MnGIS/LIS Consortium Scholarship News

By Banette Kritzky, Scholarship Chair

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce that the following schools have applied and been accepted for the 2006 MnGIS/LIS Scholarship Award Program (in alphabetical order):

- Anoka Ramsey Community College
- Bemidji State University
- Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College
- Itasca Community College
- Macalester College
- Minnesota State University, Mankato
- Saint Cloud State University
- Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
- University of Minnesota
- University of Minnesota, Duluth
- University of St. Thomas

The committee is hard at work firming up details for the 2nd Annual Scholarship Winners' Competition at the fall conference. A change this year is that each student scholarship winner who participates in the competition but does not win the grand prize for their category will receive \$200 for their contribution to the competition.

One point to help clarify in the selection of the scholarship winners: schools may choose students who have graduated in the past year. Scholarship winners do not need to be current students at the time of the fall conference.

Scholarship deadlines are quickly approaching, so here's a reminder of some upcoming dates. Please send all of the appropriate information to Banette Kritzky via email at banette.kritzky@mn.usda.gov:

- Scholarship winner name(s) and bio(s) May 19, 2006
- Presentation / poster abstracts August 18, 2006 (to include in program booklet)
- Graduate papers September 22, 2006

Finally, also new this year, is a <u>silent auction</u> taking place the evening of Thursday, October 5 at the annual beer tasting event. Money raised at the auction will benefit the MN GIS/LIS Consortium Scholarship Program. The scholarship committee is very excited about this opportunity. Please see Rebecca Foster's article in this newsletter for more details.

See you all at the fall conference!!

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