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Daryl Hannah Urges Local Action

Daryl Hannah wowed the Earth Day Awards Luncheon crowd of 450 on April 3 at Giovanni's Convention Center, Rockford, with the depth and breadth of her knowledge of environmental issues. She urged listeners to take action in their daily lives as well as find solutions at the local and regional levels to make our resources go further and keep our life-sustaining systems viable. The film star lives in a small-footprint home in Malibu; both her California and Colorado homes have sustainable lifestyle features—solar panels and systems to capture and reuse waste water. Hannah even drives an alcohol-fueled Trans Am.

Behr Iron and Metal was the Gold sponsor.

Medication Collection June 14

The 2014 Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful Medication Collection will be June 14. The main drop-off will again be 9 a.m.—3 p.m., Machesney Park Mall, 8750 N. 2nd Street, with satellite sites open 9 a.m.—Noon at South Beloit Fire Department, 429 Gardner Street, and Belvidere Township Building, 8200 Fairgrounds Road.

Last year 3,300 pounds of pills, tablets, liquids, inhalers and patches were donated for proper disposal, to prevent water contamination and rid homes of addictive substances.



Volunteers Cathy Schultz and Machesney Park Village Trustee Aaron Wilson greeted donors at the 2013 Medication Collection.



Daryl Hannah urges solving environmental issues by initiating change at the regional level in a discussion with former Rockford Mayor Doug Scott, Illinois Commerce Commission chairman, at the April 3 Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful Earth Day Luncheon. Photo: Hans Rupert/Noir





Left: Executive Director Lori Gummow with Claire Mesa of Belvidere, Hutchcroft Environmental Award winner from Lutheran High School. Right: Russ Johansson, President of Specialty Screw Corp., winner of the Environmental Steward of the Year Award, with Daryl Hannah. Photos: Hans Rupert/Noir



Lori Gummow with volunteers Mark Holmquist and Margie Mullins at the Rockford Recycle Center January 18. To see more volunteer photos, "Like" Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful on Facebook.



