



Leadership Donelson-Hermitage

From The Board



Leadership Donelson-Hermitage Board for 2005-2006 are: John Stone Jr. (2002), President; Kelly Milam (2003), President Elect; Sharon Midgett (2002), Secretary; Melinda Finaly (2003), Treasurer; Phyllis Williams (2000), Immediate Past President; Deann Bradford (1999), Executive Director; Linda McCullouch (2000), Alumni Chair; Steve Isbister (2004), Finance Chair; Danny Kellum (2002), Transportation Chair; Jane Schnelle (1999), Marketing/Public Relations Chair; Vince Huth (2004), Program Chair; Buddy Wootten (2004), Retreat/Project Chair; Kim Ferguson (2000), Recruitment Chair; Gloria Coleman (2002), Scholarship Chair; Laura Smith Tidwell (2003), Selection Chair; Wayne Tucker (2004), Youth Chair. Chamber Representatives are Joe Davis (2002), Gene Ward and John Bennett (2001).

The following are committee assignments: Patsy Purcell (2005), Health & Welfare; Celeste Stein (2004) Diversity & Religion; Dan Kane (2005) Sports; Dianne Turner, (2005), Criminal Justice; Rob Sasser (2003), Education; David Ewing (2005), Arts & Entertainment; Floyd Shechter (2000), Transportation & Business; Leighton Bush (2005), Government & Media; Mary Ann Angle (2002), Youth Healthcare; J. D. Rottero (2004), Youth

Diversity; Robbie Jones (2005), Youth Arts & Entertainment; JA Bucy (2001) Youth Government; and Tom Wescott (2005), Youth Life Skills.

The Board meets the first Wednesday of each month.



From The President

During the seventh year of Leadership Donelson-Hermitage, I have enjoyed serving as your President. The Board has achieved the following during this year:

- Adopted Hermitage Elementary as a Pencil Partner
- Developed job descriptions
- Opened a new Leadership office with the help from 2005 project team AJ's Finest
- Fundraiser, Heart of Music City throw
- Held 1st Board retreat
- Sponsored Education Day with the D-H Chamber
- Donation to D-H Chamber for new location
- Alumni dues increased
- Bi-Laws updated
- Leadership web site-up and running
- Leadership web site linked to D-H Chamber web site.

Our involvement in the Community has been;

- American Cancer Society—Relay for Life

- Harvest Moon Festival
- Christmas Parade
- Adopt-a-Highway
- Over 50% alumni attended the Star Spangle Salute
- Adopt a pig for Donelson Senior Center BBQ
- Welcome Signs to Donelson & Hermitage installed
- (2003 project team D-H Signers for the Future)

Thanks to the Board and everyone who helped make Donelson-Hermitage a great community.

Phyllis Williams,
Class of 2000



We welcome the Class 2006 which include: Amy Downey, DuPont

Hadley Middle School; Toni Beard, Red Hat Honeys; Caroline Carlisle, Caroline Carlisle Consulting; Tracey Cleveland, American Standard Companies; Denise Colon, Tulip Grove Elementary School; Sonya Flanagan-Ensign, Int'l Academy of Design & Technology; Dot Ewing, Retired Metro School Teacher; Lucy Foutch, Regions Bank; Randy Frey, SN Servicing Corporation; Courtney Gover, Dye Van Mol and Lawrence; Desha Hearn, Donelson Christian Academy; Christy Kipp, Re/Max Elite; Patti Leach, The Hermitage; Lynne Lowrance, Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority; Michael McDaniel, The Community Foundation; Dennis Mitchell, First Tennessee Bank; Kaine Riggan, Senior Center for the Arts; Patty Sulli-

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first class

Orientation: Aug 23
Retreat Cookout: Sept 27

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vant, Deloitte; Betsy Talley, Metro Nashville Davidson County; John Taylor, Davidson County Sheriff's Office; Brian Tilton, NAI Mathews Partners; Kay Tobe, Wilson Bank & Trust; Randy Wall, Sys-Logic LLC; Jeff Whitehorn, Summit Medical Center; Doug Wolfe, Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority; Brad Young, First Tennessee Bank.



Notes From the Director

What a fun Spring! Leadership continues to grow and flourish in our community!

The Donelson Senior Center donated office space to Leadership - and the icing on the cake - the Class of 2005's **AJ's Finest** remodeled the space and made it into a first class office! It is perfect - if you did not make the ribbon cutting on May 11th and have not seen it - please come by sometime. Just remember to call to see if I will be there - as you know I'm out in the community most of the time!

The Alumni Lunch and meeting on May 11 was a huge success! Thanks to Paula Milton, Alumni Chair and her committee!

They were able to get the largest crowd ever and raise enough money with a silent auction to pay for the lunch! The Nominating Committee slate of officers was approved (see the new Board list in this newsletter) and a vote was taken to raise the dues to \$50 a year starting with the upcoming dues statement you will receive in July. In addition, we got to see folks we have not seen in quite a while! Let's stay in touch and keep the equation Bob Taylor taught us in focus **R = P (Relationships = Productivity)**.

And speaking of Bob Taylor - he was our Key Note Speaker for Graduation! Bob offered his "Coat of Arms" which we have all asked him to do for years. His remarks were touching and inspiring! He reminded us that "**The Main Thing is to keep the Main Thing the Main Thing!**" We will miss seeing him at retreat, Bob is moving on to great things with his new web based training company. More info is available on his new website at www.careercurrency.com.

I know many of you have stayed in touch with Bob - please continue to do so - he is a friend to our community and to our program! If you were not

at Graduation, we presented Bob with Honorary Membership in Leadership Donelson/Hermitage, a Phil Ponder framed print, a LDH Heart of Music City Throw and our love. He was - in his words - "**speechless!**"

I have been blessed this spring to be invited to two Class reunion lunches! The Class of 2003 had a great turnout of 12 classmates on May 25 at Ellendale's. The Class of 2000 met on June 15 also at Ellendale's with 9 in attendance. I know the Class of 2002 has lunch together quite often - I encourage you to get together with your class and keep the magic going! Please let us know if you have a Class lunch or function - and take a few pictures - we'll put them on the website!

I know you all have great ideas and suggestions - please pass them along! We embrace change and want to keep our programs fresh and new! You will all be contacted soon regarding committee responsibility for next year - I look forward to working with each of you to make the year **GREAT for the Class of 2006!**

Have a wonderful Summer and stay in touch!

Deann Bradford,
Executive Director