

AUDI GERSTEIN PDSA SCHOLARSHIP For Undergraduate/Graduate Students With Platelet Disorders

2010 WINNERS

\$1,000 College Scholarship



Kailey from Mt. Vernon, OH

Kailey, 20 years old, attends College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio. She started gymnastics and ribbon dancing at a young age but had to stop when she was diagnosed with ITP at age six. She went into remission but it reappeared when she was fourteen. Kailey's first year away at college was hard due to her low energy levels but she persevered but she has found that "there is beauty in the fragility of life."

\$100 Book Awards

Hannah from Myrtle Beach, SC

Hannah, 18 years old, was diagnosed with ITP in December 2009. ITP has helped her focus on her goal which is to become a physician.

Hillary from Williamstown, MI

Hillary, 19 years, old, was diagnosed with ITP, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Ehlers Danlos Syndrome, and other illnesses which have changed her approach to life. She chose to go into the medical field to become a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist.

Melissa from Old Forge, PA

Melissa, 23 years old, was diagnosed with ITP at the age of 18. ITP gave her a more positive attitude on life and strengths, and helped her learn from her weaknesses. Melissa is currently studying to be a Dental Hygienist