STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

A letter will be sent out to the various Kentucky university or college chairs or other contacts at the first of the year. The requirements for a student to receive a $500 check to be used as the student wishes are:

1. Attend a university or college in Kentucky.
2. Have a declared major in geology in their second year or later.
3. The nominator only needs to insure that the nominee has a grade point average above 2.75 overall and a 3.0 in geology.
4. This all should be presented in a letter of recommendation from the chair or student advisor and mailed in by March 1 to:

   Nominating Committee Chair KY-AIPG
   PO Box 22521
   Lexington, KY 40522

   Or email the letter to kentuckyaipg@gmail.com

If no nominations have been received by March 1, then another notice will be sent out with a deadline of March 30.

The students that have been chosen will be given their award and check at the KY-AIPG annual dinner. Dinner will be provided for the student and a guest.

Below is a sample letter on KY-AIPG letterhead that can be used as a guide when mailing out to the colleges and universities requesting nominations.

Date
Dr. Rocky Rock, position
University or college department
000 Rocky Road
Rocky, KY 00000

Dear Dr. Rock:

   The Kentucky Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists is currently soliciting nominations from colleges and universities across Kentucky for awards to be presented to deserving undergraduate students of geology. As you are likely aware, one of KY-AIPG’s objectives is to promote geology and raise public awareness about the importance of geology in our lives. One of the ways KY-AIPG hopes to accomplish this goal is to offer cash awards to students attending Kentucky colleges and universities to help defray the costs of higher education.

   KY-AIPG maintains a Student Award Fund from which two students annually (typically depending on the balance in the fund) are awarded for their achievements. The awards are usually presented with the annual KY-AIPG banquet in May. KY-AIPG
is requesting your assistance by nominating a deserving student. To qualify for the award, the student nominee must:

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KY-AIPG always looks forward to honoring students for their efforts and achievements and hopes to assist them as they embark upon their professional journey. We thank you in advance for your assistance and look forward to meeting the students in May.

Sincerely,

Stoney Graywacke
President, KY-AIPG

Below are the contacts to whom the letters can be sent, be sure each year to follow-up with a call to see if there are any changes.

1. University of Kentucky
   Department Chair (Dr. Edward W. Woolery, ewoolery@uky.edu
   Earth and Environmental Sciences
   101 Slone Research Building
   University of Kentucky
   Lexington, KY 40506-0053
   859.257.3758

2. Eastern Kentucky University
   Department Chair (Dr. Melissa Dieckmann, Melissa.dieckmann@eku.edu
   Department of Geosciences
   521 Lancaster Avenue
   Science Building 2234
   Richmond, KY 40475
   859.224.1273
3. Morehead State University  
   Department Chair (Dr. Eric Jerde, e.jerde@moreheadstate.edu)  
   Geology and Earth Systems  
   123 Lappin Hall  
   Morehead, KY 40351  
   606.783.5406

4. Western Kentucky University  
   Department Chair (Dr. Fred Siewers, fred.siewers@wku.edu)  
   Earth, Environmental, and Atmospheric Sciences  
   1906 College Heights Blvd. #31066  
   Bowling Green, KY 42101-1066  
   270.745.5988

5. Northern Kentucky University  
   Department Chair (Dr. Sarmanthie Fernando, fernando@nk.edu)  
   Department of Physics, Geology, and Engineering Technology  
   Office SC 145  
   Nunn Drive  
   Highland Heights, KY 41099  
   859.572.6519 (office)

6. Murray State University  
   Department Chair (Dr. Qiaofeng (Robin) Zhang, qzhang@murraystate.edu)  
   Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences  
   335 Blackburn Science Building  
   Murray, KY 42071  
   270.809.6760