



## In the Community

### Alcoa Foundation now accepting grant applications

Alcoa is now accepting grant applications from local non-profit organizations in Stanly, Rowan, Davidson, Montgomery and Davie counties. Community organizations interested in applying for grants from the Alcoa Foundation must submit information by

**Wednesday, March 1.** For additional information, contact [Lanita Coley](#) at (704) 422-5691 or visit the [Alcoa Foundation web site](#).

Since 1988, Alcoa has donated more than \$2 million to support local organizations through grants from Alcoa and Alcoa Foundation. Last year, the Alcoa Foundation distributed more than \$100,000 in grants, including \$30,000 to Stanly County Community College and \$20,000 to support the Rowan County United Way Fund. In addition, Alcoa Foundation provided a \$220,000 grant to UNC-Chapel Hill for educational outreach efforts to promote artifacts from the historic Hardaway site in Stanly County.

### Supporting Areas of Excellence

Alcoa Foundation grants focus on four [areas of excellence](#): safe and healthy children and families, conservation and sustainability, global education and workplace skills, and business and community partnerships.

### Submitting A Grant Request

Grant applications must include a letter signed by the president or executive director that provides the following information:

- The amount requested from Alcoa Foundation
- How the project meets one or more of Alcoa Foundation's areas of excellence
- The community needs that will be addressed
- Planned objectives and activities, and who will benefit from them
- How the benefits will be measured in relation to activities, achievement of objectives, possible partnerships, outcomes and impacts on the community
- How the organization plans to continue the project past the term of the grant
- Complete contact information
- Employer Identification Number (EIN, "501c3 designated" number)

In addition to the letter, the organization must submit an official project budget.

Letters of application can be sent to Alcoa's Badin Works, P.O. Box 576, Badin, NC 28009 or emailed to [Lanita Coley](#).

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## 2005 Recipients

### Alcoa Foundation Grant Recipients

Badin Volunteer Fire Department  
Central Elementary School  
Friends of the Senior Center  
Montgomery County Library  
Pfeiffer University  
Rowan County Parks & Recreation  
Stanly Community College  
Stanly County Rescue  
Yadkin Pee Dee Lakes Projects  
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

### Alcoa Contribution Recipients

Albemarle Rotary Club  
American Legion Dept of NC  
American Red Cross  
Badin Voluntary Fire Department  
Better Badin  
Catawba College  
Cedar Grove Ball Club  
Davidson County Sheriffs Department  
Farmer PTO Athletics  
Helping Hands  
High Rock Lake River Rats  
Stanly County Hospice  
Land Trust for Central North Carolina  
Men Making A Difference  
National Water Safety Congress  
Nazareth Children's Home  
NC Big Sweep  
NC Council on Economic Education  
NC National Guard Association  
NC State University – Women in Engineering Program  
Porter United Methodist Church  
Randolph Gymnastics Academy  
Rowan County Parks & Recreation  
Safe Kids in Davidson County  
Special Olympics of North Carolina  
Stanly County American Legion Baseball  
Stanly County Arts Program  
Stanly County Chambers of Commerce  
Stanly County Christian Ministries  
Stanly County DARE Program  
Stanly County Dixie Pre-Majors

## Alcoa recognized as one of the world's "Top Green Companies"

Business Week has named Alcoa one of the world's "Top Green Companies" in a special report in the magazine's December 12, 2005 issue.



Alcoa was specifically praised for its efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The company has improved a key step in the aluminum production process that enabled it to reduce the output of greenhouse gas emissions by 25 percent.

"At Alcoa, we have reduced our greenhouse gas emissions by building environmental excellence into our manufacturing process," said Randall M. Overby, president, Alcoa Primary Metals Development. "We believe that the best way to build long-term benefits for all of our stakeholders is by combining our drive for environmental excellence, social responsibility and strong financial performance into everything we do."

In addition, Business Week gave Alcoa high marks for its commitment and performance to climate change issues.

