SWANA MINNESOTA LAND OF LAKES CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP—Applications Due May 31, 2013

The Minnesota Land of Lakes Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) Scholarship Committee is seeking qualified candidates for the Floyd Forsberg Environmental Scholarship. The Floyd Forsberg Environmental Quality Scholarship is for the 2013-2014 academic year beginning in Sept. 2013.

SWANA is a professional association of individuals involved in resource conservation, and solid waste management. SWANA is an international association and Minnesota has been a chapter of this organization since 1986.

Floyd Forsberg was the first Minnesota State Solid Waste Program Director. He began work in 1968 when there were more than 1,200 open dumps in the state. He helped develop a state plan, with a major goal to eliminate open dumps in 1970. By 1978 the majority of the dumps in Minnesota were closed and 75 new sanitary landfills had been licensed. His vision and leadership is highlighted in this award.

Scholarship Amount:
This year the SWANA-Land of Lakes chapter is offering a scholarship in the amount of $3000. The scholarship will be presented at the annual SWANA conference in the fall, scholarship recipients are also invited to speak at the Annual Conference & Show. In addition, two $500 scholarships will be awarded to the runners up.

Eligible Applicants:
Minnesota college students currently enrolled in Environmental Engineering, Civil Engineering, Environmental Health, Environmental Sciences, Soil Science, Solid Waste Management or other environmental related programs at post high school educational institutions located in Minnesota with sophomore standing or higher are eligible to apply.

To Be Considered:
In order to be considered for this year’s scholarship, applications must be emailed or postmarked by 4p.m., May 31, 2013. Completed applications must be mailed, emailed, or hand delivered to Thomas Halbach.

Application Materials:

1. A letter of application that includes a brief description of the applicant’s career goals in the fields of solid waste, environmental quality, environmental health, or related areas. The letter should not exceed two pages in length and should include all relevant contact information including name, address, telephone and email address. Preference will be given to those applicant’s whose career goals and field of study relates to solid waste management.
2. A copy of the student’s college transcript and or their current graduate transcript and their degree plan.
3. A letter of recommendation from their college advisor, or another professor who is familiar with their studies and the student’s potential for growth, development, and service in the environmental quality field.
4. Documentation supporting the students declared major.

Please send all application materials to:

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