

LEADER READER

A Message from our President:



Karen Seel '91
President

Dear Leadership Friends,

Engagement, Education, Enthusiasm, Energetic, and Enjoyable – this describes the official kick-off of the Class of 2012, the Strategic Planning done by your Board, and all of the Leadership Pinellas volunteers involved with making this Class the best ever and this year the best ever! My most sincere thanks to all.

Enthusiasm: As discussed in Judy's briefs (page 4), we had a terrific retreat with the Class of 2012. Please join me in thanking **Debbie White '95, Judy Siracusa '95, Pat Siracusa '97, Georgetta Doyle '05, Stephanie Smith '10** and all of the skit presenters- you all were superlative. Debbie, Judy, and Pat have been organizing, planning, and delivering the kick off retreat since 1995 – that's dedication! DISC profiles were a big hit – Judy's acting and presentations helped the Class of 2012 understand their personalities - Lots of "D" and "I" – it will fun to watch the interaction. I must say that we all saw boundless enthusiasm -....

There was a big turnout by our alumni at the retreat social – the best in many years. Many class members remarked how much they enjoyed meeting the alumni.

Education: If you have not replied yet, please do – our Speaker's Series is on September 7th with Doug Van Dyke. I have heard that Doug is the best and not to be missed....

Thanks to **Margaret Martin '04** and **Melissa Allen '01** for planning this educational event.

September 14th is the first class – Human Services Day. Special thanks to Program Day Coordinators: **Laura Brock '11, Duggan Cooley '07, Brenda Green '07, Lisa Matzner '11, Kim Praitano '10, and Lynn Whittle '11!** They have visits scheduled for the RCS Food Bank, Lighthouse of Pinellas, Homeless Emergency Project, PACE School for Girls, and Pinellas Hope. The Class will certainly gain an appreciation for the work of these wonderful not for profits and all the people they help in Pinellas County.

Alumni – please come join the Class at Pappas Ranch on Gulf to Bay at 5:30.

Enjoyable: Come join us in a private party just for Leadership Pinellas at the Dunedin Brewery! Zombie Boogie is being chaired by **Deborah Kynes '89.** It's going to be a Halloween Happening on Sunday, October 30th. Hope to see you there!

Nermine Rubin '09 is working on another American Stage in the Park gathering for us. This year, they are performing the Rocky Horror Picture Show - Stay tuned....

Leslie Viens '02 is working on a Scavenger Crawl – Stay tuned..... **Ed Halleran '03** is working on a Washington DC trip – Stay tuned.....

Engagement: We want YOU – our alumni – to be engaged! An Ambassador Committee, chaired by **Nick DiCeglie '11** along with **Mary David '11, Beth Gettig '11, Holle Kier '11, Micah Maxwell '11, and Gretchen Mitchell '11** has already met and has terrific ideas.

But first, they want to invite YOU to become involved. They are seeking at least 2 members from each past year – starting in 1978 – to meet soon. Please e-mail Nick at solarsan@msn.com if you are interested.

Energetic: That's us!

Hope to see you on September 7th!

Karen

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Help Fill The "Members On The Move" Space. Please Send Any News On Our Membership

Please submit information on "Members on the Move" to judy@leadershippinellas.com by September 27, 2011 to be included in the next Issue of the Leader Reader. Photos are welcome. Include a .jpg or .pdf file of your photo for inclusion

Volunteer Organization Spotlight Of The Month

We would like to make this a monthly feature of our *Leader Reader* as space permits. So, if you have a suggestion for a future issue, please submit it to Judy Mullican, Executive Director, judy@leadershippinellas.com or mail it to Leadership Pinellas, P. O. Box 5986, Clearwater, FL 33758-5986. Deadline for the next issue is September 27, 2011.

A Special Thank You

A very special thank you to **Judy Siracusa '95, Debbie White'95, Pat Siracusa '97 and Georgetta Doyle '05** for all their hard work and efforts in making this year's Class of 2012 Retreat a great success, and a special thank you to all the Alumni that attended the Social to meet the new Class of 2012. You are all what is great about Leadership Pinellas. I'd also like to add my special thank you to **Stephanie Smith '10** for her help at the check-in tables and in handing out directories

Please keep checking the events on our Website: www.leadershippinellas.com
 For any updated info on our planned events.

