



Community Scholarship Program Scholarship Descriptions

Scholarships listed below are awarded based on the funds available and may not be awarded every year. Scholarships are awarded by identifying successful candidates who meet the criteria.

Alice G. Horter Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to four Rochester High School seniors who have exhibited school spirit, perseverance, character and academic achievement, with a preference for those attending a four-year college and demonstrating financial need.
- Award** \$3,000 scholarship (4 scholarships)
- Background** This scholarship was established by a generous bequest to Rochester High School by Mrs. Alice G. Horter, a longtime Rochester resident.

Amy Aplin Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek High School senior who plans on attending college or a vocational/technical school. Applicant shall be well rounded and active in their community.
- Award** \$2,000 scholarship
- Background** The Amy Aplin Memorial Scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Aplin in memory of their daughter Amy Aplin, who was an English teacher at Rochester High School and Reuther Middle School.

Andrews Hooper & Pavlik Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek or a local college student, majoring in accounting and planning a career as a CPA.
- Award** To be determined
- Background** This scholarship was established by associates at Andrews Hooper & Pavlik (formerly Laine, Appold and Company) to assist accounting students pursuing a career as a Certified Public Accountant.

Blessings in a Backpack Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School and who has demonstrated an understanding of childhood hunger insecurity and volunteers in activities to help alleviate it.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The Blessings in a Backpack program helps meet the nutritional needs of at risk school age children. Each week volunteers distribute backpacks filled with enough non-perishable food for the weekend (six meals) to students who participate in the government subsidized free or reduced fee hot lunch program.

Blessings in a Backpack Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available annually to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who has opted into, has benefited or has provided community service through the Blessings in a Backpack Program.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship

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Brad Glass Memorial International Scholarship

Criteria	Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing international study. Student must have demonstrated high interest in world cultures and international affairs and attained a minimum 2.0 GPA. Scholarship may also be awarded for international travel through an approved international study program.
Award	\$1,000 scholarship
Background	Brad M. Glass (1974-1992) graduated from Adams High in 1992 and was an avid traveler and member of the Adams Global Village Project. He was a spirited young man with a keen sense of humor. He excelled in expository writing, enjoyed theater and the arts.

Casey Collins Memorial Scholarship

Criteria	Available to a graduating senior from Rochester High School pursuing college education. Must display commendable traits and be an inspiration to others; may have overcome some personal, physical or emotional obstacles in pursuit of education; must be active in school and community; have a minimum 2.5 GPA.
Award	\$500 scholarship
Background	Katherine “Casey” Collins (1976-1993) was a promising athlete who held many records and honors during her 3 years at Rochester High. She believed attitude determined achievements and was an inspiration and leader to her peers.

Chief Financial Credit Union “Live Beyond the Label” Scholarship

Criteria	<p>Available to Adams, Rochester, Stoney Creek and ACE high school special education graduating seniors with an active IEP or 504 Plan pursuing post-secondary education (i.e. trade school, community college or 4-year university), with preference given to students with an emotional impairment and/or ADHD. Verification from a treating doctor, school counselor or school social worker required. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 and demonstrate involvement within the school and greater Rochester community. Financial need will be considered.</p> <p>The ideal Chief Scholarship recipient is a student who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articulates his or her challenges and recognize the need for self-advocacy • Is committed to post-high school academic study/career training and has begun to set realistic career goals • Has demonstrated perseverance despite any challenges or set-backs and is committed to achieving personal goals • Plans to contribute to society in ways that increase opportunities for individuals with emotional and attention issues • Excels as a role models and spokesperson for others who struggle with emotional and attention issues
Award	\$2,000 scholarship (3 scholarships)
Background	The “Live Beyond the Label” Scholarship was established in 2017 by Chief Financial Credit Union to award an academic scholarship to graduating seniors who have succeeded in rising above their challenges to achieve success in and out of the classroom.

