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# GET FIT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

## The Elynn Thomas

# WALK, RUN, BIKE OR ROLL-A-THON (2.2 MILES)

Warren Gateway

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Begins at 9:00 am

FREE parking:  
8034 W. Warren Street  
Detroit, MI 48210

*\$35 pledge per person  
(100% tax deductible)*

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# Greetings Members

The Pearls of Promise has had a full calendar of events dedicated to the Youth of Metropolitan Detroit this Spring!

## Minor Hall | *ReImagined!*

Congratulations to the Minor Hall Committee for a successful year of Relaunching and Reimagining Minor Hall! During the 2023 relaunch, thirty youth members were active in the program through the new partnership with the University Middle School Preparatory Academy in Detroit, Michigan.



## Scholarship | *25 Recipients!*

Thank you to all donors who continue to trust Pearls of Promise as their pathway to supporting the youth of metropolitan Detroit. Congratulations to the Scholarship Committee for a successful Scholarship review cycle and Scholarship Reception!

## Ivylettes | *Application is Open!*

Congratulations to the Ivylettes Advisory Committee for a successful year of innovative programming! The 2024-2025 Ivylette application is now open. Get started on your Ivylette application now by [clicking here](#) or by using the link, below:  
<https://www.pearlsofpromisefoundation.com/>



## Annual Walk, Run, Bike and Roll-a-thon

This year's Annual Fundraiser is held on Saturday, July 27, 2024, Warren Gateway at 9:00 a.m. The address of the location and meet up is 8034 West Warren Street Detroit, Michigan. Attention Team Captains are still needed! For information, please contact Pamela Parks. Join a team now and donate now by [clicking here](#) or by using the link, below. Thankyou all for your support!  
<https://tinyurl.com/walkrunbikeroll2024>



## Minor Hall | *The Program ReImagined!*

**April 6, 2024** - The Minor Hall Committee conducted the workshop session, Career Wellbeing: Etiquette. Students learned the personal interpersonal skills needed for future career development. They were encouraged to respect themselves and others through actions and positive, polite behaviors that may enhance opportunities and change their lives. The session was facilitated by LaTonya Dortch, owner and operator of Back to the Basics—Well Done Etiquette.

**May 4, 2024** - The Minor Hall Committee hosted the workshop session Career Wellbeing: Career Panel & Youth Entrepreneurship. Students heard from high-demand business industry partners and youth entrepreneurs regarding the "day in the life." This session was designed to have the students begin to think about career pathways and future career planning. Thank you to the phenomenal panel: Def Jam Music Regional Representative Drew Rives, Cybersecurity/IT Jeree L Spicer, Fashion/Designer Demaia Coleman, Entrepreneur Drakal DaNay Wilkins, Medical Professional/Surgeon Justice Christine, and Facilitator, Nicole Lee.

**May 18, 2024** - The Minor Hall Committee and students participated in a Community Service Project at Forgotten Harvest. Over 4000 pounds of food were sorted. Students had the opportunity to make an impact directly with the community.

**June 1, 2024** - The Minor Hall Committee conducted its culminating event for the program year. The program was led by the participants, and it included performing Mistress of Ceremonies, reflecting on the Minor Hall experience, receiving certificates of participation, and recognizing Community Partners.

## Scholarship | *25 Scholarship Awarded Recipients!*

**May 16, 2024** - The Annual Scholarship Reception celebrated 25 scholarship recipients.

*10 Recipients of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Lambda Pi Omega Chapter Community Scholarship Award \$1,000/ per recipient*

*8 Recipients of the Crystal and Eugene Sewell Trailblazer Scholarship Award \$1,000/ per recipient*

*2 Recipients of the Crystal and Eugene Sewell Trailblazer Book Scholarship Award \$500/ per recipient awarded at the Second Ebenezer Church College and Trade School Fair in Feb 2024*

*2 Recipients of the Elynn Thomas HBCU Scholarship Award \$1,400/ per recipient*

*1 Recipient of the Elnita Nickleberry Herndon Education Scholarship Award \$2,000/ per recipient*

*2 EAF Scholarship Recipients Awarded by Lambda Pi Omega and Soror Crystal Sewell's endowed scholarship*

## Ivylettes | *Applications are now open!*

**April 27, 2024** - The Annual Ivylette Green and White Ball was hugely successful! The Ivylettes presented testimonies of their experiences this program year and recognized their Advisors by sharing their appreciation for them.

**May 18, 2024** - The Ivylettes performed community service by participating in a community cleanup at Scripps Park in Detroit, Michigan.

# Coming Up | *Pearls of Promise Foundation*

## Save the Dates

### 2024 Annual Events:

- Walk, Bike, Run and Roll a thon  
July 27, 2024

## Member Meetings

### 2024 Chapter member meetings:

- Mon, August 26, 2024
- Mon, November 18, 2024