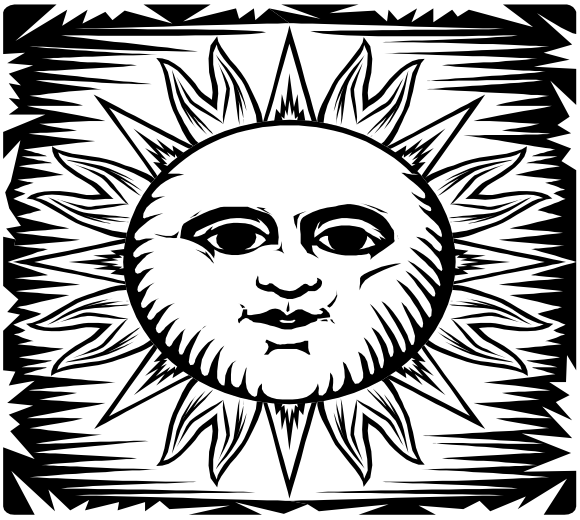

The Fox Cities Youth Alliance presents

The 20th Annual Celebration of the Fox Cities Youth Recognition Program Nomination Form

Thursday, April 25th, 2013

In celebration of National and Global Youth Service Days

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The Fox Cities Youth Service Award is presented to one individual and one youth group in recognition of service to the Fox Cities community. The awards seek to recognize the *spirit of volunteerism*, as found in future leaders of our community, and to encourage young people and adults to take hold of that same spirit in their own lives. All individuals and organizations throughout the Valley are encouraged to nominate any youth or youth group who has demonstrated a commitment to helping others and has succeeded in positively impacting the lives of others during the period from Jan. 1, 2012 through March 15, 2013.

- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** While a young person's accomplishments may not seem lofty enough to win the award, all youth who have made a commitment to volunteerism deserve to be recognized through your nomination. We encourage you to nominate one or more worthy young people. ***All nominees (individuals and youth group representatives) will be invited to attend and be recognized at the 20th Annual Fox Cities Youth Service Award Ceremony Luncheon on Thursday, April 25th at Liberty Hall in Kimberly.***

Nominations must be submitted by or postmarked **MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013**

The Volunteer Center of East Central WI
Julia Drobeck
2616 S. Oneida Street
Appleton, WI 54915
Or email the form using the nomination format to info@volunteercenter.net

Award Ceremony:

- All nominees will be recognized at the award ceremony.
- All nominees will be recognized in the Post Crescent.
- Fox Cities Youth Service Award winners (individual and group) will be announced and recognized with awards at the ceremony.
- Specific information about the Award Ceremony will be sent to you (the nominator) a few weeks before the event.

Eligibility of nominees:

- Must be in grades 1 through 12. (Eligibility has been expanded from previous years.)
- We created a separate category if younger volunteers are nominated.
- Elementary age students will not be judged with high school students. The same form will be used for nominating.
- A resident of the greater Fox Cities area.
- Service must be that which benefits Fox Cities residents.
- Service must be performed during the period of Jan. 1, 2012- March 15, 2013.

Nominating Procedures:

- Nomination must be filled out completely and in a word document that is emailed to info@volunteercenter.net Call **Julia Drobeck**, 832-9360, with any questions.

- Individuals or groups may nominate more than one candidate and may nominate themselves.

- The decision of the Award Panel will be final.

Selection Criteria:

While a key component of the program is recognition of committed youth volunteers, the Youth Service Award winner will be the individual and group who have performed outstanding volunteer service in their communities. The Fox Cities Youth Service Award recognizes such service by elementary, middle and high school aged volunteers.

NEED: Nominee contributed a needed service to the community.

INITIATIVE: Nominee started new programs, used new methods to solve problems, initiated activities. Involvement of the nominee was active, not figurehead.

ACHIEVEMENT: Nominee accomplished or eclipsed desired results. Volunteering for several volunteer organizations would also constitute a high level of achievement.

IMPACT: The activity or service produced positive changes and provided an example for other groups, individuals or society as a whole.

TIME: Amount of time devoted to the activity was significant.

CHALLENGE: Nominee overcame barriers or challenges, such as limited resources, physical or developmental disability, commitments to other volunteer or school projects or public perceptions of the problem.

Fox Cities Youth Alliance
2013 Youth Service Award
Nomination Form

(Return three-page nomination form on or before MARCH 25, 2013 to:
Julia Drobeck, Volunteer Center,
2616 S. Oneida Street, Appleton, WI 54915. Nomination must be typed or printed, LEGIBLY.)

CHECK ONE

Is this a nomination for an individual? _____ Group _____

Individual Nominee (if nominating an individual)

Full Name _____ Telephone Number _____
Address _____ Contact Person _____
City/State/Zip_____ Grade in school _____
Age_____ Parent(s)/Guardian_____
Email address_____

Group Nominee (if nominating a group)

Full Name of Group_____ Number of Volunteers _____
Address _____ Adult Contact Person _____
City/State/Zip _____ Email address_____
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Information on organization for which individual volunteers

Full Name of Organization
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Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Organization's Contact Person _____ Phone _____
Email address_____
Brief Purpose of Agency / Mission Statement _____
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Do you have knowledge of other groups for which the individual volunteers?

Name of group or groups _____

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Describe the volunteer activities performed by the nominee. Include a postive statement you would like people to know about this nominee.

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(NOTE: Your answer to this question will be read at the recognition program.)

Describe the community need addressed by the nominee. _____

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Describe actions taken and initiative shown by the nominee. Include how much time is involved.

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Describe the impact of the nominee's service. _____

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Describe any challenges faced by the nominee during service.

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Describe what the nominee has achieved through his/her volunteer service.

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References
Please give two references for the nominee, excluding relatives, who can speak to the nominee's volunteerism.

Name _____ Name _____
Address _____ Address _____
Telephone _____ Telephone _____
Email address_____ Email address_____

Nominator

Person filling out this nomination form will be receiving the attendance form for the luncheon to fill out and return by <u>Wednesday, April 17th, 2013</u> Form can be emailed.

Name _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Telephone _____

Email address_____

Signature of nominator_____ Date _____