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Daughters of the American Revolution Stoney Creek Chapter Rosamond P. Haeberle Memorial Scholarship

Criteria	Available to students from Oakland, Macomb and Wayne County High Schools pursuing higher education in college or technical/vocational training. The DAR Haeberle Scholarship will benefit students who demonstrate active involvement in community service and a minimum 3.0 GPA during their high school careers.
Award	To be determined
Background	Established in memory of Rosamond P. Haeberle. Miss Haeberle was a past Regent of the Stoney Creek DAR Chapter. She was also a member of local and state music associations and a Certified Parliamentarian.

Eric J. Shook Memorial Art Scholarship

Criteria	Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who demonstrates artistic talent and will be majoring in art, photography, film or video in college. Recipient must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and a resume of achievements in at least one of the foregoing areas.
Award	\$1,000 scholarship
Background	Eric J. Shook (1974-1992) graduated from Rochester High in 1992 and was a brilliant photographer and artist. He won numerous state awards and his work was well known by his peers.

Erin Grobbel Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

Criteria	Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who has demonstrated a strong commitment to the performing arts during their education. This can be participation in the annual musical and/or plays, MFFA, stage design or crew, vocal arts or Summer Music Theater program.
Award	\$1,000 scholarship
Background	Established in 2014 by the Grobbel family in memory of their daughter, Erin.

Gage Garmo Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

Criteria	Available to a graduating Rochester High School senior football player furthering his education. Recipient must display a tremendous positive attitude that is contagious to others and must possess the ability to take on adverse circumstances.
Award	\$500 scholarship
Background	Gage Garmo (1997-2015) graduated from Rochester High School in 2015 and was a member of the Falcon football team. During the 2014 season, Gage earned the team's "Unsung Hero" award. He inspired his teammates with his unwavering positive attitude and his relentless ability to tackle adversity. Gage's passion for his school and peers along with his toughness left the legacy of #GARMOSTRONG to all those he touched.

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Gordon R. Case Memorial Golf Scholarship

Available to 2 graduating seniors, one male and one female, from either Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School. The scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female that meet all the following conditions: (a) a member of the golf team, (b) have excelled in the area of gold, (c) demonstrated leadership and community involvement, and (d) have maintained a 2.75 grade point average.

Criteria

Award

\$5,000 scholarship to one male **and** one female (2 scholarships)

Background

Gordon Case was an avid golfer and a long time Rochester Hills resident.

Grace and Gus Eastman Memorial Scholarship

Available to graduating high school seniors living in the Rochester Community School District, admitted to and attending Michigan State University for pre-veterinary studies. Financial need is a consideration.

Criteria

Award

\$1,000 scholarship

Background

Gus and Grace Eastman lived, worked, and raised their four children in Rochester. Gus was the first veterinarian in the area, servicing large farm animals and then caring for small animals. He spent the last 20+ years of his career as the first full-time veterinarian for Leader Dogs for the Blind. Both Gus and Grace had a great love of animals and of the Rochester community.

Grace and Rick Drummer Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School or the International Academy pursuing a college education. The scholarship will be awarded annually be either: 1) an Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America and a member of the Rochester/Rochester Hills troop or a Troop 360; or 2) a member of a Rochester Community Schools robotics team.

Criteria

Award

\$500 scholarship

Background

This scholarship was established by Elizabeth Witten in honor of the Drummers to benefit the students of our community.

Hayes Family Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School with an active IEP or 504 pursuing post-secondary education (i.e.: trade school, community college or a 4-year university). A minimum GPA of 2.5, school and community involvement, and need will be considered.

Criteria

Award

\$500 scholarship (2 scholarships)

Background

This scholarship was established by a donation from the Hayes Family to provide an academic scholarship to a graduating senior.

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Joanna VanRaaphorst Human Rights Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from the Rochester Community School District who is pursuing higher education and who has demonstrated support for human rights or LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning) in high school.
- Award** \$500 scholarship
- Background** Joanna VanRaaphorst is a local business owner and long-time supporter of Human Rights.

