

Uniting Jewish and African- American youth

Local African-American and Jewish community members have just announced the formation of Cultural Leadership, a non-profit organization that develops leadership, dispels stereotypes and promotes mutual respect between African-American and Jewish youth.

This new organization will annually conduct a year-long program for approximately 20 local African-American and Jewish high school juniors to get them to know about their own and each other's race, religions, cultures and history. The program includes a three-week trip to places of significance to both groups throughout the U.S. The program will develop the leadership ability of participants and seek to build a positive coalition based on common bonds.

Cultural Leadership is currently accepting applications for the inaugural class. The program is open to African-American and Jewish high school juniors who live and attend school in the St. Louis area. Applications are available by calling 725-3222 or visiting www.culturalleadership.com. Applicants must demonstrate leadership potential, curiosity, maturity, effective communication skills, and a commitment to the community.

The deadline is Nov. 5.



Hazelwood East Homecoming Court

On Saturday, Hazelwood East High School celebrated its annual Homecoming Parade and at halftime of the Homecoming Game against Hazelwood West announced its Homecoming Court. Back row (left to right): Samantha Freshley, Alana Gray, Tamiesa Taylor, Alex Creamer, Brittany Baker and Lindsey Jones. Front row (left to right): Katrice Smith, Kiara Sims, Natrice Moore, Whitley Thomas, Vanity Parks, Serena Robinson, Mercedes Hickman and Brittany Redman.

Human rights essay contest

The St. Louis Coalition for Human Rights is accepting submissions for its annual human rights essay contest and annual Unsung Human Rights Heroes and Sheroes awards.

The theme for this year's essay contest is "What is true security in an unsafe world?" The contest is open to middle and high school students in the metropolitan area. Prize money

will be awarded to the top three winners in each grade level.

The unsung award recognizes those who have worked to protect and promote human rights in their school, workplace or community. Nominees and nominators can range from age 12 years and up and must live in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

Essay winners and selected

nominees will be recognized at the annual Celebration of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on Sunday, December 12.

The deadline for essays and nomination forms is Nov. 1. For more information or to receive a nomination form, call 652-7663.

Harvard University recruiting local students

An admission officer from Harvard will visit Metro High School, 4015 McPherson, on Monday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. recruiting students for its scholarship program for students with family incomes of \$41,000 or less.

Help victims of domestic violence

ALIVE seeks volunteers to help victims of domestic violence by answering its crisis line, accompanying clients to obtain Orders of Protection and assisting with outreach. Call 993-7080.