

Wednesday, July 3, 2013

Joel P. Landeen
City Attorney
Office of the City Attorney
300 Sixth Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

RE: Mines Medal Raffle Request

Dear Mr. Landeen:

The fifth annual Mines Medal Dinner and Award Ceremony will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center. The Mines Medal, initiated in 2009 by President Robert A. Wharton, Ph.D., is a national award presented by the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology to honor engineers and scientists who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and innovation. The annual award highlights the significant role these individuals play to ensure the United States' global preeminence in engineering and science and brings national prestige to the Black Hills area. This year, we will be honoring Dr. Anna Balazs, a pioneer in the area of predicting the behavior of complex polymeric materials through her theoretical predictions.

In addition to presenting the award to our medalist, the dinner and award ceremony serves as an opportunity for us to raise funds for a graduate fellowship. Bursch Travel (formally Modrick's Travel) has agreed to donate a travel package that includes round trip airfare and hotel accommodations at an all-inclusive resort in Cancun, Mexico for two people. We plan to sell 500 raffle tickets for the travel package at \$100 each prior to and during the Mines Medal event with all proceeds benefiting graduate fellowships. The winning ticket will be drawn during the Mines Medal dinner and a representative from Bursch Travel will be in attendance to present the certificate to the winner.

We are requesting permission from the City of Rapid City to move forward with the raffle and begin advertising as soon as possible. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at 605-394-1733 or on my cell at 256-856-8496.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Christy A. Horn
Vice President