



Leader's Edge

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LNH kicks off 13th class of future great leaders with orientation and fall retreat

The newest Leadership North Houston (LNH) class, with 34 participants, kicked off the 2007 program with an August orientation with alumni from the previous 12 classes and a two-day September retreat.

"What I want to get out of Leadership North Houston is to learn more about the community and how I can give back to the community. It is also a great opportunity to get to network and develop relationships with fellow classmates and members," said Tom DeScioli, manager at Amegy Bank.

Working for a



non-profit, Melissa Lombard knows the impact one person can make. "The way our clients' faces light up when they see a volunteer come in the classroom is priceless. So I am excited to have an opportunity to learn more about the various agencies that make our community work and seeing how I can be a

part," she said.

Now during the next 10 months, the class will participate in outings covering a wide-range of topics including: education, government, the legal system, health and human services and cultural diversity.

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Looking ahead ...



**October
15**

LNHA luncheon

Dr. Kenneth Mattox, Chief of Staff at Ben Taub Hospital, speaks on Health Care Challenges and how area leaders can address the issues.

RSVPS due by Oct. 10 to anita.c.furr@nhmccd.edu.

Presidents' perspectives on new year

I am proud to take over as president of the Leadership North Houston Alumni Association this year.

The LNH program is something I strongly believe in and the alumni organization is designed to maintain the strong leader to leader relationships

among its graduates. Hats off to Angila Ervin for her leadership this last year. We have had an extremely successful year.

The Alumni Board recently met for their retreat and established some great goals for this next year to continue improving

our program.

The Membership committee plans to increase dues by 10%, set up credit card processing, increase overall memberships and create a LNHA Business Card Template for paid alumni.

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LNH Alumni Board – new leadership, new faces, new year



This board is not bored!

The 2007-2008 Leadership North Houston Alumni Executive Board includes from left, Treasurer Angel Collins, President Phyllis Oustifine, Immediate Past President Angila Ervin, Vice President Pat Boullion and Secretary Connie Maxfield.



Fresh faces are fantastic!

Joining the LNH Alumni board of directors are Eric Yates (class of 2007), from left, Regina Curry (class of 2007), and Brian Dooley (class of 2005) The goal is to have each class represented on this 20-member alumni board each year. Who will be next? For a complete list of directors and contact information go to www.leadershipnorthhoustonalumni.org



Doing the wave!

Continuing a **wave of excitement** (a theme of the LNHA board retreat) are Robert Thomas, from left, Phyllis Oustifine, Brian Dooley and Angila Ervin, who are planning this year's luncheons (covering health care, economic development and education), alumni mixers and the 13th class graduation. Watch for upcoming e-mails on event details or check the web

Fall calendar of events

Monday, Oct. 15 - 11:30 a.m. at Guest House Inn and Suites, 125 Airtex: **Dr. Kenneth Mattox**, Chief of Staff at Ben Taub Hospital, will speak on current Health Care Challenges and what community leaders can do to address the issues. Cost is \$25. RSVP by Oct. 10 to anita.c.furr@nhmccd.edu.

Saturday, Oct. 27– Sunday, Oct. 28 – at YMCA Camp Pine Tree on Riley Fuzzel Road: **Chaperones are needed** (particularly men) for the Leadership North Houston High School Retreat. For information, contact Cathy Owen at 832-813-6623.

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.

Leadership North Houston Program Sponsors

Leadership North Houston is sponsored by the Acres Home Citizens Chamber of Commerce, Community Chamber of Commerce, Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce, Humble Area Chamber of Commerce, Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce, North Harris Montgomery Community College District, North Houston Association, North Houston Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater Tomball Area Chamber of Commerce.

Alumni Board President Messages — past and present

A Big Thanks to our Leadership North Houston Alumni Board for a great year and another Big Thanks to our Alumni Association for the continued support of the LNH program.

The impact of LNH Alumnus continues to be strong and grows with each year of the

Angila Ervin — Past President

program.

The Board had many fine accomplishments in 2006-2007 and they are listed below:

1. Creation of LNH Website
2. Push card for our marketing efforts

3. Three unique luncheons and one powerful graduation

4. A fun and meaningful community project with Aldine Y.O.U.T.H.

5. Exceeding membership and fundraising goals

6. Giving over \$6,000 in scholarships to Leadership North Houston and Leadership High School.

I look forward to serving you again as past president of the alumni association and I am also very excited for our new alumni association president Phyllis Oustifine. She has many wonderful ideas and will continue with strong leadership for the alumni board in 2007-2008 on our mission to help others in our community.

13th LNH Class - the newest “best class” is now under way

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this new class are also invited to attend events the LNH Alumni Association hosts throughout the year, such as luncheons, seminars and a community service project.

Upon graduation, class members can continue their leadership development and community impact as an

alumni member.

