



Leader's Edge

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New LNH class orientation

Reminder: **It's time to renew your membership** at \$25-\$99, or contributor levels of Associate \$100-\$199, Partner \$200-\$499 and Investor \$500. See page 4.



Congrats "Lucky Class 13" graduates!!

It was a very memorable evening for the more than 200 attendees at the Leadership North Houston's 13th graduation celebration and awards event held Thursday, May 15 at Shirley Acres.

Wrapping up the 10-month program, the class voted **Alisha Roberts** as "Most Committed Leader"; **Janine Moore** "Most Enthusiastic Leader" and **Woody Mitchell** as "Most Improved Leader."

Congratulations to all the graduates: **Lisa Andersen, Mario Berry, Johanna Boley, Thomas Buske, Craig Day, Janel Dehnart, Thomas DeScioli, Cindy Doyle,**

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Clockwise from top—class awards: "Most committed, enthusiastic and improved leaders."

LNHA President recaps wonderful year

It has truly been a pleasure to serve as President of the Leadership North Houston Alumni this past year.

I currently have a great team of board members who work hard to continue the success of the alumni program. I want

to extend my thanks to all of them for their dedication to the LNH program.

This past year has been wonderful. We have been able to increase our revenue through our membership dues - many of our graduates are even joining at a higher level

- and the LNHA newsletter has a brand new look thanks to our editor Kelly Norton.

We have also had three successful luncheons over the last few months. In October we had Dr. Ken Maddox, Chief of Staff

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LNH alumni and community celebrate area leaders

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Marty Edwards, Ari Fleitman, Ami Foster, Rita Fryer, Angela Gentry, Stephen Lestarjette, Melissa Lombard, Anna Martin, Leslie Martone, Michael McFrazier, Woody Mitchell, Janine Moore, Art Murillo, Michael Ott, Randall Parr, Corinn Price, Alisha Roberts, Heather Rosplock, Milton Schopper, Kathleen Scott, Jane Strong, Abdul Tamimi, Khristene Walker and Eric Wildman.

In addition to honoring the newest LNH alumni, the graduation celebration also included additional award presentations.

This year's recipient of the John E. Pickelman Leadership North Houston Fellow Award was **Fred Caldwell**, president and CEO of Caldwell Companies (far right in photo at right with **Ray Laughter**, LSCS, left and **Howard Decker**, class of 1998, center.) (See business profile, page 4.) The LNH Board presents this award annually to a worthy community leader who has shown outstanding leadership qualities that benefit the entire community.

The recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Community Leadership Award went to **Phyllis Oustifine** (class of 1999) of Hawes Hill Calderon, LLP and LNHA president (in center, top right photo). This award is given to an LNH alumni who has demonstrated community leadership and has the quality of empowering and inspiring others. Also nominated for the award were LNHA board of directors **Shelia Redmon-Jones** of the Greenspoint District, (left) and **Connie Maxfield** (class of 2004) of Maxfield Productivity Consultants, Inc.

The evening also included a raffle which raised more than \$1,900 in scholarships.



Distinguished Community Leadership Award



John E. Pickelman Leadership North Houston Fellow Award

“Lucky Class 13” reflects, reviews and evaluates

Leadership North Houston Lucky Class 13 participated in the final class session May 15 prior to the graduation celebration dinner and completed their community project at Cypress Creek Telge Park with a dedication ceremony. (See photos page 3)

Facilitator Robert Winter led the class through several exercises to help the class understand how their Leadership Style, learned at the retreat in August, influenced their reaction and response to the session topic objectives. This process also helped each class member reinforce what that session meant to them and how they reacted to information learned according to their personal style and

interest level.

The class then spent time evaluating and reviewing the sessions and provided their opinions and input for the session topics, content and logistics. Cathy Owen, LNH Director, led the group through this process and then closed the session with the announcement of the Class Awards nominated and selected by the class (see page 1).

The class then adjourned to participate in the celebration awards dinner, which the LNH Alumni Board hosted, to receive their LNH plaques signifying the successful completion of the 2007-2008 Leadership North Houston Class.

