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Tickets on sale for annual LULAC banquet; Council 307 seeks nominations for awards

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DES MOINES – Tickets are on sale for the annual League of United Latin American Citizens, Council 307, Iowa Latino Leadership Awards Banquet, which this year is expected to draw presidential candidates and their campaigns along with national Latino leaders.

The annual banquet is Oct. 31 at the Holiday Inn-Airport, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. There will be a press conference at 4:30 p.m., followed by a reception, dinner, awards and evening entertainment. This is a formal event. Black tie is optional.

Individuals who have made key differences to the Latino community will be recognized, and two young, promising students will receive scholarships. At least one presidential campaign as already confirmed attendance at the banquet.

The banquet committee is seeking nominations for award recipients through Sept. 20 in the following categories:

- LULAC Builder Award This award is given to a LULAC member who has played an active role in raising public awareness of LULAC, works to grow and expand LULAC in Iowa, and stands out in his/her efforts.
- Latino Business Person of the Year Award This award is given to a Latino(a) business owner or an employee who has risen from adversity or other struggles to create a successful business operation, or an individual who has worked tirelessly in the capacity of her or her business to create a positive impact on the community.
- Latino Hero Award This award is given to an individual who has displayed heroism, selflessness and self-sacrifice while trying to help improve the lives or has saved the life of another.
- Iowa Latino Leadership Award This award is given to someone who has stepped up to take a leadership role or has proven him/herself to be a leader by being at the forefront of standing up for the civil rights of others. Oftentimes, this person has sacrificed in order to better the lives of others.

Nominations must be emailed to media@iowalatinos.org.

Table sponsorships are available for \$500; advertising sponsorships for \$1,000; and event sponsorships for \$2,000. Each sponsor will receive 10 dinner tickets and their name printed in the event program. Event sponsors also will be verbally acknowledge during the awards ceremony and will receive a booth during the reception.

Individual dinner tickets are \$50. Seniors and youth, 18 and younger, pay \$20. Purchase tickets online through LULAC's website: www.LULACIowa.org, or mail checks made payable to LULAC #307 Leadership Banquet, 2463 E. Highview Drive, Des Moines, IA 50320.

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