Come and join us for a great day of fun and relaxation on the Three Rivers for the 5th Annual Ohio River Watershed Celebration!! There is no fee to participate!!

Register NOW!! at www.streamrestorationinc.org/rsvp by clicking the Event Registration box. You may also register by phone at 724-772-3448.

FOUR $500.00 AWARDS
Participate and be a Winner !!!

The 5th Ohio River Watershed Celebration (ORWC) will focus on the efforts and impacts that small local watershed organizations have had on the restoration of the Three Rivers in Pittsburgh. These groups are run by dedicated volunteers addressing local issues, but are a very important “cog” in the overall Ohio River Watershed recovery. Many watershed organizations are usually run on the proverbial “shoe string” budget. The ORWC Organizing Committee is celebrating these committed groups and will award four of them with $500.00 awards to be used to meet their organizations goals.

How can your group be a recipient of an award? Register and bring a poster display to the Riverboat Cruise. Your display will be judged and voted on by all participants before and during the trip. The award categories are: Community Outreach and Education, Most Innovative and Cutting Edge Projects, Best Overall Display and Best Example of Partnership Group. The results will be announced at the end of the cruise and checks awarded at that time.

Eligibility Requirements: Organizations must
- Be from the Ohio River Watershed in Pennsylvania or West Virginia.
- Work on a local watershed issue.
- Be a formal or informal association, alliance, conservancy, hunting or fishing club, school group, environmental group, FFA, 4H or other like minded organization.
- Not be a local, state or federal agency or private consulting firm.
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The event will be held September 21, 2006 aboard the Gateway Clipper’s Majestic Riverboat. Departure will be from Station Square in downtown Pittsburgh. This year the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has named the Three Rivers (Allegheny River, Monongahela River, Ohio River) the “Rivers of the Year” for their role in spurring economic growth, shaping the city’s urban renewal, and providing more water-based recreation.

Most of us cross our rivers and streams on bridges without the opportunity to see a river and its scenic sights and landmarks from a boat. Here is the opportunity to do that and much more. Our pre-trip activities include games and activities for everyone, supervised fishing from the dock, live fish and bird exhibits, key environmental speakers, and an awards ceremony. Approximately fifty watershed and environmental groups will have poster displays on board that tell the stories of what is being done to improve the quality of water and air thus improving our “quality of life”.

We will cruise the Allegheny River this year with an exciting and informative narrative about sites we pass. We will lock through the Highland Park Lock and Dam and you will learn about the past, present and future of how our rivers impact our lives. There will be several short environmental presentations from distinguished speakers, such as Mr. Edwin Pinero, Federal Environmental Executive in the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive, and Mr. George Watzlaf of the U.S. Department of Energy’s National Energy Technology Laboratory.

The “Celebration Cruise” will finish with a drawing for many great Door Prizes and the awarding of the four $500.00 watershed awards!!!

SEE YOU SEPTEMBER 21, 2006