John M. Schultz Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who have been active in athletics.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** This scholarship was established in honor of Dr. John M. Schultz, who retired in June, 2005 after serving for 22 years as Superintendent of Rochester Community Schools.

Joseph Urda Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams High School pursuing higher education who has a minimum 3.0 GPA, history of community service and demonstrate financial need with special consideration for a student who ran track and cross country in high school.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Awarded in memory of Joseph Michael Urda, a 2007 graduate of Rochester Adams High School who was captain of his high school cross-country team. He loved to learn, read, cook and outdoor activities.

Judith Freund Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams High School pursuing special education degree or an Adams special education student attending a two or four year college.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The Judith Freund Scholarship was established in 2010 to honor her 23 years of service to the students, parents, and staff of the Rochester Community Schools and to celebrate her years of dedication to education and teaching students with special needs.

Judith K. Long Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School attending a trade or vocational school who are underprivileged or who have been overlooked.
- Award** \$500 scholarship
- Background** The Judith K. Long Scholarship honors Judie Long who taught young adults who didn't fit the traditional academic mold for 26 years at Adams High School.

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Karen Hyre Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a female graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing higher education in college or technical/vocational training that will be used in a "practical way". Special consideration will be given to students majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Math.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Karen Hyre wants to encourage young women toward an independent life.

Kiwanis Club of Rochester Hills Freedom Scholarship

- Criteria** This scholarship is awarded to a student who demonstrates that they have overcome difficult obstacles in their life to graduate from high school and who have demonstrated the desire, ability and willingness to continue their education in pursuit of skills that will lead to full time employment.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** This scholarship was established in memory of World War II veterans who left the community to fight a war against oppression and then came back to the community and supported its community members in gaining economic freedom and individual liberty within a democratic society

Kiwanis Club of Rochester Scholarships

- Criteria** Students must have recommendation of Key Club Faculty Advisor to be eligible.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship (3 scholarships)
- Background** Kiwanis Club sponsors Key Club at ACE, Adams, Rochester and Stoney Creek High Schools. The Kiwanis Club offers scholarships to members of these 4 Key Clubs.

Larry and Lucy Weting Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School seeking training for gainful employment. Financial need will be considered for this award.
- Award** \$500 scholarship
- Background** Larry and Lucy Weting are longtime Rochester community supporters and residents who care about preparing the workforce of tomorrow.

Laura Jermyn Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams High School graduating senior who embodies Laura's character – kind, generous, accepting, nonjudgmental, brave enough to be herself, and supportively encouraging others to do the same. Consideration will be given to those pursuing education and demonstrating a need for financial generosity.
- Award** \$2,500 scholarship
- Background** In 2015, the friends and family of Laura Jermyn established a scholarship fund in her honor. Laura was a teacher and a mother perpetually supporting and encouraging her children to find and pursue their passions in school. She was compassionate, generous and fun-loving with a laugh that could brighten a room. She never judged, she never complained. She was genuine, she wasn't afraid to be herself.

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Leslie Gouldey Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who has overcome adversity to demonstrate leadership, community service and academic achievement.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** This scholarship was established by the Gouldey family in memory of their wife and mother, Leslie Gouldey.

Marian Bordine Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek or local college student pursuing a college program with major emphasis in horticulture, floriculture, landscape architecture or design, conservation, forestry, plant science, wildlife biology, agriculture technician, floral design, etc.
- Award** To be determined
- Background** This scholarship was named in memory of Marian Bordine (1915-2006). Born in Detroit, Mrs. Bordine worked with her husband Darrell to build the family business, Bordine Nursery. Over the years she was involved in every aspect of the family business, from tending crops, bookkeeping, buying and creating the Spring Catalog. Mrs. Bordine was a life member of the Rochester Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association.

Marie Culpert Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing a degree in education, particularly those with an Early Childhood focus. Preference will be given to female applicants.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Marie Culpert's career as a teacher focused on Early Childhood and the scholarship is awarded annually in her memory.

