



Erie Chapter of Credit Unions
James J. DeDad Scholarships
1959 East 36th Street • Erie, PA 16510

Dear Credit Union Member:

Thank you for inquiring about the 2009 Erie Chapter of Credit Unions James J. DeDad Scholarships. The Scholarships are available to participating credit union members between the ages of 17 and 24 who are or will be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in 2009. Applicants do not have to be a business major to apply.

Applying for the Scholarships is easy! Just complete the attached application and write a 500-word essay on **“How can social media (MySpace, Facebook, Twitter, etc.) help you in making educated financial decisions? And what are the drawbacks to using social media in this process?”**

Judging for the Scholarships is based on credit union knowledge and the ability to communicate your thoughts and ideas through your essay. All entrants will be notified of the Scholarship results in July. An awards ceremony for the winners will be held on August 5, 2009 at the Erie Maennerchor Club.

Instructions for all Applicants applying for the Scholarships are:

1. Complete the attached Scholarship Application.
2. Complete the Essay Question. Your essay must be typewritten and can be no longer than 500 words.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: *To avoid any indication of partiality by the judging committee, please do not include the name of your Credit Union, any employee of your Credit Union or in any way indicate which Credit Union you are a member of in your essay.*

3. You must return your application and essay to your Credit Union no later than June 12, 2009 to be eligible. Late Applications and Essays will not be accepted.

The Scholarships will be awarded as follows:

FIRST PLACE	\$3000.00
SECOND PLACE	\$1500.00
THIRD PLACE	\$1250.00
FOURTH PLACE	\$1000.00
FIFTH PLACE	\$ 750.00
SIXTH PLACE	\$ 500.00
Total Scholarships to be awarded equal	\$8000.00

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU!!!



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**APPLICATION FOR THE 2009 ERIE CHAPTER OF
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To apply, you must be a member of a Credit Union participating in the Scholarship Program

YOUR NAME: _____

NAME OF YOUR CREDIT UNION: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER: _____

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER: _____

MAJOR: _____

LAST GRADE LEVEL COMPLETED: _____

Verified by _____



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**ESSAY QUESTION FOR THE 2009
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“How can social media (MySpace, Facebook, Twitter, etc.) help you in making educated financial decisions? And what are the drawbacks to using social media in this process?”