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Hey Everyone!

We got a convention in and it was great to see everyone in person! This 2/9/2022, 6:00 pm, Dodge City something or not is a bit trying. Hopefully the covid thing will keep 67801 winding down.

family members there.

Looking forward to the upcoming 3/15/2022 6:00 pm always a good thing.

Russ Baxter from Dig their excavator training classes. We Topeka, and 2 in Overland Park. could even set up a booth if we'd All are listed at kansas811.com under like. I plan to go to the one in Hays the events tab. and hopefully get a couple more members to join me. If others could I made reservations to go to San would be great!

Seems like a logical place to look for new members.

Listed are the first three:

never knowing if it's safe to do Ford County Fair Building, 1012 Park City, Dodge City, Kansas

3/11/2022 8:00 pm, Kansas City The Memorial Luncheon was very Sheraton Overland Park Hotel, 6100 nice and it was great to see so many College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66211

Havs year, lot of work to do, so that's VFW Post 9076, 2106 Vine, Hays, KS 67601

Safe They will have 5 more excavator mentioned we were welcome to training classes that we are also attend and recruit new members at welcome to attend, 2 in Wichita, 1 in

attend one of these coming up in Antonio to the National LICA Dodge City or Kansas City that convention. Will be my first non-Kansas convention. Looking forward to that.

> Here's to everyone having a great 2022.

Kent

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2022 Convention Edition

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2022 KLICA Award Winners

2022 Associate of the Year



Landoll Company LLC

The 2022 KLICA Associate of the Year was Landoll Company LLC. Landoll has been a long -time member of the National Land Improvement Contractors Association (LICA) and joined KLICA in 2019 after being introduced to and invited to join the state chapter.

Since joining KLICA Landolls has been present and supportive at every state event. They support the annual directory and quarterly newsletter with advertising. When KLICA made the decision to host an annul golf tournament Landolls not only entered two teams but provided sponsorship support towards the tournament. Since KLICAs' executive director is not a golfer, advice and guidance were sought out from others and Landoll team members stepped up providing recommendations on organization and event structure which proved invaluable in making the event enjoyable for all. A Landoll team proved their golf prowess with a convincing score to win the tournament.

Jim Ladner appreciates the conventions and meetings saying, "These meetings and convention give us an opportunity to listen to end customers on what they need to transport their equipment"

Don Landoll manufactured his first trailer in 1969 to solve a transport problem for one of his customers. Since that day Landoll has grown to become the world's leading manufacturer of specialized equipment transport trailers providing high-quality trailers ranging from 5 to 60 ton capacity. Their ground loading trailers provide proven loading and transport solutions for many not only the Construction Industry but also Towing & Recovery, Agriculture, Rental, Forklifts and Storage Containers.



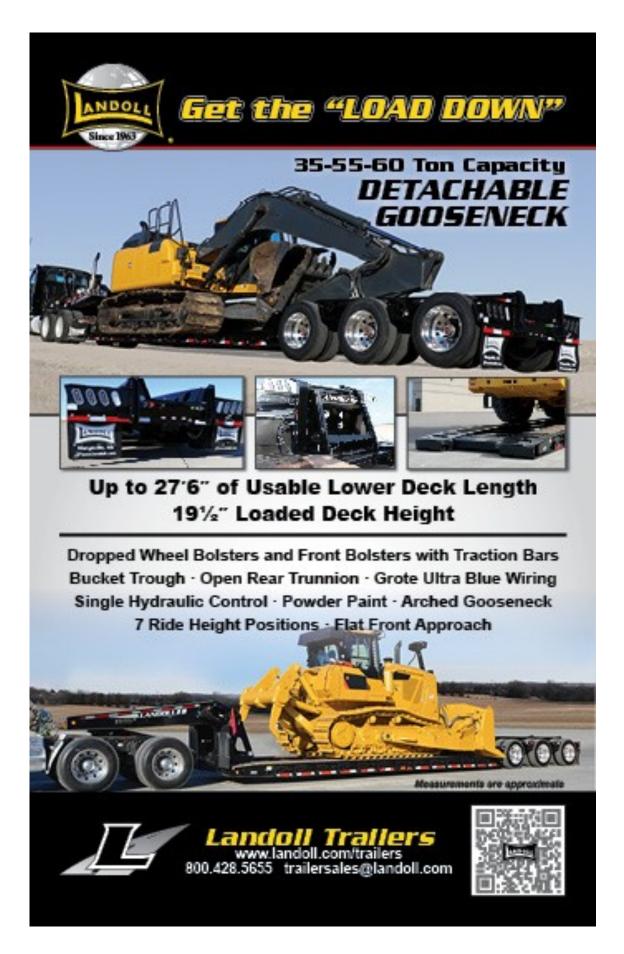
Scott Kracht, Landoll's Shows/Shipping Coordinator, James Fenwick, Past KLICA President, and Jim Ladner, Landoll's Trailer Sales Manager.