The Men's Fund Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a male graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who demonstrates an active involvement in community service and a commitment to improving his life through additional education in college or technical/vocational training.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The Men's Fund is supported by a group of residents and local businessmen who meet annually to raise money for local nonprofits and fund a scholarship.

Monte and Morrel Clute Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Awarded to a graduating senior from Rochester, Avondale or Romeo High School pursuing a teaching degree.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Monte Clute (1940-1995) was a former Avondale, Rochester and Waterford educator and administrator. He was an avid runner, traveler and accomplished photographer. His father, Morrel Clute, was a Professor of Education at Wayne State University. Both men enjoyed travel throughout their lives and believed in its value for young adults.

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Paul and Joanna VanRaaphorst – Oakland University Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to students from Rochester area high schools who are pursuing a college education at Oakland University. Preference will be given to students planning to live on campus.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The VanRaaphorst Scholarship will benefit students who demonstrate active involvement in community service and a commitment to improving their lives through higher education.

Pauline Schaefer and Sue Vernia Scholarship Fund

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who demonstrates a commitment to helping other people throughout their middle/high school career. The student must demonstrate financial need, average to above average academics and most of all must embody the idea that "thinking of others, better's one's self."
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** This scholarship was established to honor the special friendship between Pauline Schaefer and Sue Vernia and to recognize their commitment to helping throughout their lives.

Pixley Family Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who has been accepted at Michigan State University and demonstrates financial need.
- Award** \$500 scholarship
- Background** This scholarship was named in memory of Edith M. Pixley (1902-1990), a Rochester resident from 1928 until 1990. Mrs. Pixley a member of the Rochester Business Women's Club, the Women's National Farm and Garden Association, and the Order of the Eastern Star. She loved the Rochester Community and witnessed the great growth of this area during her lifetime.

Ray and Ginny de Steiger Scholarship Fund

- Criteria** Available to graduating high school seniors living in the Rochester Community School District, admitted to and attending Michigan State University to study business. Financial need is a consideration.
- Award** \$5,000 scholarship
- Background** Available to graduating high school seniors living in the Rochester Community School District, admitted to and attending Michigan State University to study business. Financial need is a consideration.

Ray H. Lawson Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing college education. Student must demonstrate good citizenship as evidenced by recommendations of teachers and/or counselors, strong work ethic, commitment to chosen field of study and financial need.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Ray Lawson taught English at Rochester High School for 63 years and upon his retirement established this scholarship as his continuing commitment to education.

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Robert "Bob" Hernandez Memorial Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from any Rochester Community High School who plans to pursue continuing education in the skilled trades.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (awarded if funds are available)
- Background** This scholarship was established in honor of Robert "Bob" Hernandez.

Rochelle Cole Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing college education. Must demonstrate outstanding community and church service as well as scholastic achievements.
- Award** \$500 scholarship
- Background** Rochelle M. Cole (1967-1987) graduated from Rochester High in 1986 and was very active in school, church activities, and community volunteer work. She believed in the benefit of hard work and education.

Rochester Community Schools Foundation Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School. Student must meet the criteria for a Scholar of Achievement, Scholar of Distinction or Scholar of Great Distinction and must have demonstrated an understanding of and commitment to the spirit of giving and philanthropy.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Established by a donation from Michigan School Business Officials.

Rochester Garden Club Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who is pursuing a degree in environmental studies or environmental education, agriculture, or horticulture, or studies related to the field of sustainability.
- Award** \$1500 scholarship (2 scholarships)
- Background** This scholarship was established by the Rochester Garden Club to support their commitment to education and the environment.

Rochester High School Athletic Boosters Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to four graduating Rochester High School seniors. Must be a letter winner of an MHSAA recognized sport and have a 2.5 cumulative GPA and must be applied to continuing education. The Application essay should include what participation in RHS athletics meant to the student.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (4 scholarships)
- Background** This scholarship was established by the Rochester High School Athletic Boosters.