Alumni spread the LNH word in Cy-Fair community

This spring, alumni participated in efforts to raise more awareness about the Leadership North Houston program, particularly in the Cy-Fair area.

In March, LNH Board President **Kim McCully** (class of 2003) (left) and LNHA President **Phyllis Oustifine** (class of 1999) , share information about LNH at the Cy-Fair Express Network of American Business Women's Association 2008 Business Expo.

In May, alumni teamed up to participate in the Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce's annual Cy-Fair Ten Pin Challenge. The Leadership North Houston team, aka Leaders of the Lanes, consisted of **Pat Boullion** (class of 2006) , **Phyllis Oustifine**, **Kelly Ann Norton** (class of 2002) , **Susan Dietz** (class of 2005) and honorary member **Jay Ervin** with cheerleaders **Angila Ervin** (class of 1998) and **Jill Boullion** (class of 2004). Congratulating the LNH team on winning "Most Spirited Team" were prize sponsors Bill Anderson with Cy-Fair Lifestyles & Homes and his wife Linda (from far right.) This chamber event raises scholarship funds in Cy-Fair. More than \$1,000 in proceeds were earmarked for the Cy-Fair Express Network Endowment benefiting non-traditional women students.

This spring, **Brian Dooley** (class of 2007) with Lone Star College-North Harris has served as a co-advisor for the college's Latin American Student Organization (LASO) members. The Houston Hispanic



CYFEN Business Expo Booth



"Most Spirited Team" at Cy-Fair Ten Pin Challenge

Chamber of Commerce has an Emerging Leader Program which provides students from local colleges and university the opportunity to develop networking, and soft skills techniques which will be beneficial to them as they navigate entrance into the workforce arena. At the chamber's 15th Annual Membership/Corporate Sponsors' Luncheon and Business Expo, six students, along with their advisors, put these skills into action serving as chamber ambassadors/volunteer.

LNH's newest alumni dedicate Telge Park project



The community service project for the "Lucky 13" Class was a northwest beautification and preservation effort along Cypress Creek, and more specifically, Telge Park.

The class raised approximately \$11,000 (with in-kind donations) to purchase materials and supplies. The class will use their unspent funds for scholarships and seed money toward future community service projects.

On the March 29 work day, volunteers built a trail to the rest area now complete with two benches and laid pave stones. The official dedication was held Saturday, June 7.

Caldwell Companies - Doing it Right. Right Now.

Caldwell Companies is a fully integrated real estate services and development firm providing office, industrial, retail and land marketing; commercial and residential development; investment services; and property and asset management.

Founded in 1991, the firm is privately owned by **Fred Caldwell** and continues to serve the real estate needs of corporations, families and private equity investors. Equally important to what the firm does is how the firm does it. From the start, Caldwell Companies has been committed to doing business openly, fairly, honestly, and with a true sense of purpose and urgency. This mission of the firm is Doing it right. Right Now.

"Our vision statement best describes what we hope to achieve in our lives and in our business every day. We honor God by stewarding resources, cultivating relationships and creating extraordinary communities that enrich lives," Caldwell said.

"We believe that there are four major focuses that will help make us a company people will be proud to do business with. First, we honor God by our business practice. We understand that service to others is at the heart of serving God, so by serving customers and partners in an ethical and right way, we honor God.

"Secondly, we decided that we are to be stewards of the resources we have been given. In this regard, we view our associates, customers, financial resources and developments as opportunities to demonstrate stewardship.



"Thirdly, we are called to build relationships. Our goal will always remain to build and maintain long standing relationships.

"Finally, we believe we are called to build differentiated communities where people's lives are enriched. Whether it involves one of our commercial office developments, our residential communities or providing service to our customers, we hope that our involvement will make a difference in their lives."

Caldwell was recently named the 2008 recipient of the John E. Pickelman Leadership North Houston Fellow Award at the Leadership North Houston graduation and awards event. At the May 15 event, Caldwell Companies was a Platinum Table Sponsor. In addition, there are three LNH alumni working for Caldwell Companies including **Bill Ginder** (Class of 2002) SIOR, CCIM - Vice President Commercial Client Services; **Keith Edwards** (Class of 2006) SIOR, CCIM - Vice President Commercial Land Services and **Brian Corrison** (Class of 2007) Senior Commercial Service Provider.