Scott visits with Karla Peter, S&K Dirt Service.



Jon Ungerer, Executive Director, shares a laugh with Scott.



2022 KLICA Award Winners

2022 Contractor of the Year

Clem Karlin CK Earthworks, LLC

Clem Karlin, 2022 Contractor of the Year, spent the last year being there for our state. He has been at Quarterly Board meetings, national meetings, and attended our first annual KLICA golf tournament. Whenever the executive director called him, he was quick to respond and get back to him with an article or whatever was needed. Getting back to his attendance at the golf tournament he didn't just attend but quite possibly saved every golfer there from dehydration. Along with the husband of one of the golfers they commandeered a golf cart and delivered over 8 cases of cold water, along with a few beers, to golfers out on the course, staying out there all day. With temperatures edging over triple digits this assistance was quite possibly the most important service of the day and kept our golfers going. Clem is known by everyone at state events and national events. Although he might have slowed down when it comes to construction of land improvement practices, he has donated countless hours to our organization and KLICA membership. As outgoing president of KLICA Clem was proud to represent the Association at meetings and events. His interests were about moving KLICA forward. When you're at an event or meeting he is the one proudly wearing LICA green.



James Fenwick, right, presents the Contractor of the Year Award to Clem Karlin.



Clem with his outgoing presidents gavel.



Clem leads discussion at the Budget & Finance Committee meeting.

2022 KLICA Award Winners

2022 Lady of the Year

Kathy Ungerer

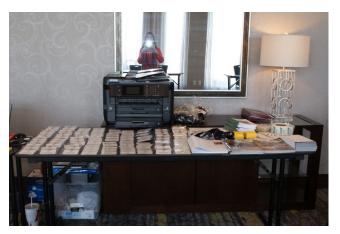
The 2022 KLICA Lady of the Year is Kathy Ungerer. Kathy became associated with KLICA when she was asked to volunteer her help at the 2017 Convention in Topeka. Although it was a stressful event due to the fact this was the first convention for the new executive director and Kathy, she got through it and indicated she actually enjoyed it due to the people she had the opportunity to meet and work with. Little did she know where this was heading at the time. For a few years she remained involved with KLICA through her annual assistance with convention. During this time she did provide input into the workings of KLICA through her questioning and cussing the stacks of folders, unfiled papers, notes, and other paraphernalia associated with KLICA cluttering up the house. To her it was an unorganized mess and she questioned how anything was ever found. She was assured everything was in it's place and accounted for. After years of folders, papers, notes, and other paraphernalia cluttering up not only the office area but the living room, kitchen, dressers in the bedroom, floor of the bedroom, guest bedrooms, with overflow into the washroom and garage she broke and said, in a calm voice, "Either let me organize this or I'm throwing it all out!" Knowing none of this could be thrown out the executive director volunteered her to take over additional duties. And the timing was right since she had just retired from her full-time job. So for the last two plus years Kathy has been responsible for membership renewal paperwork and other daily duties of KLICA. I'm sure you've seen emails or other correspondence from her asking for papers etc. to be returned – she's a lot harder to get along with when it comes to having documentation, which the executive director grudgingly admits is not really a bad thing. Kathy's' help and assistance has really been a good thing for KLICA. The executive director shows his appreciation daily but the biggest problem with her is she doesn't seem to realize the person who has executive director behind their name is the boss!



Kathy Ungerer left with Marsha Schell, Schell Farm & Construction, Inc. and 2017 Lady of the Year.



Kathy has everything ready for convention attendees.



Since Kathy does it all at convention, including taking pictures, we only get one of her when she takes it!





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Length of Membership Recognition

Contractor Members

65 Years

Levin Construction, Inc. Muller Construction, Inc.

