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Second Annual Scholarship Essay Contest Announced for 2011 Energy Conference

Jamestown: -- Officials from Chautauqua County, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), and the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation (CRCF) joined together today to announce details of the 2nd Annual Chautauqua County Energy Conference Scholarship.

The three scholarship prizes are awarded each year in conjunction with the Annual Chautauqua County Energy Conference & Expo, which will be held on October 28 and October 29, 2011 at the Chautauqua Suites Meeting & Expo Center in Mayville.

Scholarship prizes will be awarded based on essays written by high school seniors in Chautauqua County who will be graduating in 2012.

Randy Sweeney, Executive Director of CRCF, explained that the essay will need to focus on ways to power cars and trucks under the heading, "What Should Power These in 2025?"

"Each school will select one essay to be submitted to the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation by the September 30th, 2011 deadline," Sweeney said. "Judging by an independent selection committee will begin October 3rd."

Scholarship awards of \$500, \$350, and \$250 will be awarded for the top three essays and winners will be invited to present their essays at a special recognition session at the Conference on Saturday, October 29, 2011.

"As many of our County's high school seniors are already in the process of visiting colleges and planning for their future next fall, I am excited that the CCIDA and CRCF will again be giving seniors the opportunity to compete for these scholarships to aid in their academic aspirations," said Chautauqua County Executive Gregory Edwards.

For more information on the Chautauqua County Energy Conference Scholarships, contact the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation at (716) 661-3390. You can also visit their website at www.crcfonline.org.

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