



Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc. (CTB) "Petaluma's Salute to American Graffiti"

Presents the

Rich Poremba, Henry Travers, Susan Giammattei, Don Phelps & Bob Wahl

Memorial Scholarships

Dear Applicant,

The Board of Directors of Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc. (CTB), is proud to offer our support in the pursuit of vocational education, as well as memorializing our founder Rich Poremba and our friends Henry Travers, Susan Giammattei, Don Phelps and Bob Wahl

Rich Poremba was one of the founding Directors of Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc. He was well known in Petaluma for his work with the Petaluma Boys & Girls Club for 14 years. Rich loved traveling, astronomy and volunteering. He bought his first classic car, a 1971 Chevrolet El Camino, in 2009, proudly proclaiming "Now I'm a car guy!"

Henry Travers, transportation manager for George Lucas' film *American Graffiti*, was greatly respected in the motion picture industry. He managed the setup, and drove cars in hundreds of movies and television commercials for over 30 years. In 1972, at the time *American Graffiti* was filmed Henry was responsible for the care and transportation of the key cars used in the movie. Henry's crowning achievement was setting up the police car destruction in the film's most hilarious scene.

Don Phelps was one of the original Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc. board members. His self-proclaimed job as "entertainment director" helped bring acts to perform at our events. Although Don retired as a director he maintained input in our event, joining the parking crew while his health permitted. Don was also a Chrysler guru, specializing in Plymouths. His favorite was his 1951 Plymouth. Don also owned a 1950 and a hemi powered 1957 Plymouth.

Susan Giammattei Cruisin' The Boulevard proudly welcomed Susan from our cruisin' community to our board in 2016 immediately recognizing her abilities by nominating her to our secretary position. Tragically we lost her to an auto accident in the summer of 2016. Susan was certain to be a rising star on our board of directors due to her wide breadth of knowledge, kind spirit and quick wit. In her honor and memory, we have established the Susan Giammattei Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Bob Wahl If you ever attended one of Petaluma's Salute to American Graffiti car shows, you may remember our friend Bob Wahl. He attended the show with his red 65 Ford Galaxie and often made his way around the show either by walker or wheelchair. If you were lucky enough to be parked next to him, I'm sure he would be your best friend by the end of the show.

Scholarships are awarded to Petaluma area high schools' graduating seniors, as well as college students continuing in these studies who are pursuing a career in automotive technology/repair/mechanics/engineering, videography, film production and computer sciences, health and safety, all trade school and vocational programs. The maximum number a person can be awarded this scholarship is two (2) times.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF FIELDS OF STUDY IS:

Automotive: Includes anything related to the automotive field, from autobody and paint to actual automotive repair/mechanics/technology and automotive design.

Performing Arts, Movie, TV or Radio, Video Industries: This includes anything related to the movie industry, acting, producing, sound production, filming, radio, videography, music, etc.

Computer Sciences: Includes anything related to the computer science industry, computer support, network technician, web development, computer software engineer, graphic artist, information systems administrator, 3D animation, etc.

Health and Safety: We are proud to offer this scholarship to those who wish to pursue careers in Law Enforcement, Firefighting, First Aide, First Responders and any medical related field of study.

Trade Schools and Vocational Programs: This includes anyone going to school to work with their hands like an Electrician, Plumber, Carpenter, Mason, Roofer Ect.

Mail completed application to:

Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc.
Scholarship Committee – Attn: Art Azevedo
545 Marshall Ave
Petaluma, CA 94952

To apply, please read all instructions carefully and comply with all mandatory deadlines. Complete and sign this Application in full and [attach a photo of yourself](#)

Note: Applications must be filled out entirely by student. Any applications not filled out by students will be disqualified – no exceptions!

1. **DEADLINE** for scholarship applications is **March 31st (NO EXCEPTIONS)**. Note: Applications received after this date will not be considered.
2. Refer to the application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., recommendations, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.

3. If any question does not apply to you in this application please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print application. All handwritten applications must be completed legibly in ink.
5. **INCOMPLETE** applications packages **WILL NOT** be accepted.
6. Incomplete application packages or applications received after March 31st will be disqualified.
7. All recipients will be notified by phone in April.
8. Scholarships will be presented in person on the 3rd Friday in May at the CTB Friday Night Event.
9. If you have any questions about the application, please call Art Azevedo (707) 762-2657 or Greg Gustafson (707) 338-6734 or by email at Arthur.jr2223@sbcglobal.net or Greg@americangraffiti.net
10. Attach a current usable photo of yourself with your name on the back.
11. We expect all applicants to watch "**American Graffiti**" – the 1973 movie for which our organization and event are based

TIMELINE:

- Applications are due on or before **March 31st** (***Incomplete applications or applications received after March 31st will not be accepted and will be shredded to protect your privacy***)
- Applicants will be notified if awarded a scholarship in **April**.
- Scholarships will be awarded in person on the **third (3rd) Friday in May** at the **CTB Friday Night Event**
Cruisin' The Boulevard, Inc., wishes you every success. Thank you!