60 Years

Barber Construction, LLC Schell Farm & Construction, Inc.

50 Years

MR Feldkamp Enterprises Smelser Construction, LLC

35 Years

Truan's Dozer Service

25 Years

Dust Cloud Construction, Inc. George C. Jueneman Dozer Service, Inc. R.L. Jueneman Construction, Inc. White Construction

Six of our contractor members have family businesses with 50 or more years of membership. This is great to see. It's also sad that our two 50 year members were remembered at the Memorial Luncheon this year, but it is incredible to know they were the joining member. One, has a son continuing the business so the 50 will continue to grow.

KLICA grows stronger with youth and experience working together.

15 Years

Mullen Excavating Muse Excavation & Construction, Inc. S & K Dirt Service

10 Years

4F Enterprise LLC Haupt Construction Company Rich's Dirt Works

5 Years

Alliance Excavating, LLC Cohorst Enterprises Inc. Empire Underground Utilities & Construction Hacker Bros. Construction, Inc Heinen Dozing Kruse Dozer Service, LLC Lang Dirt Service Matador Cattle Company, Inc.

It's encouraging and speaks for the future that we have 14 members with 15 or less years of membership. These members are our future and it is up to the 'more experienced' members to find ways to encourage and promote their involvement. A number of these members have not attended a convention. If you are one of these, remember a convention registration is paid for you the first convention you attend. Hopefully next year is the year you take advantage of this and experience what it really means to be a member of this incredible group of individuals who are willing to share their knowledge, mistakes and successes to help you improve your business. Lifelong friendships can be and are made at your first convention. Don't miss out on this opportunity.

Length of Membership Recognition

Associate & Special Members

Associate Members

50 Years

Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

40 Years

Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co.

30 Years

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25 Years

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Feyh Farm Seed Company

10 Years

United Fire Group

5 Years

Precision Intakes, Ltd

Special Members

55 Years

Richard Mays - Mays Construction, Inc. Lee Wray Russell - Russell & Sons Const. Co., Inc.

20 Years

Republic County Conservation District

Nine Associate Members with 5 or more years of membership and six members recognized for 25 or more years. Thank You to these nine members for the combined 225 years of partnership and support to our contractor members. When doing business with these members please extend your personal Thank You to them for their support of KLICA!

And our Special Members, our retired contractor members, many of who were with KLICA through early years of the Association. They took the time to build their business while also dedicating the time to grow an organization that would benefit other members and the industry as a whole - Thank You!

Our partner Conservation District Members are also a resource we can't overlook. Their direct link with agricultural producers and work to implement programs through their partnership with USDA/NRCS provides a tremendous support system for our conservation contractors - Thank You!

Partners make it all possible - the support of our Associates provides knowledge, growth, and financial support KLICA needs to move forward. Special Member retirees and local partners provide a knowledge and insight we can never overlook or discount.



Brian Lang, Lang Dirt Service 5 Years



Karla & Steve Peter, S&K Dirt Service 15 Years



Paul White, White Construction 25 Years



Dave & Kala Bose, Dust Cloud Construction, Inc. 25 Years

Membership Recognitions



Coretha & Tim Rozendaal, Precision Intakes, LTD 5 Years



Scott Bayless & Luke Fanshier, Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., Inc. 40 Years



Brian Haberly, Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. 50 Years



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Ladies Programs were fun, educational, exciting, and full of life!



Rolling Hills Zoo staff brought animal skins.



Snakeskins



Animals still in their skins.



Animals in their armor.



In the afternoon some beautiful art was created by some beautiful ladies.



And amphibians still in their skin.

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Sunday evening brought a Chief focus.



Monday evening and a sweet 72 year anniversary. John & Irene Loflin.



With many thanks to our Purple Wave Auctioneers and assistant Tim Rozendall, Roger Kisner, Matt Eilert



And USDA/NRCS State Conservationist, Karen Woodrich.



Monday morning an update on state politics by Representative Steven Johnson.



A fantastic auction.



Tuesday morning update from Senator Morans' Ag Representative, Jake Wessel.



And many beautiful smiles throughout!



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In Memoriam

Members lost since our last newsletter.

