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Lenoir County Community Foundation announces the Kathleen Morrissey Klutey Memorial Scholarship Fund

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The Lenoir County Community Foundation is pleased to announce that a new merit scholarship, the Kathleen Morrissey Klutey Memorial Scholarship Fund, has been established for graduating seniors at South Lenoir High School, Kinston High School and North Lenoir High School.

The scholarship is named for Kathleen M. Klutey, who worked as a guidance counselor at South Lenoir High School for 21 years. Klutey consistently encouraged her students to aim high and consider a broader range of schools when applying to college.

The scholarship will provide a one-time grant of \$5,000 for the selected recipient to apply towards educational expenses at a four-year college or university, with some preference given to students attending an out-of-state institution.

Recipients will be chosen based on exceptional academic performance while taking a rigorous course load, including advanced placement and other honors classes. Additional criteria include significant involvement in extracurricular activities such as athletics or the arts.

The Kathleen Morrissey Klutey Memorial Scholarship is administered by the North Carolina Community Foundation in association with the Lenoir County Community Foundation. Applications can be found online at www.nccommunityfoundation.org/scholarships. Additional information is available from Lenoir County high school guidance counselors. Students should read the instructions carefully and complete all requirements required for the application packet. The application deadline for all scholarships is Friday, March 25, 2016.

The Lenoir County Community Foundation was established in 1996, and is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation (NCCF). The Lenoir County Community Foundation provides grants to local nonprofits, college scholarships to county students and can help individuals, families and nonprofit agencies establish an endowment or designated fund for specific charitable purposes. For more information about the Lenoir County Community Foundation Foundation and its services, please call NCCF Regional Associate Kim Ball at 252-670-5929.

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