Michigan State University GLBT Groups Announce Student Scholarships for 2009

EAST LANSING, MI, February 23 – The MSU GLBT Alumni Association, GLBT Faculty, Staff and Graduate Student Association and the LBGT Resource Center announce applications and giving opportunities for 2009 student scholarships. Three scholarship opportunities are available.

The Pride scholarship was founded in 2000 by Michigan State University alumnus Bill Beachler and Michigan State University’s Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Faculty Staff and Graduate Student Association. Preference for this scholarship is given to incoming, first-year students who have demonstrated academic achievement and contributions to LBGT Communities. The recipient of the Pride scholarship will receive a minimum of $3,000. Do you know of deserving students who will be attending MSU? Make sure that they are aware of this opportunity!

Two additional scholarships are awarded to current students at Michigan State University. The LGBT Students of Color scholarship is awarded to MSU students who are active in addressing issues for students of color who are lesbian, bisexual, gay and/or transgender. Its purpose is to recognize individuals who help to end the stigma that racism and homophobia leave in all communities. An amount of $300 to $1,000 will be awarded to a full-time undergraduate student at MSU. The Stephen P. Pougnet and Christopher J. Green scholarship is awarded to a currently enrolled student of junior or senior standing. Preference for this scholarship is given to students enrolled in The Eli Broad College of Business. Candidates must demonstrate academic excellence and involvement with or contributions to LGBT communities. A minimum scholarship of $3,600 will be awarded.

Students can find both an online application and a downloadable application at [http://lbgtrc.msu.edu/scholarships.htm](http://lbgtrc.msu.edu/scholarships.htm)

The deadline to apply for all three scholarships is Friday, April 24, 2009. All students are welcome to apply.

If you have questions about the scholarships, please contact Michigan State’s LBGT Resource Center by e-mail at lbgtrc@msu.edu or by phone at (517) 353-9520.

If you are interested in donating to any of the scholarships, please contact Maura Benton by e-mail at bentonm@msu.edu or by phone at (517) 353-0007.