THEODORE NYDAHL SCHOLARSHIP
The Theodore Nydahl Endowment Fund is accepting applications for its annual scholarships. Theodore Nydahl was a professor of History and the dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Minnesota State University, Mankato. Two scholarships will be awarded to History or Social Studies (History) majors: one to a sophomore student and one to a junior student. Applicants must have earned the equivalent of 8 semester credits in History at Minnesota State University, Mankato, by the end of Fall Semester 2009 and plan to enroll in the MSU History Program the following academic year. The awards will be made on the basis of the highest GPA earned in History. In the case of a tie, the overall GPA will be considered. If necessary, the final decisions on the awards will be made through an interview process. The awards will be in the form of tuition payments for the 2010-2011 academic year.

DAVID TAYLOR SCHOLARSHIP
The David Taylor Scholarship Fund supports two annual scholarships. One scholarship will be awarded to a first year student (2009-2010) who has declared a major in History. In addition to the Application for History Scholarship form, the student must submit an essay explaining why they chose history as their major (about 250 words). This award will be in the form of a tuition payment for Fall and Spring semesters of the 2010-2011 academic year. The second scholarship is given to the Outstanding History major selected by the Faculty of the History Department. This award will be in the form of a cash grant. For further information about either scholarship contact Professor Gorman. These scholarships have been established by the family and friends of Professor David Taylor in order to honor the memory of one who exemplified the highest ideals of historical scholarship and college teaching. Professor Taylor was a member of the History Department from 1969 to 1985.

WILLIAM E. LASS STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS
The Department of History is accepting applications for the William E. Lass Student Research and Writing Scholarship. Professor Emeritus Lass taught history to Minnesota State University students for 42 years. During his prolific career, Dr. Lass published dozens of articles and seven books. His prodigious teaching, research, and writing enabled him to become the state’s leading expert on Minnesota history. Dr. Lass established this research and writing fund to help students with the cost of historical research and writing, a passion he keeps alive during his retirement from teaching.

The Lass Writing and Research Scholarships may be used to support research costs for undergraduate and graduate students who are minors or majors in history. Students may use their grants for travel reimbursement, per diem expenses (meals and hotels), as well as the purchase of supplies and other project-related research materials for deposit in Memorial Library. Research may include senior papers, conference papers, alternate plan papers, or theses. Scholarships will be awarded twice during the academic year, and the funds will be dispersed during the term that the student is conducting research. It is expected that students awarded scholarships will attend the spring convocation in order to be recognized for their work.
JEAN HOFER SCHOLARSHIP
Junior and Senior History majors who intend to teach are eligible for the Jean Hofer Scholarship. Application to the Social Studies program is also an application for this scholarship. Jean Hofer was a history major at Minnesota State University, Mankato. One scholarship of $1000 will be awarded in the form of a tuition payment for Spring Semester 2010.

SPONBERG SCHOLARSHIP
The Florence and Ray Sponberg Endowment Fund is accepting applications for its annual scholarship. Florence Sponberg is an emerita faculty member of the Minnesota State University, Mankato, English Department. One scholarship will be awarded to a female undergraduate or graduate student in History or Political Science who can demonstrate that she has an interest in or has been active in the promotion of peace in the world. This requirement can be met by submitting a research paper on a peace-related topic which was written for an upper division undergraduate or graduate course at MSU, or by submitting evidence of active participation in the Kessel Institute or another peace-promoting organization. The applicant should be planning to enroll as a full-time student at MSU, Mankato for the academic year. The award will be made in the form of tuition payments for the 2010-2011 academic year.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:  February 19, 2010
Application forms are available in the History Department office, 110B Armstrong Hall or phone 389-1618. For further information contact Professor Gorman of the History Department. The winners will be honored April 11, 2010, at the History Department Honors Convocation.