PROGRAM DAY SCHEDULE

August 26-27, 2011.....Opening Retreat
 September 14, 2011.....Human Services
 October 12, 2011.....Education
 November 09, 2011.....Business /Technology
 December 14, 2011.....Government /Media
 January 11, 2012.....Health
 February 8, 2012.....Arts / Culture
 February 26-28, 2012.....Tallahassee Trip
 April 11, 2012.....Environment / Infrastructure
 May 09, 2012.....Criminal Justice
 May 12, 2012.....Graduation/Annual Meeting

From the Desk of:



Judy Mullican,
Executive Director



Hello All,

Wow! What a great weekend. The Retreat went well and the Class of 2012 has been thoroughly initiated into Leadership Pinellas and are ready to begin what appears to be an awesome year. We had a turnout at the Retreat Social of approximately 130 attendees. Great job all. The skits were well received and I believe there was a 2-way tie for first place: Tallahassee and Health Day.

The class has selected two class photographers, Dawn Scott and Kim Kaszuba; and the class reporter is Jackie Dryden. Thanks to all three for stepping up to the plate for this.

Judy and Pat Siracusa did their usual fabulous job of putting on the Retreat. Judy and her "girls" were awesome. Debbie White made a great choice in picking the Marriott on Sand Key to hold the weekend's events. And who could forget Georgetta Doyle and her "massive" job of herding cats, I mean, keeping the skits presenters in line and moving along smoothly. Also, I'd like to add my special thanks to **Stephanie Smith '10** for helping me at my check-in tables. Everyone enjoyed being able to watch the skits this year and we plan to continue that in the future. The evaluations from the class were all positive.

Next up for the class is Human Services Day on September 14th. We will again have the end of the day meet and greet once the class returns from their day. Be sure to note that this year the location is different. The bus will be meeting the class in the parking lot of Pappas Ranch Restaurant (the old Bennigans) on Gulf to Bay across the street from Clearwater Mall, 2630 Gulf to Bay Blvd, Clearwater. The bus is slated to arrive at 5:30 this year, but for Human Services Day, they will be arriving at 4:30. Please plan to attend the meet and greet and show your support for the new class. One of the things that comes out in the evaluations is the enthusiasm shown by the Alumni.

Be sure to check page 9 in this issue regarding our upcoming Zombie Boogie event on Sunday, October 30th. It is replacing the Pre-Holiday Happening in an attempt to make it easier for you to attend since so much goes on during the Holiday Season. Please plan to attend and make this event a huge success. Deborah Kynes '89 has been working very hard to make this event special.

Also, there is still time for you to RSVP to attend our first speaking event featuring Doug Van Dyke: Where: Margarete Heye Great Room – Ruth Eckerd Hall, When: 5:30 – 6:30 Cocktail Buffet with Cash Bar 6:30 – 8:30 Doug Van Dyke. Cost: \$25 – Leadership Members, \$35 – Guests

Reserve your spot today: www.LeadershipPinellas.com

Thanks
Judy



Alumni Activity

One of the advantages to being a member of the Leadership Pinellas Alumni is the access it gives you to unique people and places. We are exploring the possibility of a trip to Cuba. We would like to offer a small scale tour with a host/escort that would allow travelers to stay in 4/5 star hotels and include meals. Also included would be ground transportation, domestic flights in Cuba (where required) all entry fees and professional guides services. The entire tour would be approximately seven nights and would include Havana and other cities in Cuba. It would give Leadership Pinellas Alumni an opportunity to see firsthand coming challenges to both the business and political community. Prices would probably be between \$3,000 - \$3,500. If you are interested let me know.

Jack St. Arnold '91

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Welcome Class of 2012

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CLASS OF 2012 RETREAT, AUGUST 26-27, 2011

Submitted by **Jackie Dryden '12**

Lots and lots and lots of red and green dots, a handful of yellow ones, and just a couple of blue. *What does this mean?* Well, according to the DISC behavioral profile, Leadership Pinellas Class of 2012 is full of Dominant (reds) and Influential (greens) people. So, *what can we expect from this Class?* A determined and ambitious group who likes to have lots of fun! Of course, this will be tempered by our Conscientious (yellows) and Stable (blues) folks who will rein in this boundless energy and provide a bit of diplomacy and consistency. *The final result?* THE BEST CLASS EVER!

The Class of 2012 gathered together for its retreat at the Marriot Beach Clearwater Beach Sand Key to meet their “new best friends” and to learn more about the exciting year in store for us. We were graciously welcomed by **Judy Siracusa '95**, her partner-in-crime **Pat Siracusa '97**, and **Debbie White '95**. Then **Karen Seel '91 (President)** shared the remarkable history of Leadership Pinellas and how its members have positively impacted the community over the years.

And, while the Class of 2012 was learning ALL about their fellow classmates, Leadership Pinellas Alumni were preparing Program Day skits to inform, but better yet, to entertain. After watching some amazing theatrics (*there must have been a lot of Influentials performing!*), the Class of 2012 voted for . . . *drum roll, please . . .* a tie between Health Day (January 11, 2012) and Criminal Justice Day (May 9, 2012)!!! How could anyone choose between a very-pregnant Dorothy and a dawdling **David Phillips '12** who had to be handcuffed for his tardy ways?

