RICE CREEK ASSOCIATES CALL FOR PROPOSALS
-- 2008 --

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM
RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

Rice Creek Associates (RCA) invites proposals from scholars, scientists, educators and students for the 2008 Rice Creek Associates Small Grants Program. RCA's small grants program is intended to support and encourage research, education and public service projects at Rice Creek Field Station (RCFS), particularly in areas of field biology and the natural sciences.

RCFS is a unit of SUNY-Oswego dedicated to the support of academic instruction, research and public service, especially in the natural sciences and environmental education. The mission of Rice Creek Associates is to support the educational, research and service aims of Rice Creek Field Station.

Located about 1 ½ miles south of Lake Ontario and the main campus, RCFS properties include approximately 300 acres of varied habitats with open fields, mature forests, and land in various stages of succession. The property is bisected by Rice Creek and 26 acre Rice Pond. Facilities include labs, a classroom, a small library, collection storage, and small boats. Lodging is available on the main campus.

Proposals oriented toward basic and applied research in field biology, the natural sciences, education, and/or service projects will be considered. Past projects have included such things as small mammal surveys, non-invasive subsurface geological exploration techniques, identification and flight season determination of butterfly populations, turtle population surveys, breeding bird surveys, and collection renovation.

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants need not be affiliated with RCFS or SUNY Oswego. However, the work must be done at Rice Creek Field Station.

FUNDING:

Most awards will be between $500 and $1,000. Additional funds in support of living expenses for visiting scholars may be available at the discretion of the RCA Board of Directors. Grant funds may be used for stipends, travel, supplies, equipment, publication costs or secretarial support. No indirect costs will be considered. RCA encourages grant applicants to seek matching funds from appropriate sources.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS:

An original and 5 copies of each proposal should be submitted by mail to:

Rice Creek Associates
Small Grant Review Committee
Rice Creek Field Station
SUNY-Oswego
Oswego, N.Y. 13126

Proposals are due by March 15, 2008. Awards will be announced on or about April 15, 2008.