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Rochester High School Swim and Dive Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to two graduating Rochester High School seniors. Must have earned a varsity letter on the swim and dive team with a preference to a full time student demonstrating team spirit and a financial need.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship (2 scholarships) (A boy and a girl from Rochester High School)
- Background** This scholarship was established and funded by Michael C. Karas and family to provide assistant to graduating seniors from Rochester High School wishing to continue their education.

Rochester Hills Lions Club Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to Rochester, Adams, Stoney Creek or Avondale seniors pursuing continuing education in college or technical/vocational training. Emphasis will be given to the student who has personally faced the challenges of either vision or hearing impairment or has been actively involved in community service programs or projects relating to the blind and deaf.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Funds provided by donations from individuals, organizations and corporations.

Rochester Jaycees Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing higher education. Must be active in community volunteerism and service; minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The Rochester Jaycees Scholarship was established to provide young people the opportunity to develop personal and leadership skills through local community service and organizational involvement.

Rochester Junior Woman's Club Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to two graduating seniors from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing higher education. Must be active in community volunteerism and service; minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (2 scholarships)
- Background** The Rochester Junior Women's Club was founded in 1956. Its mission is to promote education, strive to preserve natural resources, work to benefit the elderly, and support the arts.

Rochester Lions Club Todd Minbiole Memorial Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School pursuing continuing education in college or technical/vocational training. The student must have maintained a 2.75 or higher GPA and be actively involved in and demonstrated a contribution to community volunteerism and service.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Funds provided by the donation of the "Pro Street" GMC pick-up truck that Todd Minbiole drove and various Lions Club fundraisers. A graduate of Rochester Adams and Western Michigan University, Mr. Minbiole had a career in sales/marketing, loved muscle cars, dogs and the Detroit Lions.

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Rochester Rotary Award Scholarship

- Criteria** Available, at the discretion of the Rotary scholarship committee, for graduating seniors from a Rochester area high school who desire and will benefit from furthering their education. A record of community service and demonstration of leadership. Recommendation of the Interact Advisor is a consideration. Student must demonstrate Rotary's Motto of "Service Above Self" and financial need may be considered.
- Award** \$1000 – \$1500 (Non-Renewable)

Rochester Rotary Community Service Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to a maximum of two graduating seniors from a Rochester area high school. Record of community service, leadership, resident of Rochester Community School attendance area. Recommendation of the Interact Advisor is a consideration. Student must demonstrate Rotary's Motto of "Service Above Self".
- Award** \$1000 – \$1500 (Non-Renewable)
- Background** Rotary International is a network of International Service Clubs. The Rochester Rotary Club was chartered in 1954 and currently has over 100 members. Its motto is "Service Above Self."

Rochester Rotary Paul Harris Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to two seniors graduating from a Rochester area high school. Record of community service, leadership, and resident of Rochester Community School attendance area. Minimum 2.75 GPA. Recommendation of the Interact Advisor is a consideration. Student must demonstrate Rotary's Motto of "Service Above Self".
- Award** \$1,500 scholarship per year (Renewable for up to four years) - 2 scholarships awarded
- Background** This scholarship is named for the man who founded Rotary, Paul Harris

Rochester Rotary Sally Case Courage Scholarship

- Criteria** Available, at the discretion of the Rotary scholarship committee, to a senior graduating from a Rochester area high school. Recipients must have overcome obstacles or shown courage, have a record of community service, and demonstrates leadership. Recommendation of the Interact Advisor is a consideration. Student must demonstrate Rotary's Motto of "Service Above Self".
- Award** \$1000 – \$1500 (Non-Renewable)
- Background** The Rochester Rotary Club Sally Case Courage Scholarship is awarded in memory of Rotary's long-time piano player, Sally Case.

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Rochester PTA Council Scholarships – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to four graduating seniors from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School. Eligible students must be members of the PTSA, maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA, be college-bound and have participated in PTA/PTSA activities or have demonstrated leadership qualities that exemplify the mission of the PTA that advocates for the education of children.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (4 scholarships)
- Background** Four scholarships awarded to students from Rochester, Adams, Stoney Creek and ACE.

