



April 1, 2009

The members of the Missouri City Chapter of The Links, Incorporated (MCCL), in partnership with The Choice Foundation, Incorporated, are pleased to announce plans to **Celebrate a 30-year Legacy of Community Service and Leadership**. We will commemorate our rich legacy and our community service; and recognize women who exemplify professional and community leadership in the Greater Houston Area during our **Emerald Legacy of Leadership Luncheon**.

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The **Emerald Legacy of Leadership Luncheon** will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2009, at the Hilton Americas Hotel-Houston. During our luncheon, we will honor three dynamic women who exemplify exceptional leadership: **The Honorable Sheila Jackson-Lee, United States Representative, 18th Congressional District of Texas; Constance Ann White, Executive Director of Spindletop Charities, Incorporated; and Janiece Longoria, Partner, Ogden Gibson Broock & Longoria, LLP**. We are also delighted to have **The Honorable Judge Vanessa D. Gilmore of the United States Southern District** give the keynote address. This celebration will also serve as an opportunity to raise funds so that MCCL's may continue its legacy of community service. For this reason, we are soliciting your financial support of the luncheon.

Over three decades, MCCL members have provided comprehensive programs and leadership service locally, nationally and internationally. Our programs include education and leadership programs for students and senior citizens, health and social issues with international impact - particularly in Africa - and the implementation and cultivation of visual and performing arts in Houston.

One of our ongoing signature programs is STEM-ulation: Left Brain-Right Brain. Throughout the school year, this program provides ninth grade E-STEM Academy High School students and seventh and eighth grade Ryan Middle School students with field experiences that focus on careers in the STEM fields — science, technology, engineering and mathematics — as well as in careers requiring STEM applications in the visual and performing arts, while stimulating aesthetic appreciation. Our utilization of community resources also enables us to give interest and insight into post-secondary education. For more information about the MCCL, please visit www.missouricitylinks.org.

We hope that your company will favorably consider supporting our community initiatives as a sponsor for this event. To facilitate your decision, we have attached a sponsorship form for you to indicate your level of commitment. Should you have questions, I can be reached at (713) 306-6822 or saacjames@aol.com.

Sincerely,

Argentina M. James

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Emerald Legacy of Leadership Luncheon
Missouri City Chapter of The Links, Inc. and The Choice Foundation, Inc.
Hilton Americas-Houston, 1600 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas
Saturday, May 30, 2009, 10:30 a.m. Reception and 11:30 a.m. Program and Lunch

SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

Name: _____
As you would have it appear on promotional materials and in the event program

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **E-Mail Address:** _____

Sponsorship checks are made payable to The Choice Foundation. Kindly mail your donation to the attention of Ms. Valra Johnson, P.O. Box 11111, Houston, Texas 77293-1111. The Choice Foundation TAX I.D. number is 80-0154677. Should you have questions, please contact Arleen Lawson at (281)556-5461 or arleenlawson@sbcglobal.net.

I would like to sponsor the event in the following way:

_____ **\$15,000 Emerald Level** includes one (1) table of ten (10), two (2) guests seated at the head table, company logo listed in weekend celebration invitation, company logo listed on Missouri City Chapter Web site and on promotional materials for Missouri City Chapter sponsored events during the year, a premier full page ad in the commemorative booklet and listed as major sponsor for chapter programs for the year.

_____ **\$10,000 Jewel Level** includes one (1) table of ten (10), company logo in weekend celebration invitation, company logo listed on Missouri City Chapter Web site and on promotional materials for Missouri City Chapter sponsored events during the year, a full page (1) ad in the commemorative booklet and listed as major sponsor for chapter programs for the year.

_____ **\$7,500 Gem Level** includes one (1) table of ten (10), company name listed in weekend celebration invitation, company name listed on Missouri City Chapter Web site and on promotional materials for Missouri City Chapter sponsored events during the year, a full page (1) ad in the commemorative booklet and listed as major sponsor for chapter programs for the 2009-2010 year.

_____ **\$5,000 Sparkler Level** includes one (1) table of ten (10), two company listings in weekend celebration invitation, company logo listed on Missouri City Chapter web site and on promotional materials for the year, a half (1/2) page ad in the commemorative booklet and listed as major sponsor for chapter programs for the year.

_____ **\$3,000 Nugget Level** includes one (1) table of ten (10), company listed in weekend celebration invitation, company logo listed on Missouri City Chapter Web site and on promotional, half page(1/2) ad in the commemorative booklet and listed as major sponsor for chapter programs for the year.

_____ **\$1,500 Trinket Level** includes one (1) table for ten (10), company listed in weekend celebration invitation (1) year recognition on the Missouri City Chapter Web site and a quarter page (1/4) ad in commemorative booklet.

_____ Individual tickets are: **\$300** (reserved seating), **\$150** (preferred seating), and **\$100** (General Seating).

_____ My check made payable to The Choice Foundation is enclosed.

_____ My pledge for \$_____ will follow. You can expect payment by May 15, 2009.

_____ I cannot attend, but I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$_____.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____