Cut to the Meet the Alumni Social Hour (*OK, it was really two hours*) and things really started kicking up. Dozens of Leadership Pinellas Alumni met the Class of 2012, welcoming us to the organization and offering sincere words of advice of fun and fellowship. Thank you! We hope we do you proud!

Dinner afterwards was delicious, and then the festivities really began. Grooving down at the hotel, enjoying cocktails in the piano lounge, and then, for about half the Class of 2012, a ride on the Jolley Trolley to the Brown Boxer. Long story short, the driver was not too jolly when he saw the raucous group he was about to transport.

Class of 2012 Members began the next day right on time (except for **David Phillips '12**, of course). A few out of the group seemed to have a later night than most (*4:00AM to be precise!*), but still in good spirits (*Can you say “tongue in cheek”?*) the next day when we got down to business.

The Class of 2012 overwhelmingly agreed to do a class project, brainstorming ideas like a golf tournament, Rays baseball event, and celebration of Pinellas County's 100th Anniversary. **Judge Jack St. Arnold '91** opened by reiterating what a wonderful experience we were about to embark on. He then explained that the class project would be different than years' past in that the proceeds of the event will go to further Leadership Pinellas' vision. **Robert Loos '12** was elected as Class Project Chair and **David Phillips '12** as Vice Chair. And, to record all the hard work we are about to undertake, **Kim Kaszuba '12** and **Dawn Scott '12** agreed to be Class Photographers and I will report.

Saturday ended like Friday began. Enthusiasm for the new people we met and high spirits for the upcoming year. And as my predecessor, **Tina Tenret '11**, closed in her first report last year, “We look forward to serving . . . and to seeing you soon.”



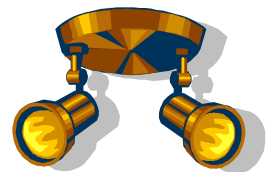
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Submitted by **Kim Kaszuba '12** and **Dawn Scott '12**





Volunteer Organization Spotlight of the Month



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PEMHS provides programs and services for adults, families, children, and to youth, and has been supporting the community since 1981. This year to date, PEMHS has now served over 100,000 Pinellas residents.

PEMHS is the designated public receiving facility for adults and children in Pinellas County who are experiencing a mental health crisis. The agency carries fourteen licenses in the areas of crisis stabilization, child caring, child placing, and substance abuse intervention and treatment.

Support for the Children's Programs is always needed!

PEMHS administers the Family Emergency Treatment Center (FETC) in St. Petersburg, an urgent care, walk-in center for all citizens regardless of ability to pay. A Children's Group Home, and various programs for abused and/or neglected children, and a specialized foster care program.

For further information, please contact Tom Wedekind, Executive Director, at (727) 545-6477, Leadership Pinellas Class of 1990. Currently we are fund raising for the children through our annual "No Show, No Snow" (Phantom) Holiday Ball, the non-event of the 2011 Holiday Season!

Zombie Boogie

LEADERSHIP PINELLAS
HALLOWEEN EVENT



**OCTOBER 30, 2011
5:30 TO 9:00 PM**



Dunedin Brewery
Florida's Oldest Microbrewery

**937 Douglas Avenue
Dunedin, FL**

FOOD: GHOUL GRUB

MUSIC: The Divine Miss Sarah McAdoo (Elevation)

DRESS: Funky Zombie (Requested but Not Required)

**COST: \$15.00 per Leadership Pinellas Member
\$20.00 per Guest**

**PARKING: ample parking provided directly across
Douglas Avenue from the brewery**

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RSVP by October 20, 2011

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Michael Little Family has given an Honor Roll \$200 level gift on behalf of their daughter, a YLP graduate, **Juliana**.

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SAVE THE DATE

Deborah Kynes '89 is planning to have a Zombie BOOgie, Leadership Pinellas Halloween Party, on Sunday, Oct 30 from 5:30 until 9:00 at the Dunedin Brewery as a private Party. The cost will be \$15 per Alumni and \$20 per guest. This will pay for the buffet and a great DJ and decorations. There will be a cash bar. There is parking across the street for up to 100. The Brewery is located on Douglas Ave. Be sure to put this date on your calendars. It looks to be an exciting event.



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CONGRATULATIONS to . . .

Holly Duncan '84 has received the 2011 Si Seymour Award. The AHP (Association for Healthcare Philanthropy) highest honor, the Si Seymour Award, recognizes distinguished leadership in Association affairs.



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