



Leader's Edge

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**May
15**

**LNH graduation
of 13th class**

Program: 2007-2008 class graduation as well as presentation of both the John E. Pickelman LNH Fellow Award and the LNH Distinguished Leader Award.

Support: For tickets and sponsorships, call 832-813-6623.



'Lucky 13' project beautifies Telge Park

The community service project for this year's 2007-2008 "Lucky 13" Class of Leadership North Houston was a northwest beautification and preservation effort along Cypress

Creek, and more specifically, Telge Park.

The class raised approximately \$7,000 to purchase materials and supplies with large donations from Caldwell Companies, Jane Strong,

class member and Cy-Fair Federal Credit Union. Steve Garceau, owner of Spring Nursery & Landscape and LNH Board member, donated a crew of

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It's graduation time for all our leaders - president invites support of all alumni

Spring is in the air and flowers are blooming all around us. It also means that all our new leaders - high school, college and community - will be blossoming as they finish their respective leadership programs.

Our Leadership High School Class, which consists of participants from area high schools will be graduating April 5, while the Collegiate Leadership Institute

Certificate Ceremony and Lunch, which consists college students across the Lone Star College System, will be held April 18.

Our current Leadership North Houston Class (Lucky 13) will complete their 10-month program May 15. The graduation ceremony will take place at Shirley Acres at 6 p.m., so please mark your calendar and join us to show your support for

the new graduating class.

The evening will consist not only of our graduating class but presentation of the John E. Pickelman LNH Fellow Award honoring a community leader and the LNH Distinguished Leader Award. Attending the graduation celebration is a wonderful opportunity to show support for the class, network

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Alumni Accolades

Rev. Justin Lindstrom (class of 2007) with Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church is the newest member of the Leadership North Houston Alumni Association board of directors. Congratulations also for his church which began worship in February 2003 in his home, moved to Lamkin Elementary School and then Arnold Middle School before moving in January 2008 to the new facility at 13131 Fry Road.

Shelia Redmon-Jones (class of 2005) with the Greenspoint District is the Federation of Houston Professional Women's Woman of Excellence for the Greenspoint Chapter of the American Business Women's Association.

Susan Dietz (class of 2005) is the Greenspoint ABWA's Top 10 candidate nominee for the national ABWA's Top 10 Woman of the Year.

Colleen Gilligan Gilbert (class of 2006) began serving as Field Director for Congressman Michael T. McCaul of the 10th Congressional District in January 2008, covering the eastern portion of the district—Harris, Waller, Washington and Austin counties.



Rev. Justin Lindstrom



Shelia Redmon-Jones

Several alumni who work in the Lone Star College System received service awards at the February banquet including:

20 years - **Elizabeth Chapman** (class of 2000), **Diane Blanco** (class of 1997) and **Ray Laughter**

10 years - **Brian Dooley** (class of 2005), **Katherine Miller** (class of 2000) , **Andre Perez** (class of 2002) and, **Larry Rideaux** (class of 2007)

5 years - **John O'Malley** (class of 2005) and **Deana Sheppard** (class of 2007) .

"Lucky 13" and alumni volunteer to improve community park



"Lucky 13" class members raised some \$7,000 for this beautification project , of which more than half was in at least \$100 donations from the class members for personalized pave stones.



LNHA Alumni January luncheon features Dr. Richard Carpenter

Drawing a record attendance with 78 business leaders in the audience at the Jan. 28 LNHA luncheon was **Dr. Richard Carpenter**, Lone Star College System Chancellor.

He shared a wealth of information on the system as well as three of his 31 initiatives including administrative cost containment, e-college and corporate college.

Among some of the interesting facts shared were: LSCS has added 24,000 students since bonds were approved in 2000, expects to reach 72,000 credit students by 2015 and is adding 5,000 students every 24 months – the equivalent of a medium size Texas college. LSCS has also cut its overall tax rate six times since 1997.

The next bond election is May 10 and LSCS has a \$420 million with no increase in the tax rate. For information, go to LoneStar.edu/bond2008.



Joining Dr. Carpenter, center, are Brian Dooley, LNHA board of director, at left, and Phyllis Oustifine, current LNHA president.

Get public education update with school superintendents panel

Join the alumni for a Public Education Update Panel Discussion at the next alumni luncheon Monday, April 14.

The panel will feature area independent school district superintendents including Dr. Ralph Draper of Spring ISD, Dr. Guy Sconzo of Humble ISD, Dr. David Anthony of Cy-Fair ISD, Dr. Jim Cain of Klein ISD and Dr. Archie Blanson, Deputy

Supt. for Aldine ISD.

The luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Greenspoint Club. The cost is \$25 payable by check or cash at the door. The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, April 8.

For reservations, call 832-813-6665 or e-mail anita.c.furr@LoneStar.edu.

“Lucky 13” class is making a difference along Cypress Creek

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workers to get the site ready. Ari Fleitman, class member, donated his engineering expertise for design and organization work. Alisha Roberts, class member, chaired the committee for the class.

There is a multi-year project involving the renovation/restoration of sites along north Houston's Cypress Creek. This year's class helped with one of the early initiatives, a new rest area with

benches and educational signage.

So armed with gloves, rakes, tree trimmers, shovels, water and mosquito repellent, "Lucky 13" class members and other LNH alumni (such as Phyllis Oustifine class of 1999, Diane Newman class of 1999, Roy Garcia class of 2007 and Kelly Ann Norton, class of 2002) volunteered for the work day March 29. For full story, go to LoneStar.edu. See photo collage on page 2.

President encourages alumni to recruit 2008-2009 applicants

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with old friends and support the LNHA's scholarship program. We have sponsorship opportunities available and tickets for purchase.

For information on any of the graduations, call Cathy Owen's office at 832-813-6623.

We also need to think about the next Leadership North Houston Class. Please think of fellow employees, friends and family members

who will benefit from participating in this program. Applications are now available and must be submitted by June 1, 2008.

The Leadership North Houston Alumni Board invites you to participate in our activities throughout the year and give us your feedback. Our goal is to create activities and events that you will enjoy and encourage others to attend. Together we can continue the tradition of our program so plan to join us.

Leadership North Houston Alumni

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Leadership North Houston Alumni Association Mission

The mission of Leadership North Houston Alumni Association is to encourage the on-going development of LNH graduates through community service participation and strong leader to leader relationships. Building on the momentum of Leadership North Houston, the Alumni Association ensures that graduates continue expanding their leadership skills and remain committed to improving their communities.

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