



DAVID WEISS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



APPLICATION FORM



December, 1965-March, 2009

"I've got the best job in the world. I get to work at an amazing place and tell nice people like you all about it."

Created to perpetuate the character, and in memory of, master interpreter David Weiss, this scholarship award will be given each year to one Region 10 member who's skills emulate Ranger Dave's in the areas of interpretation, environmental education/outreach, creativity and the ability to live by example. These are the qualities that stand out to those who knew David best. Qualities that David recognized as being important to his success and that David would have been proud to know are being fostered in his peers and are flourishing there.

Because of the unique combination of award and scholarship you can nominate a qualified NAI Region 10 member or submit the application for yourself. The award consists of a commemorative plaque for the recipient to keep and the recipient's name added to a living plaque on display at the Visitors Center of the US Army Corp of Engineers' Bonneville Lock and Dam, located in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. The Scholarship includes \$700 for registration, travel, lodging or meals as you see fit to the up coming NAI National Workshop.

Requirements: The recipient of the David Weiss Memorial Scholarship Award must be a current member of NAI Region 10. They also must be able to attend the NAI National Workshop held in Las Vegas, Nevada, November 16-20, 2010. For more information visit: <http://interpnet.com/workshop/> Upon acceptance of the David Weiss Scholarship Award the recipient agrees to volunteer a minimum of three hours at the Region 10 display booth and write a follow up article suitable for publishing in the Region 10 newsletter, Northwest Passages. http://www.nairegions.org/10/NW_Passage.htm



Nominee's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

E Mail Address: _____

Nominated by: _____

Supporting Materials:

In addition to this application each nominee must provide a cover letter explaining how they feel they qualify, a current resume and three letters of support. They may be provided by a supervisor, co-worker, program participant or anyone with an intimate knowledge of the nominee’s skills and abilities. Letters of support should include examples of how the nominee excels in the following areas:

Interpretive excellence.

The ability to thematically present interpretive programs that successfully connects with, and stirs a response in the participants. Programs that support the goals and mission of the nominee’s agency and adhere to the standards set forth by the National Association for Interpretation.

Environmental Education and outreach.

Extra curricular activities that support environmental education or and equivalent area. The goal of this requirement is to show, as David did, passion for the natural world and a desire to foster stewardship of the same.

Creativity:

The finding of artistic outlets for the intent of expressing personal values. Successfully working these art forms into interpretive, educational or outreach programs when relevant. Some examples may include music/song, dance, painting/drawing, sculpture or poetry.

Living by example:

In the personal life, interests and hobbies it must be shown that the nominee has carry over of stewardship values. Respect of the local and surrounding communities, habitats and ecosystems should be evident in the life style of the nominee.

For more information on David Weiss, the life he lead and the impact he had on those around him please visit his memorial page at:

http://www.interpnet.com/about_nai/david_weiss.shtml

Submission and time line:

Send application and completed supporting materials to

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NAI Region 10
Scholarship Committee Chair
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Applications deadline,	July 31, 2010
Committee review nominations,	August 1-31, 2010
Recipient notified	August 31, 2010
NAI National Workshop	Nov. 16-20, 2010