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Annie Malone Kicks It Off With A Sizzle

St. Louis, MO – Annie Malone Children & Family Service Center is firing up the grill for its kickoff event to its annual May Day activities. This year's events will begin with a barbecue at Kiener Plaza in downtown St. Louis Friday, April 27.

The entire St. Louis community is our invited guest for this annual event. Barbecue ribs, rib tips, chicken wings, polish sausages and hot dogs will be on the grill with spaghetti and potato salad as the sides. Music will also be on site to complete the event.

Dr. Alvin Sams, co-chair for the barbecue, said, "We're counting on the participation of everyone to help us to raise awareness and funds for our programs and activities. We are inviting all of St. Louis to lunch."

The Kickoff Barbecue is followed by a list of other exciting events in celebration of May Day this year. Our Community Fair in the historic Ville neighborhood will be Saturday, May 5, 2007. The Fair will include health screening opportunities, activities for children and barbecue for all. There is a special invitation to former residents and staff of Annie Malone, former students and workers of Poro College, former students and workers of Lincoln Law School, and business owners with offices located in Poro College. We're asking all who are interested in supporting Annie Malone to come. The Soiree, an awards banquet honoring those who have given significant service to children, will be Friday, May 18, 2007, at the beautiful Chase Park Plaza Hotel. The Gospel Celebration will follow on Saturday, May 19 at Antioch Baptist Church. The parade, May 20, will travel along Market Street between Jefferson and Broadway in downtown St. Louis. Immediately following the Parade, the McDonald's May Day Blues Fest with Denise Thimes and DeAndre Perryman, of American Idol fame, will conclude the celebration. The May Day events will celebrate the theme, 'We are Family'.

The proceeds from all May Day events benefit the programs and services of Annie Malone Children & Family Service Center. For more information on May Day events and for volunteering opportunities, please contact Annie Malone at (314) 531-0120 or visit the website at www.anniemalone.com.

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