



Conference Comments

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LCHSS SCHOLARSHIP

Do you have a son or a daughter who is a high school senior that is graduating in 2008? Is he or she planning to attend to attend college next year? If so, the student may qualify for a \$1000 scholarship that is funded by the annual sale of raffle tickets for the LCHSS State Conference. The minimum requirements are that the student must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and a minimum ACT score of 20. The student must be an active member of LCHSS or the child or spouse of an LCHSS member. The student must exhibit good character as shown by letters of recommendation and by participation in church, school, and community activities. The Scholarship Committee makes its choice based on individual achievements. The scholarship is designated for tuition and books and is payable to the student upon proof of full-time registration as defined by the university. The scholarship application may be downloaded from www.lchss.org or by mailing your request to Julie Miller, P.O. Box 1686, Ponchatoula, LA 70454. The deadline to submit the application with all required information is February 29, 2008.

LCHSS AWARDS

Nominations for the two awards described below must be submitted by January 5, 2008. An award nomination form may be downloaded from www.lchss.org or by mailing your request to Carolyn Bolt, Allen Parish OFS, P. O. Drawer 280, Oberlin, LA 70655. The award committee reviews all nominations and recommends the top two nominees to the State Board, which makes the final decision.

Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to an LCHSS member who has demonstrated committed, continuous, and exceptional service to LCHSS.

George Freeman Award

The George Freeman Award is presented to an LCHSS member who, above the requirements of employment, has demonstrated a committed and continuous service in the broad field of Social Welfare by playing an active role in defining and mitigating various social problems and needs. This could include an individual who has concluded a lifetime of exceptional service in a particular job, combined with extensive contributions in other areas of Social Welfare. An individual who is a candidate for public office is not eligible for this award.

LCHSS Elections

Elections will take place at State Conference to elect Members at large and Regional officers from the Alexandria, Hammond, Lafayette, and Monroe Regions. If you would like to run for any of these positions, please contact Nancy Wright at Nwright@dss.state.la.us or 225-342-0862 to get your name on the ballot.

LCHSS State Conference

LCHSS State Conference will be held March 12-14, 2008 at the Royal St. Charles Hotel, 135 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA. They are offering hotel rooms at \$89.00 per night for up to four people per room. They will charge \$10.00 per vehicle per night for valet parking, which is half of their regular rate. They are also offering a complimentary breakfast. Please visit www.royalstcharles.com for more information. Reservations can be made by calling 800-268-9749. The deadline for reserving a room is February 12, 2008.

Membership Expiration

Please keep in mind that the mailing label indicates the expiration date of your membership. If this date has passed, please send in your renewal fee of \$13 for regular renewals or \$7 for retirees to the return address listed below.

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