- Alcoa was named one of the "Top Five Companies of the Decade" for decreasing its perfluorocarbon (PFC) emissions from smelters by 80 percent. The ranking is based on total reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in relation to a company's revenues and executive leadership on environmental issues during the past ten years.
- Alcoa was recognized as one of the "Top 10 Companies for Best Management Practices" for making climate change issues an executive priority. Alcoa was praised for developing a Climate Change Strategy Team to help set policy direction and advise leadership on implementing positive change.

"We are pleased to be recognized as among the best for our climate change initiatives, as this honor reflects our commitment at Alcoa to being part of the solution to this great challenge that faces our global community," Overby said.

Business Week teamed up with the Climate Group, an international organization dedicated to advancing business and government leaders on climate change, and Strategic Value Advisor, a leading Wall Street green investment research firm, to select the winners. Other "Top Green Companies" include DuPont, Bayer, IBM, American Electric Power and Cinergy, among others.

## Around the Lakes

### Drowning at High Rock Lake Reinforces Need for Boat Safety

A tragic boating accident at High Rock Lake in December 2005 has provided a sobering reminder about the importance of boating safety.

Josh Lanier, a 14-year-old from Southmont, was on a hunting and camping trip with three friends when their boat capsized. Three of the teenagers were rescued by a neighbor and passing boater, but Lanier drowned. His body was recovered after an 18-hour search that involved the Davidson County Sheriff's Office and rescue squads from Davidson County, Rowan County, Catawba County, Yadkin County, Davie County, Kernersville, Thomasville and Winston-Salem.

None of the four children were wearing life jackets.

Stanly County Shriners  
Stanly Memorial Hospital  
West Badin Alumni Association  
Stanly News & Press  
Trading Path Association

## Yadkin Relicensing News

### Relicensing Update

*As Alcoa-Yadkin prepares to file its license application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in April 2006, it is holding a series of voluntary settlement negotiations meetings with organizations representing recreational lake users, state and federal agencies, environmental groups and other stakeholders. We will provide regular updates on the progress of those meetings in this space.*

Alcoa-Yadkin hosted settlement negotiations meetings on January 10-12 at the Alcoa Conference Center in Badin, NC. The company presented a counterproposal in response to feedback from state and federal agencies, recreational lake users, local governments, environmental interest groups and others.

The group spent three days discussing specific issues in the counterproposal and providing input regarding the future operation of the Yadkin Project. Participants have been discussing key issues — revolving around the balance between hydropower generation, environmental protection and recreation — for the past 12 months.

### Upcoming Meetings

February 8-9  
Alcoa Conference Center  
Badin, NC

## Upcoming Events



Alcoa-Yadkin encourages all recreational boat users to “Play It Safe on the Lakes” and always wear a life jacket. In the wake of drowning accidents in recent years, Alcoa-Yadkin launched a water and boating safety campaign to promote safety tips.

**Water Safety Tips**

- Always wear a life jacket.
- If you can't swim, learn how.
- Never swim alone.
- Always stay in designated swim areas.
- Keep a close eye on children.
- Watch for storms. Don't swim or boat in severe weather conditions.

**Take a Hike**

Uwharrie Trail  
 January 22, 2006  
 2:00 pm

The Albemarle Parks & Recreation Department is organizing a four-mile hike along the Uwharrie Trail on Sunday, January 22 at 2:00 pm. The hike, open to children and adults, is described as moderately strenuous. Interested hikers should meet at the Rock Creek Park Office, located at 114 Rock Creek Drive off Highway 52. Call (704) 984-9560 by Friday, January 20 to register for this free hike.

**Did You Know?**

Nearly 60 percent of the shoreline surrounding the Yadkin lakes is forested and more than 40 percent of the shoreline is designated as “conservation zones.” Alcoa owns much of the property along shoreline and manages this land for timber and environmental protection, including the protection of rare plants and animal species.

**All About Hydro**

There are nearly 4,000 hydropower generators across the nation, including more than 100 generators in North Carolina. These hydro operations provide an environmentally-friendly source of renewable energy that accounts for approximately 7 percent of the nation's power.

As the nation's power consumption continues to increase, public officials have become increasingly interested in renewable energy sources such as hydropower.

This electronic newsletter is designed to keep the community informed about important issues related to the relicensing of the Yadkin Project.

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**Balancing Energy Generation, Recreation *and* Environmental Resources**