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LESTER CLARAVALL NAMED ONE OF THE 2006 TEN OUTSTANDING YOUNG AMERICANS

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TULSA, OKLAHOMA – The United States Junior Chamber (Jaycees) is pleased to announce that Lester Claravall has been named as one of the 2006 Ten Outstanding Young Americans. The presentation of the 68th annual black-tie awards ceremony will be held September 30, 2006, in the Indianapolis, Indiana Adam's Mark Hotel.



Lester Claravall, who earned his BBA and MHR from the University of Oklahoma, began public service career as a Carl Albert Executive Fellow for the Oklahoma Department of Labor. He currently heads the state's Child Labor Unit where he directs the operation of Oklahoma's educational outreach and enforcement activities. He has authored several state and national publications and

has given more than 300 presentations at conferences, seminars, professional meetings, workplaces, youth group meetings, libraries, and schools. He has also spearheaded several state and national initiatives leading to stronger protection of the nation's youngest workers.

He is the principal creator of Paying Attention Pays, a fun, innovative, interactive educational and rewarding game to teach teenagers about Oklahoma's youth employment laws. In 2003, the program set a national standard by becoming the first Child Labor game presented at an Interstate Labor Standards Association (ILSA) national conference.

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2006 OSCPM: Certifiably the Best!

The 17th Annual Educational Conference of the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Managers (OSCPM) attracted more than 400 attendees on September 8, 2006. Many of the Carl Albert interns attended the conference to satisfy the mandatory training requirement required for the Carl Albert Public Internship Program.

The training is held on an annual basis at the National Center for Educational Development at the United State Postal Training Center in Norman, Oklahoma. This year's conference theme was "OSCPM: Certifiably the Best!" The conference opened with keynote speaker John Storm, with "Exceptional Managers Think Outside the Box" offering tips and tools for effective and energetic brainstorming ideas. Ending with keynote speaker Bryan Dodge who presented methods on "How to Build a Better You" focusing on three key areas: how to have your own best year ever, how to create consistent upward growth in your life, and how to focus on the things that really matter in life.

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He is the recipient of the Quality Oklahoma Governor's Commendation for Excellence Award, OKCBusiness Forty Under 40 Award, Oklahoma Public Employees Association Public Service Hero Award, Oklahoma Safety Council Individual Award for Child Safety Advocacy, Oklahoma City Public Schools Industry Partner Award, and four American Society for Training & Development Excellence in Training Awards.

In August 2007, Claravall will become the National President of ILSA, an organization comprised of labor officials from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the USDOL, and several countries, including Russia, Canada, Taiwan, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

His community involvement includes serving as President of Making The Grade, a school-to-work transition program, and graduating from the Fire, Police, FBI, and OSBI Citizens' Academies. He currently serves as Chapter Advisor for the Lambda Iota Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He also serves as an Ambassador for the Oklahoma City Police Department. Claravall resides in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The Ten Outstanding Young Americans program (TOYA) is one of the oldest and most prestigious recognition programs in America. Annually since 1938, The United States Jaycees has sought out the ten young men and women who best exemplify the finest attributes of America's youthful achievers.

The TOYA selection process begins in the spring of each year. Following the submission deadline,

all nominations are forwarded to a panel of screening judges who, working independently, select and rank their top twenty choices. The top twenty point getters become the finalists. The finalists' nominations are forwarded to a panel of finalist judges who rank their top ten choices. The task of judging the nominations is arduous.

Each nominee's accomplishments and contributions are also judged in relation to the Jaycee Creed: "...That earth's great treasure lies in human personality, and that service to humanity is the best work of life" and they must meet certain qualifications: age (18-40, inclusive), American citizenship (or application therefore), and agree to attend the TOYA Awards Ceremony.

CAPIP STATISTICS

35 Executive Fellows and 8 Undergraduate Interns are currently working in 15 different state agencies

Current Executive Fellows and Undergraduate Interns attend 10 colleges and universities.

The CAPIP Applicant pool consists of 49 graduate students and 47 undergraduates.

Don't Forget

...to update your CAPIP file at the end of each semester with:

- Grades from the semester just completed,
- Enrollment for the next semester,
- Training attendance verification,
- Change, if any, in name, address, phone, e-mail, etc.



