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Financial Aid Newsletter

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FAFSA Help Sessions!

So, guess what! I know you all have been waiting on bated breath for this momentous news. The Financial Aid Office will be hosting FAFSA FILING SESSIONS!! YAYAYAYAY! We know every one of you will make it a priority to get your FAFSA done by the Priority Deadline of February 15th, so we wanted to make sure we put forth the effort to facilitate that process and offer our FAFSA completing skills. The FAFSA can be challenging so we

hope that students will utilize these sessions in order to submit an accurate FAFSA by the Priority Deadline. During these sessions, we will sit down with you in the Writing Center lab and help you complete your FAFSA online one step at a time. We hope to reduce the fear of completing the FAFSA and offer guidance to help you avoid errors and problems. We can help students better estimate earnings too, reducing the difficulty of filing the FAFSA. Remember to bring the fol-

lowing documents:

- Student and Parent(s)' W2's
- Unemployment statements, if applicable
- Most recent paystub(s)
- Investment total for parent and investment total for student
- Parent and student 2010 US Tax Returns if they are complete

The FAFSA filing sessions will be held on **January 26th, 27th and 28th** in the Writing Center lab on the 3rd floor of MCC from 12-1pm. Hope to see you there!



Scholarship Tip #13: Do Your Own Dirty Work

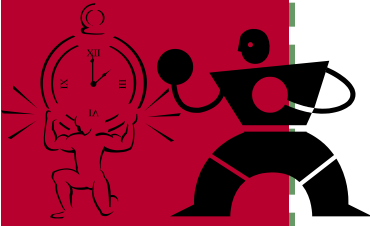
This kinda seems like a no brainer to me but unfortunately we do see this pretty often. Do not rely on your parents to do all your financial aid and scholarship dirty work. I understand that your parents want to support you in all of your endeavors but you need to be the one to fill out your scholarship application and request documentation. Parents are

often the ones to inquire about scholarships and additional funding opportunities here in the Financial Aid Office which is great but the students should really be the ones going that extra mile and completing those applications. This is not saying that your parents shouldn't play a large role in funding your education but they just shouldn't do all the work for

you. I had a scholarship submitted a few months ago by a parent for a student. It was obvious that the student did nothing but sign the bottom of the application and I would be fairly certain that it was also obvious to the scholarship organization. This does not look too good. Do yourself a favor and do your own leg work.

Beat the Deadline!

February 15th,
2011



LGBTQ Scholarships



Yet Again... the Priority Deadline

Seriously, I can't beat this dead horse enough. Complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov with Cornish School Code 012315 to **MEET THE PRIORITY DEADLINE!!!** February 15th 2011 is the date to remember. Meet it in order to receive the best financial aid package possible. Along with meeting the deadline, you will want to submit all other requested

documents as soon as possible since some funding is limited and awarded on a first-come first-serve basis. If you wait too long, you may miss out. If you received only **institutional aid** last year, you need to **MEET THE PRIORITY DEADLINE** in filing the FAFSA this year to continue your eligibility. Remember, if you or your parent's taxes are not com-

plete, it is acceptable to use estimates on the FAFSA. Always feel free to call, come in or email with any questions regarding the FAFSA. You can also call 1-800-4-FEDAID for FAFSA help. **Best option:** come to one of our FAFSA filing sessions in the Writing Center lab in January and we will walk you through the whole process!

JC/ Lady Graytop Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is given to Washington residents who have a clear and purposeful educational goal and who support the goals of the scholarship organization. The Imperial Sovereign Court of Seattle strives to enhance self esteem, promote diversity, support personal development and acknowledge human rights. To such end, they give pref-

erence to students who self-identify with the LGBTQ community, are members of a LGBTQ family or are straight allies who have been strongly supportive of the LGBTQ community. The scholarship amount will be determined by the organization. Just as an FYI, the website and the application have wonky dates that are not consistent. I have

emailed the scholarship organization and the scholarship is active. They said they would be posting an updated application shortly and it will be due in mid January. However, so far there is no new application on the website. I would recommend emailing the organization to double check the due date.

Mensa Foundation Scholarship

I know what you're thinking. Mensa? Isn't that only for incredibly crazy smart people? Well, yes. But they offer scholarships to students who are not Mensa members! Who knew? All you have to do is reside within a chapter's Local Mensa Group area

which you do because you live in Seattle! The application requires a 550 word essay on your career goals and what you have done and plan to do in order to achieve them. Pretty simple right! The award is \$1000 but you may also qualify for addi-

tional national or regional scholarships based on specific qualifications. On the application, you simply need to check the boxes of specific scholarships for which you think you qualify. I vote you apply for this scholarship!

Winter Break = Scholarship Application Time!

