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Executive Fellows and Undergraduate interns*

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.



2006 OSCPM: Certifiably the Best! (Continued)



Group photo of the Carl Albert interns who attended the 2006 OSCPM Conference. Front row (left to right): Cynthia Kyle, Department of Rehabilitation Services ; Jenny Chong, Carl Albert Public Internship Program Coordinator, Office of Personnel Management (OPM); Laura Sohl, OPM; Brian Jepsen, OPM; and Jacob Smith, OPM. Back row (left to right): Carol Inman, Oklahoma Employment Security Commission; Kerry Royce, Department of Rehabilitation Services; Danny Robison, Department of Rehabilitation Services; Ben Palmer, Department of Labor; and Sarah Barber, OPM.

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Photo Above (left to right): Alan Ross Tripp from the Office of Personnel Management presented over “Speed Bumps on the Road to Strategic Planning” and hears feedback from David Brown, Oklahoma Tax Commission. Mr. Tripp was a former Carl Albert Executive Fellow.

Photo Right: Sarah Barber, Office of Personnel Management; Jenny Chong, Carl Albert Public Internship Program Coordinator; and Laura Sohl, Office of Personnel Management.

 onference speakers and topics included: Information Security, Matthew Harper and Bobby Simpson; “Git ‘er done”- Key Concepts of Project Management, Fonda Logston; Professional Ethics Beyond Reproach, Marilyn Hughes; Blueprint the Dream, Stephanie Douglas; Winning the Race: Project Management Applied, Jackie Fleener; Excellence in Customer Service: Promote Stellar Customer Service, Paula Land; and Speed Bumps on the Road to Strategic Planning, Alan Tripp.





CAPIP Changes Since March 2006

Executive Fellows-Hired
**Oklahoma State and
 Education Employees Group
 Insurance Board**
 Andrew Hester
Oklahoma City University

Office of Juvenile Affairs
 Alicia Irvin
Oklahoma State University

Kimberly Samuels
Oklahoma State University

**Oklahoma Health Care
 Authority**
 Cathy Nguyen
Oklahoma City University

**Oklahoma Employment
 Security Commission**
 Garrett Otteson
University of Oklahoma

**Department of
 Rehabilitation Services**
 Kerry Royce
Langston University

Undergraduate Interns-Hired
Office of State Finance
 Phillip Acree
Oklahoma State University

**Oklahoma State and
 Education Employees Group
 Insurance Board**
 Kenneth West
Oklahoma State University



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**Executive Fellows-
 Hired/Converted**
**Department of
 Rehabilitation Services**
 Tonya Jones
East Central University

Gary Dellinger
East Central University

**Executive Fellows-
 Agreement Ended**
**Oklahoma Public Employees
 Retirement System**
 Andrea Unruh
Oklahoma City University

**Undergraduate Intern-
 Agreement Ended**
**Oklahoma State and
 Education Employees Group
 Insurance Board**
 Tyler Lawler
University of Oklahoma

Jonea Williams
University of Central Oklahoma

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