CONNECTICUT SPORTS WRITERS’ ALLIANCE

Print Journalism Scholarship

The Connecticut Sports Writers’ Alliance is accepting applications for its Bohdan Kolinsky Memorial Scholarship.

The scholarship honors the memory of Bohdan “Bo” Kolinsky, longtime scholastic sports editor of The Hartford Courant. He died Dec. 14, 2003, at the age of 49.

The Alliance will award a minimum of $1,000 to a secondary school senior from Connecticut who is admitted to an accredited four-year college for studies leading to a career in sports journalism in the print media. A winner of the scholarship may apply annually for renewal of the grant during his/her years as an undergraduate. The 2005 winner was Daniel Sass of Danbury High School, now enrolled at the University of Michigan.

A student applying for the scholarship must submit:

- A completed application form (mailed with this notice; also available at www.ctsportswriters.org).
- A resume showing good academic standing, involvement in journalism, other extracurricular activities, and awards received, if any. Grade transcripts and copies of SAT or ACT scores may be submitted as evidence of academic standing.
- Three samples of the applicant’s writing published since Sept. 1, 2004. These may have been published in a daily or weekly newspaper, a magazine or a school publication. At least two of the samples submitted must be relevant to sports. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to submit samples of varied types of writing: event coverage, feature story, column etc.
- For each sample, the writer must include the name and address or the newspaper or magazine and the date the article was published. Clippings, or legible photocopies thereof, are preferred. If an article has been heavily edited or pied in publication, the applicant may submit a copy of the original version in addition to the clipping, together with an explanation.
- A one-page letter of recommendation from a teacher, a faculty advisor or a print journalist who supervises the applicant’s work.
- A one-page essay stating why the student wishes to pursue a career in print journalism.

Applicants will be judged on the basis of evidence of their promise as journalists and of ability to successfully complete college-level academic work. All materials submitted by applicants become the property of the Connecticut Sports Writers’ Alliance Inc., and none will be returned.

All seniors at public and private secondary schools in Connecticut who are residents of Connecticut and whose original (freshman-year) classes have not graduated are eligible to apply. Postgraduate or fifth-year students are not eligible.

Applications and supporting materials should be mailed to the Connecticut Sports Writers’ Alliance, P.O. Box 70, Unionville, CT 06085-0070. All applications and other materials must be received by 9 a.m. local time on Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2006. No exception to this deadline will be granted for any reason.

The Alliance, at its sole discretion and subject to the availability of funds, may make additional awards.

The Kolinsky Scholarship winner will be honored at the Alliance’s 65th Gold Key Dinner on Sunday, April 23, 2006, at the Aqua Turf in Southington.

If you have questions, please contact Sean Barker, Alliance president, at the New Haven Register. His office phone is (203) 789-5651.
The Connecticut Sports Writers’ Alliance will award at least one $1,000 scholarship to a high school senior in Connecticut planning to attend a four-year college with hopes of pursuing a career in sports print journalism. There is potential for this scholarship to be renewed based on the student’s ability to maintain set criteria. **Please read attached sheet for further instructions.**

**APPLICATION**

(Deadline: Feb. 1)

NAME: ______________________________________________________________________________

HIGH SCHOOL: _______________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________ APT NUMBER ________

CITY: ______________________________ ZIP CODE: _______________________

HOME PHONE NUMBER: (______) _______________ EMAIL ____________________________

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR _________________________ CONTACT _________________________

JOURNALISM/ENGLISH TEACHER _________________________ CONTACT ___________________