So here is the deal: a majority of scholarships come due in the spring between January and May. What better time to start your outside scholarship search than during winter break?! God knows that Cornish students are unimaginably crazy busy. One of the few times you can fit extra

stuff in, is over your breaks. Yes, I know it sucks. All you want to do is relax and not even think about school. But scholarships come due in spring, so winter is the best time to start thinking ahead and preparing your scholarship applications. The Main Campus Center (MCC) is

open during winter Break starting January 3rd so if you need someone to proof read your essays, we are here for you! If you spent just ten hours working on a scholarship application for a scholarship award of \$1000 you would have made \$100 per hour!! See, so worth it!



Complete applications for outside scholarships during winter break! For a complete list of outside scholarships we have found, visit the Financial Aid Office!

Pride Foundation and Greater Seattle Business Association Scholarships

The Pride Foundation in conjunction with The Greater Seattle Business Association gives away over 50 different types of scholarships by submitting just one application. The Pride Foundation Scholarship program is one of the largest of its kind in the country. This is an absolutely superb program and if you are LGBTQ or an allied supporter, I definitely recom-

mend you apply for these scholarships. Actually, if there were one scholarship program only for which you decided to apply, I would recommend it be this one. One single application makes application for you to many scholarships and you can potentially receive more than one of those scholarships. The Greater Seattle Business Association Scholarship specifically

requires applicants to be a Washington Resident and represent the LGBTQ community. But the Pride Foundation Scholarships are available to a diverse group of recipients; as long as you support the LGBTQ community you will definitely qualify for at least one! There are scholarships particularly for theatre arts, design, fine art, music and many more!



Northwest Perspectives Essay Competition

Here is another essay contest! The Northwest Perspectives Essay is an essay competition hosted by the Oregon Quarterly Magazine that awards \$500 to the first place winner of the student category. The essay needs to be on any idea that affects the Northwest, so it is pretty broad. You can check out other win-

ners from previous years to get a feel for the vast breadth of topics. The essay cannot exceed 1,500 words. Most of the essays on the site are fun stories about living or growing up in the Northwest that only Pacific Northwest residents could truly appreciate. The essays are creative and fun to read, a recount of

your unique Northwest perspective. Think PEMCO commercials and have fun writing!



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questions or comments!

Scholarships Coming Due before: March 15th, 2011

IDTANA Scholarships (12/22/10) <http://www.idtana.org/>

Healthy Respect (12/30/10) <http://healthrespect.org/win-win/>

Apprentice Ecologist Initiative™ Youth Scholarship Program (12/31/10) http://www.wildernessproject.org/volunteer_apprentice_ecologist.php#scholarship
Cappex Promoter scholarship (12/31/10) <http://www.cappex.com/scholarships/>

Equity Foundation: GREGORI JAKOVINA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS (12/31/10) <http://www.equityfoundation.org/scholarships>

Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship (12/31/10) <http://www.gkscholarship.com/index.html>

Loreen Arbus Focus on Disability Scholarships (12/31/10) <http://www.emmysfoundation.org/eligibility-requirements-0>

Emergescholarship Winners (01/05/11) <http://www.emergescholarships.org/scholarships/apply.php>

31st College Television Awards (01/12/11) <http://www.emmysfoundation.org/eligibility-requirements-0>

Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (01/14/11) http://www.apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html

Canticle Ministries Scholarship (01/15/11) http://canticleministries.org/pdf/cm_scholarship_app.pdf

Go! Study Abroad Scholarship (01/15/11) <http://www.go-study-abroad.com/go-study-abroad-scholarship>

Imperial Sovereign Court Of Seattle: JC/Graytop Scholarship (01/15/11) <http://www.imperialcourtofseattle.com/Scholarship.htm>

Mensa Foundation Scholarship Application (01/15/11) <http://www.mensafoundation.org/AM/Template.cfm>

Northwest Perspectives Essay (01/15/11) <http://www.oregonquarterly.com/essay.php>

The Phillips Foundation/ Ronald Reagan Scholarship (01/15/11) <http://www.thephillipsfoundation.org/index.php?q=node/18>

Lilly reintegration scholarship (01/24/11) <http://www.reintegration.com/>

Polish Heritage Society of Philadelphia (01/30/11) <http://www.polishcultureapc.org/schol/PhilaSchol.html>

American Atheist Essay Contest (01/31/11) http://www.atheists.org/youth_family/scholarship

Campus Discovery (01/31/11) <http://www.campusdiscovery.com/CampusDiscovery.html?sourceid=ESL-120309>

Hellenic Times Scholarship Fund (01/31/11) <http://www.htsfund.org/guidelines.html>

Pride Foundation Scholarships (01/31/11) <https://www.pridefoundationscholar.org/login.aspx?returnurl=>

The Greater Seattle Business Association Scholarship (01/31/11) <http://thegebascholarship.org/apply.php>
Union Plus Scholarship (01/31/11) <http://www.unionplus.org/college-education-financing/union-plus-scholarship>

ARRL Foundation Scholarship (02/01/11) <http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-descriptions>

DAR: Frances Crawford Marvin American Indian Scholarship (02/01/11) <http://www.dar.org/natsociety/>

