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Forum Helps Youth Drive to Donate

(Shreveport, LA)– Getting your first driver’s license is an exciting experience. It may also be the first time a teen is asked a life-changing question- “Do you want to be an organ donor?”

To educate and encourage teens and their teachers, Legacy Donor Foundation will hold its **3rd annual Youth Forum on Organ & Tissue Donation**. All area high school students and their teachers are invited. Guest speakers will include a transplant physician, a transplant recipient and a donor family member who will share their experiences.

Nearly 100,000 people are waiting in the United States for a life-saving organ transplant. Almost 1,600 of these are in Louisiana. Today 18 people will die waiting. We know the cure: organ donation, the Gift of Life.

WHAT: Youth Forum on Organ & Tissue Donation

WHEN: November 13, 2007; 9am to noon

WHERE: LSU-Shreveport, University Center
One University Place, Shreveport, LA 71115

WHO: All high-school students and their teachers

TO REGISTER: Visit www.organawareness.org.
Call **504.220.8949**, or email info@organawareness.org.

Interview & Photo Opportunities:

- *Libbie Harrison lost her father who was waiting for a transplant. She then lost her son Justin in an accident, Justin. Justin’s organs saved the lives of 5 people.*
- *Marilyn Thorn is a heart transplant recipient who is married with 3 children and 6 grandchildren*

Legacy Donor Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate the public about organ donation and encourage informed family acceptance of the process.

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