Susan "Sue" Thole

September 5, 1930 - October 18, 2021

Susan "Sue" Thole passed away October 18, 2021. Sue was the wife of Harold. Sue is survived by two sons, one daughter, five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren three sisters, and one brother. Son, Gregory Thole is owner/operator Thole Land Improvement. Sue was recognized as KLICA Lady of the Year in 2013. Sue taught and judged tatting, sewing, crocheting, and knitting nearly all her life donating it and her cooking to many organizations. Sue was a direct descendant of a Mayflower pilgrim.



Lloyd Elbert Smelser October 30, 1928 - December 6, 2021

Lloyd Elbert Smelser passed away December 6, 2021. Lloyd was owner/operator of Smelser Construction, LLC, McLouth, Kansas. Lloyd is survived by his wife, Margaret, four sons, two daughters, 14 grandchildren and 14 greatgrandchildren. Son, David and grandson Lee now operate the business. Lloyd was recognized as KLICA Contractor of the Year in 2013. Lloyd worked hard his entire life, a life well lived and well loved.



KLICA remembers and extends our sympathy to the families of all members we lost in 2021.



Burke B. Bayer James "Jim" Jueneman John "Jack" C. Bernritter Mark P. Feldkamp William "Bill" Glace Stanley "Stan" Kent Hartwich Susan "Sue" Thole Lloyd Elbert Smelser January 20, 2021 February 10, 2021 February 20, 2021 June 15, 2021 August 4, 2021 August 6, 2021 October 18, 2021 December 6, 2021





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On the Other Side of the Dozer Blade by Margaret Smelser



A sunny afternoon with near 60 degree temps. It is easy to think of "Spring." Like so much of the country we are really needing the moisture. Ponds are getting lower, the oldest pond on the place built about 70 years ago, provides water all winter for the cattle. It has a continuous pool of open water behind the dam. Imagine a pond being built with a team of horses and a "slip" - not easy.

Life took a very tough turn for me on December 6th. When Lloyds long struggle with much suffering ended. He had "fought the good fight" for the last several years. I am so thankful he could be A line from an old poem says this, "I took the road home and I could take care of him as needed. We have been so blessed to have family close by. In the past year, I had to call David, usually in the night, to make that all too familiar drive to Lawrence to the hospital for emergency care.

The Lawrence Memorial Hospital staff were so compassionate. The 2nd wave of Covid hadn't began and our family could be there. Lloyd was surrounded by loving family. It was hard to let him go - but Gods grace is sufficient.

The Nazarene Church in McLouth made us welcome, plenty of room and much more convenient for the Memorial Service then Springdale Friends, our "home."

I asked David for some work stories, his first answer, " I buried 3 goats and a horse." Not real

money making jobs or his favorite. Among the usual assortment, was the unusual, cleaning out ponds in December.

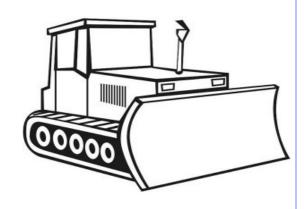
He had a first recently when a pond prospect required an interpreter. A ten acre "dream farm" cows, chickens, etc., for an Oriental family and only one could speak English.

It was good to be at the convention, if only for a short while, for the Memorial Service. It was beautifully done. I was proud that 9 of our family could be there to honor their Dad & Grandpa. And that David and Lee could accept the plaque honoring 50 years of membership. It is truly a family business, with Jean & I behind the scenes. The special song "I'd Choose You Again" played at the end of Lloyds Memorial Service means much to me. The words, "even when the road got rocky" was so true. We had our rocky roads, as probably every contractor has experienced.

Thank you for all your caring and concern. The journey continues. We plan a simple interment in May when our family can get together. Back to Wild Horse, just up the road from where Lloyd was born and lived his first 17 years. A type of "Homecoming."

Spring is around the corner, with new growth and new hope and the blessings of Easter. With a busier, sometimes hectic season ahead take time to be thankful, to tell that special person, "I love you" just in case tomorrow doesn't come.

less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." I'm so glad Lloyd took that road, to be an independent business man. I never regretted his choice.





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Kansas High Hazard Dams A Growing Concern

The Kansas Department of Agriculture recently briefed a legislative committee on dam safety and what they see as a growing concern. Kansas has over 6,000 dams in the state of which over 600 have been determined to be significant or high hazard if breached. The state of Kansas has determined 29 dams to be in unsatisfactory condition and in need of attention to provide for protection of downstream infrastructure.

