

THE MICHAEL C. ROTHBERG SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



The Michael C. Rothberg September 11th Memorial Scholarship honors the memory of Michael Rothberg, Sharon High School Class of 1980, whose extraordinary life was cut short on September 11, 2001, by the World Trade Center tragedy. This award, conceived and organized by Michael's high school classmates, family and friends, is dedicated to preserving and celebrating his heroic legacy, ethical commitment and service to community. In May 2011, the scholarship committee will award one \$10,000 and two \$1,000 merit-based scholarships to eligible seniors at Sharon High School. All award winners will exemplify, in his or her own way, Michael's academic promise, integrity, and service to community.

Michael was born and raised in Sharon, MA, where he attended East Elementary, Sharon Junior High and Sharon High School. He spent his college years at McGill University in Montreal, earning both undergraduate and master's degrees in math and computer science. His charismatic personality and innovative technical solutions to complex financial transactions won great respect on Wall Street. But Michael created much more than a successful professional life. He excelled in every way. Michael was a loving son, brother, grandson, cousin and nephew. He was a devoted friend, a skilled athlete and a dedicated philanthropist. He used his resources generously, contributing not only financial support but also giving his time and energy to causes in which he believed deeply, including the Dana Farber Cancer Institute's Jimmy Fund, the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, and Mutual Funds against Cancer.

On the morning of September 11, 2001, Michael Rothberg was in his office on the 104th floor of the World Trade Center where he worked for Cantor Fitzgerald as managing director of program trading. During his lifetime, Michael's kindness and gentle spirit touched so many lives, enriching all who knew him with his intelligence, humor, generosity and compassion. We are deeply grateful for donations offered in his memory and for the opportunity to inspire graduating members of Sharon High School to sustain Michael's spirit through their own aspirations and endeavors.

To be considered for this scholarship, please submit the required materials listed below by email with attached files to info@michaelrothbergscholarship.com no later than **April 25, 2011**. Signed materials can be scanned and attached to your email. If necessary to send hard copies of any portion of your submission, please mail them prior to the deadline date to:

THE MICHAEL C. ROTHBERG SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
POST OFFICE BOX 116
SHARON, MA 02067

MATERIALS TO SUBMIT BY APRIL 25, 2011:

- A completed scholarship application form
- Two 250 word essays on the topics described under “Required Essays” on the application
- Two signed letters of recommendation from non-family members
- Your official Sharon High School transcript, GPA and SAT Scores

Forms are available at www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com and through Sharon High School’s Guidance Department. Winners and their families will be notified by phone and invited to receive their awards at the Annual Michael C. Rothberg September 11th Memorial Scholarship Dinner and Silent Auction. This event will take place on the evening of May 26, 2011, at Sapphire Estate in Sharon, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Photos of the dinner and award ceremony as well as essays of past scholarship recipients are posted on the Scholarship Website.



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2011 APPLICATION**

*Please include your full name, address and phone number on each attached document.
Adjust the spacing to accommodate your information.*

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Student’s Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone or Cell: _____

[Scholarship winners will be notified by phone.]

Email Address: _____

Mother’s Name: _____ Daytime Tel: _____

Father’s Name: _____ Daytime Tel: _____

PLEASE LIST:

- 1. YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
- 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES**
- 3. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**
- 4. ANY OTHER INTERESTS**
- 5. WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN STUDYING IN COLLEGE? HAVE YOU CONSIDERED ANY SPECIFIC CAREER GOALS YET?**
- 6. LIST THE COLLEGES YOU HAVE APPLIED TO AND THE STATUS OF YOUR APPLICATIONS.**
- 7. WHICH COLLEGE IS YOUR FIRST CHOICE? WHY?**
- 8. REQUIRED ESSAYS***

Please address topics [A] and [B] below in separate essays (approx. 250 words each) and submit as attached files with your application form. Please be sure your name is indicated clearly on each essay submission:

Essay A Describe your personal goals, challenges or commitments and how you can draw on what you've learned about Michael Rothberg's legacy to inspire your own.

Essay B If you had unlimited power and resources, what would you do to stop terrorism?

* After awards are presented on May 26th at the Michael C. Rothberg September 11th Memorial Scholarship Dinner, the Committee will publish winners' essays on <http://www.michaelrothbergscholarship.com/>. We may also use essays or excerpts therefrom as considered appropriate by the Committee for future media campaigns *unless expressly requested not to do so by individual winners or their parents.*