



Former Governor Jon Corzine will be honored with the Amy and Alan Lowenstein Social Justice Award.

NJISJ PREPARES FOR 6th ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER GALA

Douglas S. Eakeley, Esq., founding trustee of the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice, member of the firm of Lowenstein Sandler and 2011 Dinner Chair, has announced that NJISJ will be celebrating the accomplishments of four honorees on Tuesday, May 3rd at the New Jersey

Performing Arts Center in Newark, NJ. Governor Jon Corzine will receive the Amy and Alan Lowenstein Social Justice Award; Lawrence P. Goldman, CEO of NJPAC, will receive the Lifetime Community Achievement Award; Ralph LaRossa, President and COO of PSE&G, will receive the Corporate Leadership Award; and the Social Justice Committee of the Yale Alumni Association of Metropolitan New York will receive the Community Builders Award. "We owe a great deal to each of these people for improving the lives of our citizens and communities," said Cornell William Brooks, Esq., Executive Director of NJISJ.

During his time as Chief Executive Officer of Goldman Sachs, **Jon Corzine** expanded the company's community outreach and its philanthropic programs, establishing a company-wide program in which employees volunteer on a regular basis in their communities. In 2000, Mr. Corzine was elected to the United States Senate and in 2006 he was sworn in as Governor of New Jersey.

As Governor, Mr. Corzine introduced innovative programs to help children and families. Governor Corzine championed New Jersey's children, overseeing the addition of 102,000 children to NJ FamilyCare, a health insurance program for the working poor. Under his administration, New Jersey became the only state, other than Massachusetts, to enact a child health care mandate. In addition, Governor Corzine was instrumental in forming a partnership with New Jersey law enforcement agents to create the New Jersey Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce. Governor Corzine is also known for his strong record of appointing women and minorities to the judiciary. On May 3rd NJISJ will recognize the Governor's dedication to the people and families of New Jersey, a core value that was so much a part of the lives of Amy and Alan Lowenstein.

Lawrence Goldman, Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, came to Newark to fulfill the vision of many citizens that the city could (and should) have a cultural arts center that would serve the city and the state. In his previous capacity as Vice-President of Carnegie Hall, Mr. Goldman successfully oversaw the restoration, renovation and expansion of that institution. In 1989, Mr. Goldman became the first President of NJPAC and in 1993 was named Chief Executive Officer. Under his skilled guidance and careful stewardship, NJPAC opened in 1997 and today it is a \$187 million multi-facility arts center that brings a diverse program of theater, dance, and music to all New Jersey residents.



Lawrence Goldman will be honored with the Lifetime Community Achievement Award.

Mr. Goldman's achievements, however, span a lifetime. With a Ph.D. in public affairs, Mr. Goldman has been committed to improving communities for decades. Prior to his work at Carnegie Hall, he worked for the New York Urban Development Corporation, the Roosevelt Island Development Corporation, and the Greater London Council. As he retires as CEO of NJPAC, NJISJ is honoring his entire body of work with the Lifetime Community Achievement Award.



Ralph A. LaRossa will be honored with the Corporate Leadership Award.

Ralph LaRossa, President and Chief Operating Officer of PSE&G, heads a corporation that is at the forefront of corporate leadership in Newark. Having joined PSE&G in 1985 as an associate engineer, Mr. LaRossa advanced through a variety of management positions in the company's gas and electric operations. In 1998, he was recognized as Gas Industry Magazine's Outstanding Manager of the Year.

As President and COO of PSE&G, Mr. LaRossa gives back to the community by serving on many boards, among them the boards of the American Gas Association, New Jersey Utilities Association, New Jersey Institute for Social Justice, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Partnership for a Drug-Free NJ, Choose New Jersey, and Bergen County's United Way. He also serves on the board of trustees for Montclair State University and the Newark Alliance, as well as on the corporate advisory board for the Boys & Girls Clubs of New Jersey. For the prominent and philanthropic role that PSE&G plays in Newark and throughout the state, NJISJ is pleased to present Mr. LaRossa with the Corporate Leadership Award.

The Yale Alumni Association Social Justice Committee of Metropolitan New York is a group of Yale University alumni who volunteer their time and expertise to promote public service and advance social justice initiatives in the community. The members of this committee formed the Juvenile Justice Reform Task Force in 2008 to

advance social justice while working with Mayor Booker to help children reach their full potential in New Jersey. In 2009, the Task Force collaborated with the NJISJ legal team to advocate for the reform of New Jersey’s juvenile waiver laws, which govern when children can be tried as adults. The Task Force recruited a wide variety of professionals to draft a seminal policy paper, including lawyers, doctors and nursing professionals. Since its inception, the Committee has selected, organized and executed hundreds of projects throughout the New York City area with the help of thousands of Yale alumni, family and friends. For all these activities, NJISJ is honoring the Yale Social Justice Committee with its Community Builder Award.



The gala evening will begin with a cocktail reception at 6PM at NJPAC, followed by dinner and the awards ceremony, and concluding with a celebratory dessert party. We invite everyone to join us for dinner, to honor the awardees, and to enjoy an evening of networking in support of the work of NJISJ. You may wish to take a table, invite colleagues, friends and family or purchase a single ticket for \$500. In addition, everyone is invited to take an ad in our tribute journal to register your personal expression of congratulations.

Established in 1999 by the Alan V. and Amy Lowenstein Foundation, the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice provides a dynamic and independent voice for change necessary to create just, vibrant and inclusive urban communities throughout New Jersey.

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