

January 28, 2008

Dear Community NETwork Members, Families and Friends:

The **2008 National Scholarship Committee** is pleased to inform you that we will again award scholarships to qualified African American high school seniors. **It is the responsibility of each chapter to select one qualified applicant then submit the individual selection to the National Scholarship Committee for consideration (see eligibility requirements below).**

The scholarship is named in the honor of Lewis Howard Latimer who was an African American inventor and draftsman. It was his blueprints that were used as the basis for a court decision toward patents to Alexander Graham Bell for the telephone.

The purpose of the Lewis Howard Latimer Scholarship is to recognize African American high school students for their academic and civic achievements. This is a one-time non-renewable award, minimum \$1,000.00.

The attached scholarship application should be reproduced and circulated to high school seniors, interested in being considered for the Lewis Howard Latimer Scholarship. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

#### Eligibility Requirements

- Academic good standing (GPA minimum 2.5)
- African American senior, full-time status in an accredited high school
- Declared intention to enroll in a:
  - 1) four-year accredited college
  - 2) two-year community college
  - 3) accredited business or vocational school
- Submission of a **COMPLETED**, application package received by **April 4, 2008**.
  - 1) Application of student and family data sheets (must be signed)
  - 2) Student official transcript with school seal.

**3) An essay on one of the following topics:**

- Lewis Howard Latimer
- Your Educational and career goal upon graduations
- How My Education Will Benefit My Community
- Autobiography of the applicant, written by the applicant

The essay must be a minimum of two pages, not more than three pages, **typed and double**-spaced, font no larger than 12 pts, and signed by the applicant.

**Please Note: You will lose points on Hand Written Essays**

4) A letter of recommendation (typed and signed)

5) **A 3x5 300 DPI** digital photo (graduation-waist up photo). Photo will not be returned. Applicants **may submit a clear CD with photo**, please note that CDs will not be returned.

Notification of Scholarship Award

The successful applicant will be notified in writing.

PLEASE NOTE: We would like to give every application the attention it deserves, so please do not wait until the last minute to obtain the required data. Things to remember:

- 1) Application packages must be completed as described above
- 2) Incomplete application packages will not be accepted
- 3) Application packages will be returned for insufficient postage
- 4) Application packages must be received by **April 4, 2008**
- 5) All necessary paper work must be received in one complete package
- 6) **INCOMPLETE PACKAGES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**
- 7) Mail scholarship package to:

Community **NET**work Scholarship Committee  
Deborah Brown/Harambee Charlotte Chapter  
Po box 217026  
Charlotte NC, 28221-7026  
browndeborah@att.com

Respectfully,

Nell Stennis  
National Scholarship Chair-Application/Evaluation

# Community NETWORK National Scholarship Application

## STUDENT DATA

### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

STUDENT NAME

AGE

ADDRESS

City

State

Zip

PHONE

SCHOOL ATTENDING

CUMULATIVE GPA

Please answer the following questions: (Use additional information sheet, if necessary.)

What are college major and career aspirations?

What college do you plan to attend?

What college(s) have acceptance been granted?

What are your interest, hobbies talents?

What extracurricular school activities have you participated in? (list offices held, awards received, sports participation, committees, etc.)

What community or church activities have you been involved with? (list volunteer and/or church activities.)

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**

**Student Data continued**

Employer                      Job Title                      Length of Employment

Duties

Work Address

City                                      State                                      Zip

Work Phone

**STUDENT SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

**PLEASE NOTE**

- **ESSAY MUST BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT AND ATTACHED AS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.**
- **PLEASE INCLUDE ALL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATIONS WITH YOUR APPLICATION.**

USE THIS SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL STUDENT DATA INFORMATION (If necessary):

***FAMILY DATA***

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**

**STUDENT/NAME**

**FATHER/GUARDIAN NAME**

Address

Phone

City

State

Zip

Employer (If self-employed, please describe type of business):

Job Title

Years Employed

Phone

Work Address

City

State

Zip

**MOTHER/GUARDIAN NAME**

Address

Phone

City

State

Zip

Employer (If self-employed, please describe type of business):

Job Title

Years Employed \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone

Work Address

City

State

Zip

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**OTHER CHILDREN IN THE HOME**

NAME	AGE	SCHOOL	GRADE
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USE THIS SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL FAMILY DATA INFORMATION (If necessary):

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