

College Scholarships

To: Coaches, teachers, and other interested parties

From: Scholarship Selection Committee

Date: 10/29/11

Re: Scholarships for high school students with a tennis background

Attached please find information regarding The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships available to high school students actively participating in competitive tennis in northern Michigan. Please pass this information along to any potential recipients you may know.

The enclosed scholarship packet can be photocopied, or you can obtain additional application packets by writing to: The Bob Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 35, Alden, Michigan 49612-0035, calling Ruth Smith at (231) 331-6168 – home / 231-331-6810 - cell or emailing rasmithtennis@charter.net. Applications are also online at playthebob.com.

The scholarship application deadline for the 2012-13 college academic year is Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

The Scholarship Committee is hoping that Scholarship recipients will be able to attend a banquet to be held the evening of Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme.

The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships

The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships were established to commemorate the memory of a devoted husband, dedicated business man, great friend, worthy competitor, team player, consummate sportsman, and true champion of the game of tennis, who lost his courageous battle against cancer in June 1999 at age 46.

The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships will provide college scholarship grants to high school seniors actively participating in competitive tennis in the Northern Michigan District of the United States Tennis Association/Midwest Section. The goal is to reward young tennis enthusiasts with funding to advance their education. Each year two or more scholarships will be awarded to qualifying applicants.

A selection committee appointed by the board of The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. will determine the scholarship recipients. Selection will be made without regard to the applicant's race, color, ethnic origin, religious belief or physical handicap.

Requirements

To be considered for a scholarship, each applicant must:

- Be a permanent resident within the geographic boundaries of the Northern Michigan District of the USTA/Midwest Section
- Be actively participating in competitive tennis while in high school (Applicants are not required to play collegiate tennis)
- Submit a completed application packet

Application Deadline

All completed applications must be postmarked by Tuesday, January 3, 2012

The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships. In addition to the general information requested on the application, the selection committee will also require affirmation through letters of recommendation from coaches, teachers, and others that the applicant embodies the character and qualities that distinguished Bob throughout his tennis life: dedication to the sport, a willingness to work hard to improve, respect for teammates and opponents, a strong sense of fair play and sportsmanship, and a leadership style that engendered team spirit and unity.

- **Please include three (3) letters of recommendation (one letter must be from a USPTA or PTR professional or high school coach).**
- **On a separate piece of paper, please tell us how your involvement in tennis has impacted your life and explain what a college education means to you.**

To be considered for the academic year 2012-13, all information must be postmarked by Tuesday, January 3, 2012. Please direct any questions to Ruth Smith at (231) 331-6168 or 331-6810 / rasmithtennis@charter.net

Send your completed application packet to:

The Bob Scholarship Fund
Selection Committee
P.O.Box35
Alden, MI 49612-0035

The Bob Swanson Memorial Scholarships Application

(Please type or print)

Personal Information

Applicant _____ Social Sec. # _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone Number (____) _____ Date of Birth _____

E-mail Address: _____

Educational Background

High School _____ Telephone #: (____) _____

Graduation Date _____ Cumulative Grade Point Average _____
(Based on 4.00 =A)

List any scholarships, honors, awards received while in high school: _____

List extracurricular activities in which you have participated: _____

Have you applied for admission to and do you plan to enroll for fall semester/term 2012 at an accredited college or university? Yes _____
No _____

Name of Institution: _____

Financial Information

Estimated costs for academic year (tuition, room/board, fees, books)
\$_____

Have you applied for financial aid? Yes_____ No_____

Planned Family contribution:

Tennis Background

Playing Profile (List rankings, team participation, individual accomplishments, etc.):

Tennis Related Experience:

Number of years played:_____

I declare that the information reported on this form, to the best of my knowledge, is true, correct and complete.

Applicants Signature_____ Date_____