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Distinguished Doer Profile

Royal Vagabonds Foundation Awards 2018 Scholarships

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The Royal Vagabonds Foundation has awarded college scholarships to twenty-three local high school graduates for the 2018-2019 school year. The Foundation's Scholarship Committee reviewed scholarship applications, held interviews with students, and selected the finalists. A Reception for the finalists along with their families, Royal Vagabonds members and special guests was recently held.



"Our goal is to help students turn their educational dreams into reality," said Anthony Neal, president of the Royal Vagabonds Foundation. "Since 2010, the Foundation has provided over \$144,000 in scholarships to students for their college education. As a result of major contributions received from donors this year, we were pleased to also present each student with a brand new laptop computer. Visit our website at www.royalvagabondsfoundation.org."

Scholarship recipients graduated from one of the following high schools: Belleville East, Clayton, Clyde C. Miller, Fort Zumwalt West, Gateway STEM, Grand Center Arts Academy, Hazelwood Central, Hazelwood East, Kirkwood, Liberty, Lift for Life Academy, McClure, McKinley Classical Academy, Metro, MICDS, O'Fallon Township, Pattonville, St. John Vianney, St. Louis University High and Westminster Christian.



2018 Scholarship recipients seated (L to R): Zenani Morgan, Vivian Washington, Hannah Teverbaugh, Jasmine Adams, Seleiya Wilson, Jerrica Flakes, Victoria Jenkins and Blake Patin. Standing (L to R): Damen Alexander, Jazmyne Coleman, Kristin Jones, Alonna Robertson, Mouhamed Ndiaye, Keona Hughes, Brendan Ball, Allen Buckner, Tyson Boone, Miric Byas, Christopher Rogers, Damon Hines, Ronnell Jackson Neia Jackson and Daisha Minner.

Three major events are held each year by the Royal Vagabonds Foundation to benefit student scholarships. Upcoming Foundation events include the 69th Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at Riverside Golf Club and the 2018 Annual Concert at Sheldon Concert Hall at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 28, featuring the Bosman Twins in Concert.

The Annual Leadership Awards Luncheon, the major fundraising event of the Royal Vagabonds Foundation, will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. For information about these events, contact Foundation President

Anthony Neal at 602-9391, Golf Chair Richard Wilson at 882-3419 or Concert Chair Joseph DuBose at 488-4769.

The Royal Vagabonds, Inc. was founded in 1930 when a small group of Black professionals and businessmen got together to plan, implement and share common goals and activities because of limited social and intellectual opportunities for "men of color." The organization has grown and developed into the influential status it enjoys today. Through the years, the Royal Vagabonds, Inc. has provided services, resources, and monetary contributions to individuals and organizations through-

out the community that are involved in improving the lives and/or living conditions of those in need. Robert G. Rogers is Grand Pharaoh of the Royal Vagabonds. The Royal Vagabonds started the Royal Vagabonds Foundation, Inc. in 2005.

Nominate a Doer: To keep readers informed on who's who in the community, Shirley A. Brown's column will highlight a community "Doer" each week. A "Doer" is an individual or organization committed to making St. Louis a better place to live and work. Readers are invited to send "Doer" recommendations to Ms. Brown. Send to sbrown601@aol.com.

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