The state of Kansas does not have the legal authority to require landowners to make needed repairs to these dams. While Kansas has the second most dams in the United States the state is also struggling with the manpower to provide proper oversight of these dams. The state of Kansas utilizes a combination of state and federal funding to address regulatory work on dams. These concerns have resulted in Governor Kelly and the state legislature looking at possible funding and regulatory alternatives to address the repair of high hazard dams and improve the dam inspection process in the state.

The above information was taken from a January 31, 2022 Kansas Reflector article written by Tim Carpenter.

All owners of significant or high hazard dams in the state of Kansas are required to complete and annually review an Emergency Action Plan (EAP). High hazard dams also require a safety inspection by a licensed Professional Engineer every three years and significant hazard dams every five years.

Whether constructed for livestock water or recreation all Kansas landowners should regularly inspect their pond dams regardless of hazard classification. Embankments, principal (pipe) spillway, and emergency spillway are all areas which may need maintenance or repair. Your local United States Department of Agriculture/ Natural Resources Conservation Service and county conservation district can provide information regarding pond maintenance. KLICA contractors can assist with needed maintenance or repairs.





Schell Farm & Construction, Inc. is recognized for 60 years membership. Jeff & Marsha Schell



Smelser Construction, LLC is recognized for 50 years membership. David & Lee Smelser





Rambling Thoughts of an Executive Director

The Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association Annual Convention and Meeting is in the books. It was great to see so many faces not seen for two years.

We had some really good discussion at the Associates Meeting so I would like to say Thank You to all those present and the great input they had for us. We'll definitely take a look at some of these suggestions.

A Chiefs football game that will be remembered as one of the greatest games and comebacks of all time kept everyone occupied Sunday evening.

It was great to see such a big turnout for the Memorial Luncheon. The board made the decision to send a personal invitation to the immediate family of passed members to the luncheon as guests of KLICA. It was wonderful we had a number of families accept their invitation and attend the luncheon. Although the circumstances were sad and solemn it was a pleasure and honor to meet these family members. The wife of a deceased contractor member remarked how good it was to see "this side of her husbands life" and meet those involved in the work he loved so much. Although there are no words to offer we were proud to have these families there to remember and honor their loved ones.

I received many compliments on the scripture readings and song and a number of thank yous for the spiritual nature of the service. As always, I can't say enough about the Memorial Committee and their efforts to pay their respects to our lost members and their families.

Although we had a large number of registrants for convention our crowd had thinned considerably by the time we kicked off the Associates Night activities to honor our award winners and say Thank You to our convention sponsors and exhibitors. As we handed out a limited number of auction numbers I was getting concerned about the auction bottom line. There was no need for concern as the group once again showed what great individuals and people they are. The auction was the best, by quite a bit, in the five auctions I've had the pleasure of attending. Our Purple Wave auctioneers, and their guest helper, as always engaged the crowd keeping bids moving and everyone having fun.

Executive Director cont.

KLICA will once again be having a Swing Away & Pray golf tournament this year so be looking for information on that. We are going to explore the possibility of a field day or two and plan to again pursue assistance for the Servicemember Agricultural Vocation & Education (SAVE) Farm this Fall with a field day in conjunction with those efforts.

Clem, it was an interesting two years with you as president! The timing for your term coinciding with Covid shutting things down and changing the landscape of everything made it difficult at best to move things forward. Still, we were able to hold our first annual Swing Away & Pray golf tournament and do some good things. Thank You.

Kent, I'm looking forward to the next two years. There was a lot of good discussion and ideas talked about in Salina and it's hard not to be optimistic about the future of KLICA!

Spring is coming and while I know there hasn't been any winter shut down for most of you, I hope Spring brings its' usual promise of new and great things. For some of us it is a promise of more time on a bike (motorized of course) and hopefully more fishing this year.

Here's hoping it's a great year for all. Take Care.





KLICA Clothing

There has been quite a bit of interest in clothing with the KLICA logo lately. Three Carhartt coats with KLICA logos were donated for the Convention auction and sold really well. These coats were purchased from Idntiteez in Marysville. If anyone is interested in obtaining clothing with the KLICA or LICA logo here are some examples of what they can provide. They can put this logo on just about any type of shirt/jacket/cap that you might be interested in. If you're interested in clothing you can let me know what you would like or contact Idntiteez directly at 785-562-2300.



Leather patches sealed to the shirt - right has KLICA stitching.



