholarship applications must be received on or before February 1, 2009. Applications are available from Sylvia Jones in the main office or visit their website at [www.uc.edu/cas/scholar](http://www.uc.edu/cas/scholar).

**Davidson College "The John Montgomery Belk Scholarship"** – Scott high school may nominate one student for the John Montgomery Belk Scholarship or a student may be eligible by completing an application for admission by January 2, 2009. Requirements are: Nominations must be submitted by November 15, 2008; *Nominees must submit a completed admission application* to Davidson College no later than December 1, 2008; Approximately thirty students will be chosen as finalists and invited to campus March 26-28, 2009 for selection interviews and a celebration of their success; Up to ten Davidson Class of 2013 Belk Scholars will be announced by April 5. If you are interested in attending Davidson College and want to be nominated for this scholarship, please see Sylvia Jones or Mrs. Ison *BEFORE November 15<sup>th</sup>*.

## College Entrance Test Information

### 2008-2009 ACT National Test Dates:

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
December 13, 2008	November 7, 2008	November 20, 2008
February 7, 2009	January 6, 2009	January 16, 2009
April 14, 2009 ➤	February 27, 2009	March 13, 2009
June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009	May 22, 2009

Registration packets are available in the Guidance office or register online [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). For information on fee waivers, stop by the Guidance office or call Sylvia Jones at 859-960-1520. If you are eligible for a fee waiver, you may use up to two (2) waivers total. The waiver is used once you register, even if you do not test on that requested test date. Fee waivers cover *ONLY* the BASIC registration fee for your test option, including up to four college choices. Waivers do not cover the late registration fee, test date or test center changes, or any other fees or services. Scott High School school code is #180-576. Registration fee for the ACT (No Writing) is \$31.00; ACT Plus Writing is \$46.00; Late registration fee is an additional \$20.00.

### 2008-2009 SAT & Subject Test National Test Dates:

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Deadline</u>
November 1, 2008	September 26, 2008	October 10, 2008
December 6, 2008	November 5, 2008	November 18, 2008
January 24, 2009	December 26, 2008	January 6, 2009
March 14, 2009 **	February 20, 2009	February 24, 2009
May 2, 2009 ➤	March 31, 2009	April 9, 2009
June 6, 2009	May 5, 2009	May 15, 2009

\*\* Only the SAT Reasoning Test is offered.

Registration packets are available in the Guidance office or register online [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). For information on fee waivers, stop by the Guidance office or call Sylvia Jones at 859-960-1520. SAT fee waivers are available for high school juniors and seniors. Eligible students can receive up to four (4) fee waivers, two for the SAT and two for the Subject Test and the waivers cover the test fee *ONLY*. Scott High School school code is #180-576. Cost for the SAT Reasoning Test is \$45.00; SAT Subject Tests Basic registration fee \$20.00, Language Tests with Listening (add to basic registration fee) add \$20.00; All other Subject Tests (add per test to basic registration fee) add \$9.00. Late fee is additional \$23.00.

➤**SENIORS NOTE:** April 14<sup>th</sup> ACT and the May 2<sup>nd</sup> SAT are the last test scores reported to the State for KEES to be eligible for bonuses from Kenton County Board of Education. The June tests for ACT and SAT will not be reported to KEES.

## Test Preparation Sites

In-Home Tutoring – Club Z Tutoring Services provide review, enrichment and preparation for your educational needs. Information is available in the guidance office or online [www.clubztutoring.com](http://www.clubztutoring.com).

Smarter Learning Systems – The Learning Center is located at 276 General Mitchell Lane, #78, Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017. Call 341-7326 for information, scheduling, and registration. Offer Private sessions and workshops. BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.



# Puzzle

## Happy Halloween

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 SPIRIT  
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