Art Azevedo, Chairman
CTB, Inc. Scholarship Committee

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Memorial Scholarships

Personal Information (Attach a usable current photo of yourself that we may use for publication)

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip : _____

Student Cell Phone: _____ Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: _____

Valid (**Non-School issued**) *Email: _____

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Occupation: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: _____

What school do you presently attend? _____

Have you ever applied for this scholarship before? Yes / No (circle one)

***NOTE: Please provide a personal email address – we will not accept email addresses issued by the Petaluma School District.**

High School Record:

What is your current GPA? _____

Are you a member of the National Honor Society? Yes / No

Are you a member of the California Scholarship Federation? Yes / No

List all school and community organizations you have been involved in or volunteered with over the past four (4) years, and list any awards you have received.

Educational Plan:

What type of school do you plan to attend? (Check only one)

Community/Junior College _____

State College/University _____

Private College / University _____

Trade/Vocational School _____

What profession are you pursuing? _____

List names of colleges/schools you have applied to?

Where have you been accepted? _____ Date accepted? _____

About You:

List your hobbies/interests: _____

List any work experience: _____

Why are you applying for this scholarship? _____

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY:

On a separate piece of paper...Write a single page essay – 250 words minimum, that covers the following:

Clearly state how and why you meet the specific criteria for this scholarship and what your career desires are.

Note: Applications must be filled out entirely by student. Any applications not filled out by students will be disqualified – no exceptions!

LETTERS OF RECOMMENATION:

Please attach copies of three (3) letters of recommendation from a school counselor, a teacher, employer, an automotive industry professional or an adult who has known you for longer than five years or supervisor of any non-profit connection. These letters **MUST BE** signed by the person recommending you.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me to the CTB Memorial Scholarship Committee is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Cruisin' The Boulevard, Inc Memorial Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If applicant is over 18 years old)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If applicant is under 18 years old)

Thank You

**Cruisin' the Boulevard, Inc.
Scholarship Committee**

Art Azevedo, Chairman
CTB, Inc. Scholarship Committee

For Scholarship Committee Only:

Date Application Received _____ Application Complete? YES/NO

COMPLETED APPLICATION CHECK LIST:

_____ Completed Application

_____ Applicants Photo

_____ Applicants Personal Info

_____ Applicants Personal Cell/Home phone

_____ Valid Personal Cell Phone for Parent/Guardian

_____ Personal email *Note: We will not accept an email address issued by the Petaluma or St. Vincent School District*

_____Valid Parent/Guardian Personal Email

_____Scholarship Essay: (Clearly legible)

_____Three Letters of Recommendation

_____Applicants Signature Plus Date If over 18 years old

_____Parent/Guardian signature if Applicant is under 18 years old

_____Did the student watch “American Graffiti” movie

Art Azevedo, Chairman
CTB Inc., Scholarship Committee,



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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD INSTRUCTIONS

In the event you are a winner of the Cruisin’ The Boulevard Memorial Scholarship please ensure that the below information is completed and submitted with your application.

To receive your funds you must submit proof of enrollment and a class schedule prior to issuance of the funds in the form of a check payable to you.

It is imperative that **you** comply with the following instructions exactly. Failure to adhere to these instructions could potentially result in delay or forfeiture of your scholarship.

1. Please provide current contact information for you and your parents/legal guardians.
 - a. Home phone: _____
 - b. Your cell phone: _____

- c. Your personal (“non-Petaluma or St Vincent School District” issued) email: _____
- d. Parent/Legal Guardian cell phone: _____
- e. Parent/Legal Guardian email: _____

2. Please provide your **full legal name** as it will appear on your check
a. Name: _____

3. Please provide a mailing address where scholarship funds will be sent
a. Name _____
b. Street _____
c. City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

4. Applicant must submit an official copy of proof of enrollment and or a class schedule to receive a check.
a. An emailed or scanned copy will suffice
b. A copy of your schedule of classes from your registrar is acceptable

5. Please submit all documentation including this form via USPS to:

Art Azevedo:
545 Marshall Ave
Petaluma, CA 94952

Good luck,

Art Azevedo, Chairman

CTB, Inc. Scholarship Committee