Caldwell said he and his firm support LNH because the program encourages individual growth and opportunity while giving back and enriching the community in which we live and work. For information go to www.caldwellcos.com.

Time to show financial support of LNH and renew memberships

The 2008-2009 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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The Woodlands, Texas 77381

For information or for an invoice, call 832.813.6623 or e-mail cathy.owen@Lone Star.edu.

"LNH Alumni Membership dues may be tax deductible - please see your tax advisor for information."

www.leadershipnorthhoustonalumni.org

Look who's earning accolades and leading others



Jill Boullion (class of 2004) with Boullion Graphics (above in center) was named the 2008 Business Associate of the Greenspoint Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. Also nominated for the honor were **Jocklynn Keville** (class of 2002) with Greenspoint District (left) and **Margaret Eyster** (class of 2005) with Magoo's Print Shop.



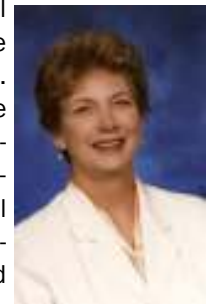
Jerry Lowry (class of 2001) with the Greenspoint District was appointed as Commissioner, State Jail Standards Commission, by Governor Rick Perry April 22, 2008 for a term ending Dec. 31, 2013. This is the policy and oversight commission of this state agency. For additional information: www.tcjs.state.tx.us.

Holly Uverity, (class of 2006) the owner of Office Organizers, has earned the designation of Certified Professional Organizer®, which is earned by organizing professionals who have met specific standards and

proven through examination and client interaction that they possess the body of knowledge and experience required for certification. This program recognizes and raises standards, practices and ethics in the organizing industry.

Carla Hamilton (class of 2007) with Capital One Bank is the new Northwest Houston District Manager. The district consists of six branches including Sterling Ridge, Tomball, Steeplechase, North Fry, Cy-Fair and Copperfield. She has held numerous positions in retail banking since 1984 including teller, relationship banker, bookkeeping and currently as Market Manager for the Tomball branch. She was also one of the first associates hired for the Houston expansion in 2003

Dr. Katherine Persson (class of 2002) with Portland Community College as President of their Rock Creek Campus since January 2006 will return to Texas to be the new Lone Star College-Kingwood President. Prior to that she worked at Lone Star College-Kingwood from 1984-2006 in variety of positions including Vice President of Educational Programs and Services, Vice President of Educational Programs and Student Development, Vice President of Educational Programs, Associate Dean of Science, Health Care and Applied Technology and Biology Instructor.



LNHA President urges alumni's active participation

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for Ben Taub Hospital, educate us on the process of preparing for the New Orleans evacuees to arrive in Houston. In January, a record audience listened to Dr. Richard Carpenter as he talked about the future of Lone Star College System. I would also like to congratulate the Lone Star College System on the passing of the bond election. In April, five superintendents from across North Houston spoke to us on about our educational system.

On March 29, the alumni joined Class 13 on their community project at Telge Park. It was a project that created a wonderful addition to the park and truly is something to be proud of now and in the future.

The graduation banquet for Class 13 was held May 15 at Shirley Acres with more than 200 guests in attendance and helping the alumni raise

several thousand dollars for scholarships. We presented Fred Caldwell with the John E. Pickelman Fellow Award and I was honored to receive the Distinguished Community Leader Award. I would like to thank our banquet chairman, Howard and Nanci Decker and Susan Deitz and all of the committee members for all of their hard work in planning this banquet.

As this year winds down and we prepare for this next alumni year, I ask each of you to plan to take an active role as an alumni. Pay your dues, attend the luncheons, serve on a committee and participate in the community project.

As graduates of the 13 "Best Classes" you have proven your dedication to the Leadership North Houston Program. Let's continue to take an active role in our communities!

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.

Leadership North Houston Program Sponsors

Leadership North Houston is sponsored by the African American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Houston, Community Chamber of Commerce, Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce, Humble Area Chamber of Commerce, Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce, Lone Star College System, North Houston Association, North Houston Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater Tomball Area Chamber of Commerce.