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Students Receive Scholarship Checks at Country Club of Louisiana

Baton Rouge, LA Three students received Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) Kids' Chance Scholarship checks at the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporations (LWCC) 7th Annual Kids' Chance Golf Tournament on Monday. Students attending were Tara Dennis from Jennings, an accounting student at LSU-Eunice and Sara Landry, also from Jennings, a student in the early childhood program at the University of Louisiana Lafayette. Mark and Suzanne Madere, parents of Rebecca Madere of Lutchter, a student in the John Folse Culinary Institute at Nicholls State University, received her mock check.

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) Kids' Chance program provides scholarships to the children of Louisiana workers who have been killed or permanently and totally disabled in an accident compensable under a state or federal Workers' Compensation Act or law. Since 2004, the program has awarded 133 scholarships totaling \$230,000. Families of these killed or disabled workers face difficult challenges as they struggle to overcome the financial burden of their losses. Often a child's dream of going to college is crushed because of unexpected income loss and/or the necessity to forfeit an education for work to financially support their family.

The LWCC held its annual golf tournament on September 27, at the Country Club of Louisiana in Baton Rouge, donating all proceeds to the LBF Kids' Chance Scholarship Program.

For more information about LBF Kids' Chance Scholarship Program go to <http://www.raisingthebar.org/ProgramsAndProjects/KidsChanceProgram.asp>

Photo caption: L-R Kids' Chance recipient Sara Landry, Mark Madere, Suzanne Madere, Kids' Chance Committee co-chair Paul Buffone and Kids' Chance recipient Tara Dennis.

Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) entity organized under the state of Louisiana. As the largest state funder of legal aid, the LBF supports programs providing free legal services for the poor in all 64 parishes. Since 1989, the LBF has distributed more than \$40 million throughout Louisiana to help address the legal needs of indigent citizens, provide a basic understanding of the law, and assist with improvements to the justice system.

The LBF exists to preserve, honor and improve our system of justice by funding, developing or otherwise promoting efforts which enhance the legal profession, increase public understanding of the legal system and advance the reality of equal justice under the law.

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