

2011 Kansas Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship Winners

Scholarship	App #	Name	Div
Barta Scholarship (\$1200)	101	Elizabeth Rupp, Hays	12
Barta Salina (\$1,000)	6	Lam Nguyen, Salina	4
Circle K Matching (\$1000)	C-7	Kimberly Ann Prockish, Salina	4
	C-10	Myesha Diondria Danae Echols, Wichita	6/7?
	C-3	Kristin Navarre, Prairie Village	9
Key Club Matching (\$1000) (Chosen by Key Club Board)	16	Mariah Jo Miller, Harper	7
	74	Rebecca Lynn Ferguson, Kansas City	9
	68	Jessica Holdt, Harper	7
Honoree (\$750)	70	Ashton Pfannenstiel, Hutchinson	8
	51	Magen Witcher, Elkhart	10
	49	Kathy Nguyen, Garden City	10
	50	Christopher Luck, Elkhart	10
Memorial (\$500)	67	Kelly Marie Gibbon, Derby	7
	45	Adam Gleason, Meade	10
Division (\$500)	1	Jennifer Farmer, Leavenworth	2
	112	Leah Noelle Weir, Iola	3
	62	Courtney Wiggins, Smolan	4
	10	Alison Marie Sharpe, Lindsborg	5
	2	Katie Marie Campbell, Leavenworth	(2)6
	17	Van-Anh Nguyen, Wichita	7
	39	Ryan Bretches, Great Bend	8
	76	Jackson Daniel Wagner, Kansas City	9
	89	Asher E Chester, Garden City	10
	115	Rickaya Irene Branch, Topeka	11
	100	Rebecca Ann Urban, Hays	12

The above results were decided upon by the Kansas Kiwanis Foundations Scholarship Committee March 12, 2011 with four members in attendance. (Chair Bob Hottman, Jackie Byars, Rich Gehlbach, and Gary Dickinson.) Jana Jantzen was absent but sent her selections for inclusion in our discussions.

This is an updated version after visiting with a Circle K Administrator (March 14, 2011) and having her tell me to use the committee's selection for the Circle K Scholarships.

Kenton,

Above are the results of our scholarship committee meeting. There are a few things that need to be explained.

First of all, after you sent me the information on the two ladies for the Circle-K scholarships, I e-mailed them and gave them some background information, including what we needed from them (four selections, in ranked order). Last Saturday, March 5, I sent another e-mail to both of them reminding them that I needed their information by Friday, March 11. I still have not received word from them as to the actions of the Circle-K Board.

Because of that, our committee selected 3 recipients to be awarded, in the event that for some reason the Circle-K Board didn't make any selections. They are:

App #	Name	School	Div.
C-7	Kimberly Ann Prockish, Salina	Hutchinson CC	4
C-10	Myesha Diondria Danae Echols, Wichita	Hutchinson CC	6/7?
C-3	Kristin Navarre, Prairie Village	Washburn	9

If the Circle-K Board comes through with selections, ignore these.

Second. Because there were no applications from Division 6, we selected the following to receive that scholarship, should the foundation board want to award it.

Choice	App #	Name	Div
1	C-7	Kimberly Ann Prockish, Salina Hutchinson CC	4
2	C-10	Myesha Diondria Danae Echols, Wichita Hutchinson CC	6/7?
3	2	Katie Marie Campbell, Leavenworth	2

Third, We think the board should make some guidelines for choosing the Key Club and Circle K selections in an effort to prevent those scholarships from being given on popularity. The rules set up by the International Foundation before the recent change included (1) the Governor could not receive one, (2) recipients had to be members for at least 2 years and (3) the district boards were to make selections. As I understand it, each District is now free to set up its own guidelines now.

Guidelines could range, I suppose, from complete removal of the sponsored youth boards, to leaving them completely in charge. A compromise might be having the foundation committee perform "oversight" with the power to change the selections on a justified basis. What ever is decided, it must be workable within the calendar deadlines we use. Jackie B is able to address this topic.

Forth, members of the committee are constantly amazed at the number we disqualify. This year it was 36, or 28%. That seems high to us, but on the other hand, that means 72% do read and follow instructions. And, it seems inappropriate to us to overlook their negligence and award them a scholarship over a student who did care enough to follow the directions.

Fifth: This year, the committee has awarded 15 of the 25 scholarships to sponsored youth (60%). I know there are different opinions as to "favoring" members of our sponsored organizations, but I believe that no committee member gives points for simply belonging, simply being a card carrying member. Although points are awarded differently by each committee member, we each take into consideration the quality of the student's participation in K-Family activities. I always point out to Key Clubbers that the scholarships are partly determined by "service" and that they have a district advantage because they belong to a service organization, which provides them with more opportunity to be involved with service projects than most students.

Sincerely,
Bob Hottman, Chair