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Donelson - Hermitage



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From The Board



At the August meeting, the board approved being a pencil partner to Hermitage Elementary School (K thru 4th grades) located at 3800 Plantation Drive Hermitage, in the Hermitage Hills Subdivision. Barbara Frazier and her staff has suggested the following ideas, it is not inclusive, for this year:

Volunteers to help kick off the first day of school. We need people to direct and lead new parents to their classrooms. August 16 is the big day

Volunteer to tutor during the school year

Volunteer to help stock books in the library

Help during field day, lock-ins, and other school activities

Occasional help funding field trip buses –cost \$50.00

Someone to help us contact other resources in the neighborhood

Volunteers for after school activities such as teach chess to students one night a week, crochet lessons, and etc...

Provide small awards, prizes for students and teachers. Help conduct a career day program

Serve as guest speakers; have someone come and speak at P.T.A. meetings

Get different companies to adopt-a-classroom

Help during our Spring festival

P.E. teacher needs volunteers to help during different fitness test

Volunteer to help with the hearing screening test.

This is a great avenue to promote Leadership Donelson-Hermitage, but we will need your help to make this happen. If everyone will give an hour or two of your time when the school ask for help it will not be hard on anyone.

The Spring 2004 newsletter erroneously omitted the following board members: Joe Davis Jr, Executive Director D-H Chamber, Doug Gold, president of D-H Chamber; non-board appointments: Peter Whalen, Chaplain and Michael Mills, Legal.

We apologize for the omission.



Notes From the Director

Excitement, Change, Forward Movement and Networking! All great ways to describe the wonderful things going on with Leadership Donelson Hermitage this Fall!

Excitement - Our web site, www.leadershipdh.com is up and running! The only tab not active yet is the Alumni Directory, and we are working to get it online soon. Please check it out and let us know what you think! I love the new logo - an updated version of the original logo

drawn by Phil Ponder. And, most exciting is that folks can access our applications online. Our thanks to Letha Edwards, Class of 2004 and her staff at Big Mean Kitty for the fabulous job on our web site.

Change - We have just started a new class year - the Class of 2005 (the best class yet, or so they tell me, as always each class strives to outdo the last)! We are changing the program days to include leadership skills training as well as group development training. All skills they can use not only in Leadership, but in their businesses and with other organizations they are involved with. The program we are using is 21st Century Leadership. I recently completed facilitators training for this exciting program. Please give me a call or e-mail me if you have any questions about this great new opportunity for LDH.

Forward Movement - The 2004-05 Board of Directors will participate in the first Board Retreat on September 17. We will take the opportunity to present the new training program in a condensed version to the board as well as discussing upcoming issues and brainstorming ways to make our programs more successful.

Networking - The annual TACL (Tennessee Association of Community Leaders) meeting will take place in Jackson, TN on October 13 - 16. I will be attending to network with Leadership Directors and Board Members from across the state. This conference always proves to be a great use of my time. Many great ideas

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will be shared and I am sure we can share some of our great ideas with them.

Keep in touch with each other and promote our programs! Give me a call if I can assist you in any way. **Have a great Fall!**

Deann Bradford,
Executive Director



We welcome the Class 2005 which include: Monty Burgess, Metropolitan Nashville Airport; Leighton Bush, Bush Insurance Company; Ashley Cottrell, Hermitage Golf Course; Cherylyn Cuthbertson, DayStar Lending; Joycelyn Dale, DayStar Lending; Shain Dennison, Metro Parks/Greenways Division; John Doerge, Deloitte & Touche; David Ewing, Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce; Carole Fox, Regions Bank; Jeff Halfacre, Top Shelf Catering; Robbie Jones, The Hermitage; Ted Jones, Summit Medical Center; Dan Kane, Wilson Bank & Trust; John Levesque, First Tennessee Bank; Duane McGray, Metropolitan

Nashville Airport Authority; Patsy Purcell, Summit Medical Center; Bobby Rosenblum, Francis Lusky Promotions; Dorcas Shelfield, Opry Mills; Phyllis Talley, Wal-Mart; Jamey Taylor, Davidson County Sheriff's Office; Dianne Turner, Attorney; Thomas Wescott, Spectrum Financial Solutions.



Spotlight On Alumni

Young at heart, Rev. Peter Whalen celebrated 65 years of life in July. Class of 2001 graduate, Peter is currently serving as Chaplin, a non-elected position on the Board of Directors.

Pastor of St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Donelson for the past sixteen years, Peter and his family came to Tennessee from Texas. He and his wife Barbara are the proud parents of two children, Christi and Christopher.

As clergy, Peter considers it a gift from the community to serve in Donelson. "Leadership is a chance for me to give back and service the wider needs of the

community," Peter said. "It is an opportunity to help others to grow and develop...to be able to take on responsibility and change to make the communities better."

Stephanie Randolph '00



Relay For Life

Relay for Life Team a Big Success!

On June 25-26, Leadership Donelson Hermitage participated in Relay for Life, a twelve-hour relay event which benefits the American Cancer Society. More than a dozen Leadership participants and alumni played an active role on the team, Cruisin' for Leadership. It was a long night...but a fun one. While at least one member of the team was on the track at all times during the night, the remaining Leadership supporters sold popcorn and drinks, played video games and watched classic movies. Cruisin' for Leadership raised nearly \$4,000 for the American Cancer Society. Thanks to all of you for your support!

Laura Smith '03

Amy Hudson '04