Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education E-Newsletter

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Nominations Now Being Accepted 2017 Civics in Action Award "Outstanding Civics Student"



Do you know a student who has made a difference or an improvement of the quality of life in their school, home or community through the use of civic engagement? The award application is simple. Deadline for submission is **March 24, 2017**. For more details and nomination form click <u>here</u>.

Seen here is Frederick D'Wayne, Bell, II, right, the recipient of the 2016 Civics in Action Award. Louisiana Supreme Court Associate Justice Jefferson D. Hughes, III presented the award to Bell at the Louisiana State Bar Association's MidYear Meeting.

Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest Open to all high school students!

This contest is sponsored by the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) and approved for listing on the National Association of Secondary School Principals for student contests and activities. Orations must be between five and six minutes long and should pertain to the Revolutionary War and its influence on America today. Contest winners are eligible to receive handsome monetary rewards. View details <u>here</u>.

<u>Thomas.angers@Lusfiber.net</u> or by fax 337-269-0604 by **February 8, 2017**. Mr. Angers can be reached by phone at 337-233-3268.

Kirby Gordon, Jr. Named Recipient 2017 President's Award of Excellence for Outstanding Civics Teacher

Kirby Gordon, Jr., a teacher at Galvez Middle School in Prairieville, was honored at a reception held at the Louisiana State Bar Association's MidYear Meeting. From left, Louisiana Associate Supreme Court Justice Jefferson D.Hughes, III, Gordon, LCLCE President Lawrence J. Centola, III and Louisiana State Bar Association President Darrel J. Papillion.



Haynes Academy for the Advanced Studies "We the People" State Champions



Congratulations to Haynes Academy on winning the *We the People* Congressional Hearing State Championship. This team will represent Louisiana at the *We the People* National Competition in Washington D.C. From left, team teacher Chris Totaro, Rep. Walter J. Leger, III and the *We the People* team members.

Celebrate Law Day in our Schools Lawyers in the Classroom/Judges in the Classroom A partnership of the Louisiana State Bar Association, Louisiana District Judges Association and the LCLCE

Law Day is celebrated during the week before and after May 1. Teachers, judges and lawyers interested in participating in this year's Law Day program, which brings members of the local legal community into Louisiana classrooms, are encouraged to contact the LCLCE office today! Teachers requesting a Law Day presentation will be matched up with volunteer lawyers and judges from their community. This is a free service and a great way to honor Law Day in Louisiana.

Click <u>here</u> for Teachers form. Click <u>here</u> for Attorneys/Judges form.

Suit Up for the Future Summer Program for High School Students



Suit Up for the Future is a legal institute during which students attend an abridged law school session,

field trips to law schools and courts, and an internship consisting of shadowing at area law offices and courts.

This year's institute will be held from June 12 - June 30, 2017. Students entering the 11th or 12th Grade in the Fall of 2017 - or entering their first year of college - are eligible. More information is available <u>here</u>. The online application deadline is **May 12**, **2017**.

Applications Are Now Being Accepted Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC)

This is a great opportunity for Louisiana high school students who have an interest in representing the voices of other young people around the state. LYAC is a yearly-appointed body composed entirely of students that addresses issues affecting the youth of Louisiana. For more information and application form click <u>here</u>. **Application deadline is March 22, 2017.**

Street Law Supreme Court Summer Institute

Street Law, Inc. and the Supreme Court Historical Society will sponsor two sessions of the annual Supreme Court Summer Institute, June 15-20 and June 22-27, 2017. The Institute is open to secondary level social studies teachers and supervisors, who will spend six days on Capitol Hill and inside the Supreme Court learning about the Court, its past and current cases, and how to teach about them from top litigators and educators.

For full information and to apply online (under the "Registration info" tab), click <u>here</u>. The application deadline is **March 13, 2017**.

ALA Teacher of the Year Award

The American Lawyers Alliance (ALA) is sponsoring its annual Law-Related Education "Teacher of the Year" Contest for middle and high school teachers nationwide. Each winner will be presented a \$1500 cash award at the ALA Annual Conference in New York in August 2017. The application **deadline is March 15, 2017**. For more information click <u>here</u>.

Save the Date! LCLCE Reception LA State Bar Association Annual Meeting, San Destin, FL Thursday, June 8, 2017

Join us for a beach side cocktail reception, complimentary to all LSBA Annual Meeting and Summer School registrants. Immediately precedes the LSBA *Beach Bash*.

Attorney Job Positions

The Louisiana State Bar Association has a current listing of job opportunities in the legal field. To view these opportunities click <u>here</u>.



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