Rochester Soccer Club Scholarship

- Criteria** Applicants must have played at least 2 seasons with RYSL or RSC and intend to play soccer at the college level, either varsity, intramural or club soccer. Preference will be given to players who, in addition to playing, have coached a youth team or refereed youth games.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (8 scholarships: A boy and a girl from each of the high schools: Rochester, Rochester Adams, Stoney Creek and Avondale)
- Background** Funds for this scholarship provided by the Rochester Soccer Club, a non-profit organization formed in 1979 to promote youth soccer in our community.

Sharon K. Postnieks Scholarship

- Criteria** Available to female students graduating from a Rochester area high school with plans to become a teacher. Applicants must have a good GPA and show a history of volunteer roles in school and community. Financial need considered.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** Sharon Postnieks was an Elementary School Librarian. In addition to her lifelong interest in reading, she has also been an active member of American Association of University Women. In creating this scholarship, Sharon hopes to provide opportunities for the next generation through higher education.

Stoney Creek High School Athletic Boosters Scholarship – Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to four graduating seniors from Stoney Creek High School who are pursuing higher education. Students must have lettered through a Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) recognized sport and received no disciplinary action during the present school year. The student must have a 2.5 GPA or higher. Families must be members of the SCHS Booster Club.
- Award** \$500 scholarship (4 scholarships)
- Background** This scholarship was established by the Stoney Creek Athletic Boosters.

Susan Thomasson “Heart for Service” Scholarship—Awarded by Rochester Community Schools Foundation

- Criteria** Available to a graduating senior from Adams, Rochester or Stoney Creek High School who have a genuine passion for serving others and who strive to make a difference within the Greater Rochester Community.
- Award** \$1,000 scholarship
- Background** The Susan Thomasson “Heart for Service” Scholarship was established by a donation from Beth and Tom Talbert in memory of Susan Thomasson who dedicated her life to serving her community.

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Tim Crawford Insurance Company Scholarship

Criteria

Scholarship available to a Rochester, Adams or Stoney Creek male student, who has attained the Boy Scouts of America rank of Eagle Scout, is majoring in Business Administration and planning a career in business.

Award

\$1,000 scholarship

Background

This scholarship was established by Tim Crawford, a local business owner who is community minded, serves on local boards and committees, and supports many local nonprofits.

Trudy Karas Memorial Scholarship

Criteria

Available to a graduating female senior from Rochester High School. The scholarship will be awarded to one female that meets all the following conditions: (a) attending Michigan State University (MSU), (b) displays a positive attitude that is contagious to others, (c) possesses the ability to handle adverse circumstances, and (d) should be a light that others can see with a strong moral compass.

Award

\$1,000 scholarship to one female (2 scholarships)

Background

In loving memory of Trudy Karas

Willamena Ribbink Memorial Scholarship

Criteria

Available to a Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek senior pursuing a teaching career. Must demonstrate financial need; have minimum 2.0 GPA.

Award

\$1,000 scholarship

Background

Willamena Ribbink (1905-1992) worked as a teacher of business practices and counselor for 35 years at the Rochester Community Schools. "Mena" believed that the major role of a teacher was to help others become successful people.

William R. Vallow Memorial Scholarship

Criteria

Available to Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek or local college student pursuing college education. Must demonstrate academic achievements and community involvement; minimum 3.0 GPA.

Award

\$500 scholarship

Background

William R. Vallow (1934-1992), originally from Denver, was manager of Education & Training for Chevrolet Division during his 37 years at General Motors. He believed education was an important key to success.

The Women's Fund Scholarship

Criteria

Available to female students from Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek High Schools pursuing higher education in college or technical/vocational training. The Women's Fund Scholarship will benefit students who demonstrate active involvement in community service and a commitment to improving their lives through higher education.

Award

\$1,000 scholarship

Background

Established by The Women's Fund to illustrate "Women Helping Women." The Women's Fund seeks to improve the lives of women at all ages and stages of their lives.

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