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ESA foundation scholarship program (02/01/11) <http://www.esaintl.com/esaf/2009WebCoverPageApplicationGraduateGuidelines.pdf>

HECB American Indian Endowed Scholarship (02/01/11) <http://www.hecb.wa.gov/paying/waaidprgm/aies.asp>

National Press Photographers Assoc. /Alexia Foundation grant and Scholarship (02/01/11) http://www.nppa.org/professional_development/students/scholarships/alexia.html

The John F. & Ann Lee Stacy Scholarship Fund for Art Education (02/01/11) <http://www.cowboyhalloffame.org/education/staceyfund/default.aspx>

Avon Scholarship Program (02/01/11) <http://www.avonfoundation.org/avon-employees-and-representatives/scholarships.html>

The Opera Foundation/ The American-Berlin Scholarship (02/10/11) <http://www.operafoundation.org/>

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The Opera Foundation/ The America-Turin Scholarship (02/10/11) <http://www.operafoundation.org/applic.htm>
Point Foundation (02/11/11) <http://www.thepointfoundation.org/apply.html>

DAR: Lillian and Arthur Dunn Scholarship (02/15/11) http://www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm

Susan G. Komen Scholarship (02/15/11) <http://www5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/CollegeScholarshipAward.html>

USA Funds Access to Education Scholarships (02/15/11) <http://www.usafunds.org/students/Pages/Access2EdSchol.aspx>

Two Ten Footwear Foundation Higher Education Scholarship (02/16/11) <http://www.twotenn.org/what-we-do/scholarships/higher-education-scholarships.aspx>

Hawaii Comm. Foundation: Ahahui O Liliuokalani Civic Club Scholarship (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Hawaii Comm. Foundation: Blossom Kalama Evans Memorial Scholarship (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Hawaii Community Found: Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Hawaii Community Foundation: Ida M Pope Memorial Scholarship (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Hawaii Community Foundation: Ka'iulani Trust for Girls Scholarship (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Hawaii Community Foundation: OHA Educational Foundation (02/18/11) <http://www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/index.php?id=50>

Military Children Scholarships (02/22/11) <http://www.militaryvscholar.org/apply/apply.shtml>

Sodexo Stop Hunger Scholarships (02/25/11) http://www.sodexofoundation.org/hunger_us/scholarships/official/official.asp

Academy of Television Arts & Sciences: Fred Rogers Memorial Scholarship (02/28/11) <http://www.emmys.org/foundation/rogersscholar.php>

Cape Playhouse/Ray Moore Found: Pond and Senn Scholarship (02/28/11) <http://www.capeplayhouse.com/ScholarshipInformation.htm>

Sons of Italy Scholarship (02/28/11) <http://www.osia.org/students/general-study-scholarships.php>

The Fred Rogers Memorial Scholarship (02/28/11) <http://www.emmysfoundation.org/how-apply-1>

ASCAP: Morton Gould Young Composers Awards (03/01/11) <http://www.ascap.com/concert/gouldapp.pdf>

Eric Dostie Memorial College Scholarship (03/01/11) http://www.nufactor.com/pages/eric_dostie.html

Jeannette Rankin Foundation (03/01/11) <http://www.rankinfoundation.org/apply/default.php>

Lesbian Writers Fund (03/01/11) http://www.astraeafoundation.org/uploads/files/grants/Astraea_LWF_2009_guidelines.pdf

National Art Materials Trade Association (03/01/11) <http://www.namta.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3450>

National Federation for the Blind Scholarship (03/01/11) http://www.nfb.org/nfb/scholarship_program.asp

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: Vice Adm. Travers Scholarship/Loan Program (03/01/11) <http://www.nmcers.org/child-dec.html>

NW Watercolor Foundation: Gold Grant Award (03/01/11) <http://nwws.org/dnn/Foundation/tabid/60/Default.aspx>

Oregon Jewish Comm. Found: Tarshis Memorial Scholarship (03/01/11) <http://www.orjcf.org/tarshis.asp>

Oregon Student Assistance Commission Scholarships (03/01/11) <http://getcollegefunds.org/eapp.html>

RFB&D: Mary Oenslager Scholastic Achievement Award (03/01/11) http://www.rfbd.org/applications_awards.htm#saa

The Jeannette Rankin Foundation: Scholarships for Women (03/01/11) <http://www.rankinfoundation.org/students>

The Nolan Moore Scholarship (03/01/11) <http://www.piamdam.org/nolan-moore-foundation.html>

WAEF Scholarships (03/01/11) <http://www.waef.org/scholarships.html>

Frame my Future Scholarship contest (03/02/11) http://www.diplomaframe.com/pages/705_frame_my_future_scholarship_enter_now.cfm

Scholarships for Vermonters (03/04/11) <http://services.vvac.org/wps/wcm/connect/vvac/VSAC/Pav+for+College/Funding+Sources/Scholarships/>

The National Italian American Foundation (03/04/11) <https://www.niaf.org/scholarships/about.asp>

Scholarships in red have appeared in previous Newsletters