

Dear Friend of LSED and VLP:

Come celebrate with us! The Erie County Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc. (VLP) and Legal Services for the Elderly, Disabled or Disadvantaged of WNY (LSED) will host a **Champions for Justice Bash** on Thursday, October 29, 2009 at the Rich Renaissance Niagara Atrium from 6 to 9:30 p.m. This will be the local showcase event for National Pro Bono Celebration Week (October 25-31, 2009). The volunteers and staffs of VLP and LSED truly are champions fighting for justice. Their efforts deserve a celebratory bash.

Our celebration will **not** include any boring speeches. Instead there will be open premium bar for all 3 ½ hours, tasty dinner food stations (see below) and live entertainment with the internationally acclaimed *John & Mary and the Valkyries*. The fun will include fantastic gift opportunities through silent and basket auctions, as well as our “Judicial Branch” where everyone is a winner of a gift certificate from a local merchant.

Tickets are very reasonably priced at \$85/person, \$150/couple or \$1,000/table. Sponsorship opportunities and program ads are all economically priced (as detailed on the other side).

VLP and LSED provide free legal services to income-eligible populations. The two agencies share office space and collaborate on a number of projects.

The mouth watering food will include: **Two Carving Stations** (Sirloin of Beef and Roast Turkey); **Asian Station** (Assorted Sushi, Steamed Dumplings, Pot Stickers, Beef & Broccoli, General Tao’s Chicken, and Stir Fried Hoisin Vegetables); **Pasta Bar** (Cheese Tortellini; Penne; Alfredo, Carbonara, and Sundried Tomato Pesto Sauces; Garlic Bread with Cheese; and Hot Garlic Toast); **Cheese & Crackers Station**; **Atrium Chocolate Fountain** (Belgian Chocolate, Strawberries, Cakes, Pretzels, Marshmallows, and Fresh Fruit Cup; and **International Flaming Coffee Station**.

Sincerely,



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For more information about:

LSED go to: <http://www.lsed.org/>

VLP go to: <http://www.ecbavlp.com/>

National Pro Bono Celebration Week go to: <http://www.probono.net/celebrateprobono/>

John & Mary and the Valkyries go to: <http://www.johnandmary.net/>

Rich Renaissance Niagara Atrium go to: <http://www.richscatering.com/rich.html>

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