**19 July 2012**

**LEAVENWORTH COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATION TELECONFERENCE**

**(Dial-in number: (424)203-8400. Access code: 1080470)**

The Leavenworth Community Service Organization conducted an open teleconference meeting with members on Monday, July 16, 2012 at 8 p.m.to:

1. To determine the level of support local organizations would provide for the 5th Annual Jazz by the River Benefit Concert. (The concert benefits the Richard Allen Cultural Center.)

2. To review the financial report and provide feedback from our last CSO sponsored-event, the Year-end Cookout at PB&J on June 3, 2012.

3. To update the CSO membership roster with current information.

The teleconference began at 8:05 pm. It was hosted by Ron and Laura Coaxum and was attended as follows:

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|  | **Organization** | **Representative** |
| **1** | Art In Motion Drama Troupe | None Present |
| **2** | Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority | None Present |
| **3** | Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity | Mike Law |
| **4** | Blacks In Government | Mary Nelson |
| **5** | Churches United For Our Youth | Tony Majors |
| **6** | Delta Sigma Theta Sorority | Renee Wilson/Ann Moss |
| **7** | First City Riders | None Present |
| **8** | Lvn County Humane Society | None Present |
| **9** | Les Novelettes Social Club | None Present |
| **10** | NAACP | Joe Clark |
| **11** | Order of Eastern Star Fidelity #9 | Lisa Smith |
| **12** | Omega Psi Phi Fraternity |  Ron Coaxum |
| **13** | Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity | Elliott Rodgers |
| **14** | Play Bounce and Jump | None Present |
| **15** | Prince Hall Masons Mt. Olive #3 | Joe Clark |
| **16** | RACC&M | Rick Jackson/Cheryl Mills |
| **17** | ROCKS, Inc. | Katrina Harmon |
| **18** | Socialites Club | Anita Wilson |
| **19** | Sigma Gamma Rho | None Present |
| **20** | VFW Post 12003 | Felix Sanchez |

The telecon opened with a prayer and brief histories of the CSO and the annual Jazz by the River Concert series from Laura Coaxum. Ron Coaxum described three ways the participants could support the Jazz by the River benefit concert:

1. **Tell** – Assist in spreading the word about the Richard Allen Cultural Center and Museum (RACCM) and the work it does in the community, as well as about the Jazz by the River benefit concert that will take place on Saturday, August 18, 2012, at the Performing Arts Center of the Leavenworth High School. The concert features Topeka, Kansas native, Mr. Ron Gutierrez – a dynamic vocalist and exciting entertainer- as well as a cameo appearance by the award winning Cody Choraliers’ *Not for Nothing* Quartet. Social hour begins at 5:00 pm and the concert goes from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Tickets are $20.00 in advance; $25.00 at the door.

2. **Sell** – Organizations are invited to partner with the RACCM in selling concert tickets. For each ticket sold, the organization will receive a 25% rebate from the RACCM.

3. **Give** – Organizations are invited to donate funds to defray the cost of putting on the Jazz by the River benefit concert. Suggested donations levels are as shown below, but any amount can be given:

$250.00: Oletha Adams Level

$500.00: Pat Metheny Level

$750.00: Charlie Parker Level

$1000.00: Louis Armstrong Level

Renee Wilson (Delta Sigma Theta) asked if the event would continue to be held indoors. Ron Coaxum explained that the RACCM Board considered the advantages and disadvantages of indoor and outdoor events and decided on an indoor setting for this year’s event. The RACCM Board will decide the setting for future events.

Laura Coaxum polled each participant as to the level of support their organizations would provide to this year’s event. Responses are listed below.

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|  | **Organization** | **Response** |
| **1** | Art In Motion Drama Troupe | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **2** | Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **3** | Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity | Mike Law: The Alphas will sell tickets. |
| **4** | Blacks In Government | Mary Nelson: BIG will sell tickets as we did last year, and serve on the committee. |
| **5** | Churches United For Our Youth (CUFOY) | Tony Majors: I’ll give a donation from my church and take the information back to the CUFOY’s leadership. |
| **6** | Delta Sigma Theta Sorority | Renee Wilson/Ann Moss: The Delta’s will sell tickets, and serve on the committee. |
| **7** | First City Riders | Per other communication: “Had previously said will not be able to participate in this community event” |
| **8** | Lvn County Humane Society | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **9** | Les Novelettes Social Club | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **10** | NAACP | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **11** | Order of Eastern Star Fidelity #9 | Lisa Smith: OES will sell tickets, and serve where needed during the concert. |
| **12** | Omega Psi Phi Fraternity |  Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **13** | Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity | Elliott Rodgers: PBS will sell tickets. |
| **14** | Play Bounce and Jump | [PB&J had previously agreed to be a ticket outlet] |
| **15** | Prince Hall Masons Mt. Olive #3 | Joe Clark / Rick Jackson: The Masons will sell tickets and help secure the Ticket Table at the event. |
| **16** | RACC&M | Cheryl Mills will be the ticket broker for RACC&M.\* |
| **17** | ROCKS, Inc. | Katreina Harmon: The ROCKS will sell tickets. |
| **18** | Socialites Club | Anita Wilson: The Socialites will sell tickets. |
| **19** | Sigma Gamma Rho | Have not touched basis with, yet. |
| **20** | VFW Post 12003 | Felix Sanchez: The Lansing VFW will make a $250 donation and will assist with labor to put out the yard signs advertising the event. |

\*JBTR tickets are available to be distributed to CSOs by the RACC&M ticket broker, Cheryl Mills. She will have the tickets on Thurs, 19 Jul prior to the weekly meeting from 5:30 – 6:30 at the RACC&M at 411 Kiowa Street. She will also be available at the same location on Friday, 20 Jul from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. to issue tickets to CSOs they’ve agreed to sell. Other arrangements can be made to get tickets by contacting Cheryl Mills at: vmills@kc.rr.com of calling her at (913)727-1392 (Home) or (913)269-8738 (Cell)

Ron Coaxum stated that the PowerPoint slides sent out in advance of the telecom were the wrong slides, and that the correct version would be attached to the minutes. (See attached.)

Laura Coaxum asked whether the CSO as an organization, wanted to make a donation to help sponsor the benefit concert. The consensus was that the CSO would support through the efforts of the individual organizations first, and consider any donations from the CSO as an organization at a later date.

Ron Coaxum said that due to time constraints, the last two CSO meetings have been held by teleconference and have focused on specific agenda items. However, he stated that there was a need to have a physical meeting to address elections, the constitution and by-laws and other administrative issues. He also committed to:

1. Sending the minutes from the telecom to all CSO members.

2. Polling all members for a list of upcoming events for the CSO calendar and newsletter. *Send information on upcoming events to:* *rcoaxum@kc.rr.com**;* *Vengeance4rdi@aol.com* *; and* *jadaboo97@hotmail.com* *.*

3. Providing three suggested dates for members to vote on for the next physical meeting.

4. Soliciting updates to the points of contact information for the members’ organizations. *Send updated points of contact information to* *rcoaxum@kc.rr.com**.*

The telecon adjourned at 9:04 pm.