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Gala to fund legal services for the low-income

Plus, NSBE scholarship, 5th Ward employment fair

Special to the American

With a record crowd of 725 in attendance, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri's (LSEM) 18th Annual Justice For All Ball was held recently at the Chase Park Plaza Hotel.

"I am so appreciative of the community and especially the legal community's support of Legal Services of Eastern Missouri through the Justice For All Ball. This year's phenomenal attendance at the Ball underscores that critical support," said Dan Glazier, executive director and general counsel for LSEM.



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Highlighting the black-tie event was a silent auction that featured a bottle of 1994 Dominus Estate Chateau Mouieux wine; tickets, hotel and airfare to see Bruce Springsteen in concert; a beach house; and a restored 1910 historic chandelier.

Longtime LSEM supporters Ron and Sue Schowalter served as honorary chairs of the 18th Justice For All Ball. Ron Schowalter is an active member of the Board of Directors and has served as a volunteer lawyer for many years. Debbie Weaver of Midwest Litigation Services served as Chairperson.

"I want to extend my thanks to everyone involved in the making the Ball the success it was this year," said Weaver. "It was truly an honor to serve as chairperson and see the legal community come together for such a good cause."

Sponsors include Missouri Lawyers Media; The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Mound City Bar Association; The Lawyers Association; St. Charles County Bar Association; St. Louis County Bar Association; Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis; Association of Corporate Counsel- St. Louis Chapter; Jefferson County Bar Association and Lawyers for Equality.

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri is an independent, non-profit organization that has provided legal assistance in civil cases to the low-income community for 50 years. In 2007, LSEM represented over 7,300 clients in 21 counties.

NSBE scholarship

The National Society of Black Engineers-Alumni Extension St. Louis Gateway Chapter is looking for promising high school students to award scholarships of \$1,000 minimum.

Students must be a resident of the St Louis area; graduating high school senior, college freshman or college sophomore; and seeking majors in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

Applicants must submit a completed scholarship application along with the following:

- Transcript from previous semester
- Two letters of recommendation from school faculty
- Photo (will be used for PR and will not be returned)
- Essay on the topic: NSBE'S motto this year, "Igniting The Torch: Engineering In Action!" How does this motto relate to NSBE's goals and objectives? Essay must be typed, no more than 1,000 words, and doubled-spaced.

Recipients must attend the Scholarship Banquet or forfeit award.

Applications must be postmarked by June 1, 2008.

Mail application, essay and letters of recommendation to:

NSBE-AE St. Louis Gateway Chapter

ATTN: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 4183

Hazelwood, MO 63042

Email Nicole Adewale to confirm NSBE has received your application at nsbe_ae_stl_scholarships@yahoo.com and nadewale@abnaengineering.com.

For more information, please contact Ramona-Tumblin-Rucker, Scholarship Banquet chairperson, at 314.565.4132.

Employment/Education Fair

On Thursday, March 27 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Rhema Church, 2233 Cass Ave., 5th Ward Alderwoman April Ford-Griffin, Community Renewal and Development, Better Family Life/Project CREATE and the Rhema Church will be sponsoring the 4th Annual-5th Ward Employment/Education Fair. Over 50 agencies and institutions are scheduled to participate in the free event and attendees are encouraged to bring their resumes.

"I am committed to assisting my constituents in obtaining employment or in furthering their education," said Ford-Griffin.

For more information, call 289-9900 or 588-2199.

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