Members of the 2007-2008 class are Lisa Andersen, Mario Berry, Johanna Boley, Thomas Buske, Craig Day, Janel Dehnart, Tom DeScioli, Cindy Doyle, Marty Edwards, Ari Fleitman, Ami Foster, Rita Fryer, Angie Gentry, Steve Lestarjette, Melissa Lombard, Anna Martin, Leslie Martone,

Michael McFrazier, Woody Mitchell, Janine Moore, Art Murillo, Lisa Niccum, Michael Ott, Randy Parr, Corinn Price, Alisha Roberts, Heather Rosplock, Milton Schopper, Kathleen Scott, Angela Sheffield, Jane Strong, Abdul Tamimi, Khristene Walker and Eric Wildman.

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story ideas to
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Oustifine takes helm of alumni board

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The Community Project committee plans to develop a signature service project and create a long-range plan.

The Marketing committee has already updated the LNHA information push card and have you noticed the new look that our newsletter has? Special THANKS to Kelly Norton for giving our newsletter a new face lift. The committee also plans to update and enhance our web site to be an information source for various constituents.

The Event committee plans to hold three

luncheons (promoting leading and learning) in October, January and April and a fall and summer mixer. They will also plan the graduation celebration for the current class.

It is such a pleasure to work with a dynamic board of directors. Please plan on supporting the events we have planned for this year. Our committees can always use dedicated volunteers so just let us know where you would like to share your time and talents.

Let's show the community what Leadership North Houston is all about!



Houston NW Chamber Friends

Several Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce friends catch up at LNH orientation. From left are Regina Curry, with Spring ISD; Craig Day, of Fitness Together; Milton Schopper of Caldwell Companies; Alisha Roberts, Director of Marketing and Special Events at the chamber; Cindy Doyle with Spring ISD; and Woody Mitchell of Pct. 4 Constables.

LNH Board President Messages — past and present

It has been an honor and a true joy to serve as board chair for Leadership North Houston this past year.

Working with representatives from our sponsoring organizations and Cathy Owen to continue to make it the best leadership program around has been so rewarding.

I especially enjoyed my opportunities to get out and speak to different groups about the program, as it is something I believe in

Kim McCully — Current President

We have announced a new Leadership Class for 2007-2008 and not only wish good luck to the new class, but look forward to hearing how your year progresses.

The LNH Board of Directors, made up of two representatives from each of the program's 9 sponsoring organizations, looked at ways to keep the leadership program fresh and set great goals for the year. We will focus on updating the literature and media for LNH, and benchmark the best practices of other leadership programs. We also plan to expand and organize the non-profit organization list created to provide board members and volunteers for non-profit organizations in our community. At our recent

Jill Boullion — Past President

as passionately as the day I graduated in 2004.

The board focused this year on recruiting within some of our area's larger companies. We created target lists from each chamber area and sent letters and program information. I am happy to say we were successful in recruiting class members from some of these companies and I know the board wants to con-

tinue this effort into the next year.

We also welcomed our chamber executives to one of our meetings this year. They are a great source of support for our program

and a key to identifying those in our community who are potential leaders.

A big "thank you" to my board of directors and a "good luck" to Kim McCully as she directs us this year. I know it will be a great year and I look forward to helping the program attain its goals!



Leading the way in 2007-2008

This year's LNH Board is from left in front: Jill Boullion, Barbara Thomason, President Kim McCully and Mike Waites. From left in back are: Elaine Chrisman, Lowell Little, Michael Strong, Linda Stegall, Andy Dill, Phyllis Oustifine, Keith Edwards, Steve Garceau, Debra Harper and Cindy Gilliam. Not pictured are Jerry Martin, Bruce Wise, Keith Silas, Jerry Lowry and Jocklynn Keville.

Alumni accolades

- ◆ The Small Business Development Center at North Harris Montgomery Community College District has announced the finalists for the 2007 Small Business of the Year Awards which include **Jill and Pat Boullion** (class of 2004 and 2006) with Boullion Graphics **Margaret Eyster** (class of 2005) with Magoo's PrintShop, **Gail Schubot** (class of 1999) attorney at law **Kathleen Scott** (class of 2008) with Serve Pro Sprin
- ◆ The Federation of Houston Professional Women honored 41 women citywide with the Woman of Excellence Award, once-in-a-lifetime honor, including **Susan Dietz** (class of 2005) with Whitney Bank.

Submit accolades to Kelly Ann Norton
at Kelly.a.norton@nhmccd.edu

Leadership North Houston Alumni

Special Recognition for the 2007-2008 Contributors

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It's never too late to show some financial support of LNH

The 2007-2008 dues structure is as follows for Leadership North Houston Alumni.

LNH Alumni Investor \$500 and up

Includes Honorary LNH Alumni Board position, recognition in all LNH printed materials and at all events

LNH Alumni Partner \$200- \$499

Recognition in all LNH printed materials and at all events

LNH Alumni Associate \$100-\$199

Recognition in all LNH printed materials

LNH Alumni Member \$25- \$99

Member and Associate level will be recognized at all alumni functions.

All contributor levels have full LNH Alumni membership privileges.

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