The above two examples are stitched into the clothing.

Breaking News Hot Off the Press from San Antonio National Convention

The 2022 National LICA Winter Convention was held February 15 - 19, 2022 at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk, San Antonio, Texas. Kansas had a strong contingent of attendees in San Antonio with five members and the executive director. The meeting started with a visit to the San Antonio Rodeo followed by a great show put on by Brad Paisley. On Wednesday we bused to Fredericksburg where we enjoyed lunch before spending the afternoon shopping or touring the National Museum of the Pacific War. Personal note here, if you're ever in the area don't pass up a chance to tour this incredible and moving museum housing artifacts and the story of the United States and our allies in the Pacific Theatre. Thursday morning started informative educational panels where we became well versed on the LICA Educational Foundation for Veterans, BusyBusy Time Tracking App., and Creating a Culture of Safety on your construction site. Friday continued with committee meetings and region meetings. As always there was excellent discussion by the many dedicated LICA members on moving LICA forward and advancing land improvement across our nation. Associates Night, sponsored by Landoll Company LLC, was 80's night and a lot of fun. Saturday was the Delegates Meeting, Board Meeting, and Awards Banquet. A huge shout out to National LICA staff and all the meeting sponsors for a great week in San Antonio - Thank You! Look for more pictures in our next newsletter.



Clem Karlin, Kriz Retsema, Kent Henderson, Jeff Schell, Marsha Schell, Linda Dick (barely), Steve Dick, Kathy Ungerer, Jon Ungerer, Becky Riniker, and Dirk Riniker.

Schell Named National LICA Contractor of the Year

At the Caterpillar Awards Banquet to close out the event Jeff Schell was named the National LICA Contractor of the Year. Jeff is owner/operator of Schell Farm & Construction, Inc., Marysville, Kansas. Jeff has been plowing terrace channels since the age of 6 and continues a strong tradition of conservation construction and commitment to

LICA started by his father, Lorane. Lorane served as 1986 KLICA president and was recognized as KLICA Contractor of the Year that same year. Jeff serves on the KLICA Memorial Committee, was elected District 3 director in 2007, elected Vice President for 2013 and served as KLICA President in 2014 and 2015. In 2017 Jeff was recognized as the KLICA Contractor of the Year and is currently serving as the KLICA Treasurer and National

LICA Region 6 Director. Schell Farm & Construction is known in Marshall County for dependable, quality construction work and always being there to assist and donate back to community projects and needs. Congratulations to our own, Jeff Schell!



Contractor Member Family Scholarship Opportunities <u>March 15, 2022 Deadline</u>

Family members of contractor members are eligible to apply for a continuing education scholarship awarded by KLICA. The information required can be found on the form below. This form is also available on the KLICA website at <u>Members (kansaslica.com)</u>.

This is a great opportunity for contractor family members.

If you have questions or difficulty downloading the form please contact Jon L. Ungerer, Executive Director at the contact information provided.



Name:		Age:
Street Address:		
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Credit Hours Enrolling Next Year: Fal	11 Semester	Spring Semester
Parent(s) or Guardian(s):		
Contact Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Company Name of current KLICA Contractor Member:		
Applicant Relationship to Company O	wner(s):	
Applicant Signature:		Date:

Application Requirements/Instructions:

Include this completed form and the following -

- A single page essay which describes your academic, vocational, and personal goals and objectives explaining why you think you should receive this scholarship.
- Your college transcripts which shows your year in school and major course of study. If a college freshman include high school transcripts.
- Three (3) letters of recommendation. These can be from school staff/employers/community leaders who are familiar with you and your skills/abilities.
- A wallet size picture (approximately 2"x3"). This picture will be included in the KLICA Newsletter and Directory.

All materials must be mailed to the KLICA office and postmarked no later than March 15. Incomplete, late, or ineligible applications will not be considered.

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Important Dates for your Calendar.....

- February 15-19, 2022
 2022 National LICA Winter Convention San Antonio, Texas
- April 2, 2022 KLICA Quarterly Board Meeting Hays, Kansas Site to be Determined
- KLICA Golf Tournament To be determined
- July 12 16, 2022
 2022 National LICA Summer Meeting Ameristar Casino, Resort, & Spa St. Charles, Missouri
- January 29 31, 2023 KLICA Annual Winter Convention Ramada Inn (Tentative) Topeka, Kansas

