

LEADER READER

A Message from our President:

Dear Fellow Leadership Pinellas Graduates:



Bud Elias '01
President

For those of you who remember your opening retreat experience you cannot possibly forget meeting the four intriguing personalities of Dora, Irene, Sara and Cornelia. Well, these ladies will, once again, appear in starring roles for this year's opening retreat. Through the greatly appreciated efforts of **Judy Siracusa '95** and **Pat Siracusa '97** these interesting ladies will lend their peculiar perspectives to this new class of 40 outstanding individuals.

As a result of a very successful recruiting effort we have an inordinately large class this year. The downside of that kind of success is we have to disappoint more than just a few. We do, however, encourage those who were disappointed to consider applying again this next class year. Thanks to everyone who sponsored and encouraged a candidate to apply for membership in the Class of 2007. We look forward to this new class year with great anticipation, and high expectations.

Special recognition and thanks to **Chris Ruppel '03** for his recruiting efforts, to **Pat Perzel-Geller '93** as chairman of the selection process, and **Jane Helms '98** as chairman of the greeters. The Selection committee was made up of **Doug Edwards '05; Scott Fink '03; Kevin Flynn '05; Amy Hudock '02; Arlene Kaslander '04; and Sarah Pickett '06**. Our "greeters" were **Melissa Allan '01; Bonnie Bollenback '06; Georgetta Doyle '05; Steven Fishman '02; Colleen Flynn '06; Carla Mattern '02; and Nadine Nickeson '98;**

In many respects this year portends to be another outstanding experience. Beginning with the opening retreat headed up by **Judy Siracusa '95** and **Debbie White '95**, to the program days with **Ed Halleran '03** and his committee to **Karen Seel '91** and her exciting plans for our alumni. To assure the success of these efforts we need the active participation of our Leadership members. We encourage all of our members to attend the alumni portion of the opening retreat on Friday, August 25th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Radisson on Roosevelt Blvd in St. Petersburg. It is a lot of fun, and you will have an opportunity to meet, close up and personal, our 2006/2007 class members.

If you have not had an opportunity to attend a program day, please let Harriet know of your desire to support that particular program day and get on the bus with our new class.

If you have not had an opportunity to take part in one of our "special events" for Leadership graduates, please do so. We need you!

Bud Elias

Class
of

Welcome

2007

Stephanie Barsema	Program Manager, Big Brothers Big Sisters
Linda Beyrouti	Community Volunteer
Margaret Bicz	President, Woodrich Holdings, LLC
Tracey Birch	IT Director, US Consulting Services
George Ann Bissett	Executive Director, Dunedin Fine Arts Center
Jonathan Bowman	President, Home Helpers
Gregory Brady	President, Gregory's Salon
Georgine Brancato	Vice President, Brigna Enterprises
Charlotte Braziel	Special Agent, Dept. of Justice, FBI
Liza Carter	Sergeant, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office
Marcus Castillo	Partner, Haas & Castillo, P.A.
Allyn Childress	Planner, Self Employed
Duggan Cooley	Director of Development, Religious Community Services
Doreen DiPolito	Owner, D-Mar General Contracting
Patrick Donoghue	Estate Planner, Thornton Donoghue
Amanda Fisher	Director of Annual Giving, Morton Plant Mease Foundation
Karen Fitzpatrick	Executive Director, Safety Harbor Neighborhood Family Services
Tom Flynn	President, Flynn Development Corporation
Earl Gloster	Supt. Recreational Programming, City of Clearwater
Brenda Green	Owner, Brenda Green Consulting
Janice Howard	Program Specialist, Pinellas County Health Department
Barbara Hubbard	Consultant, The Right Brain Workshop
Bill Layman	President/Orthodontist, Straighten Up Orthodontics
Gwin Londrigan	Business Analyst, Publix Super Markets, Inc.
Pat McAbee	Administrator, Homeless Emergency Project (HEP)
Bob McIntyre	Chairman/CEO, DITEK Corporation
Kathy Milam	President, Southern Hospitality
Kay Newsom	President, Bella Southern Interiors, Inc.
Craig Phillips	Managing Partner, Client 1st Advisors, Inc.
JoAnn Rooney	President, Your Mortgage Source, Inc.
Karen Skiratko	Financial Consultant, A. G. Edwards & Sons, inc.
Bill Smith	Vice President, Encore Bank
Debra Sullivan	City Clerk/Treasurer, City of Belleair Bluffs
Mark Teunis	Detective Lieutenant, Clearwater Police Department
Dr. John Venturella	President, Clearwater Central Catholic High School
Pierre Vogelbacher	Attorney/Partner, Harper Kynes Geller & Buford, P.A.
Rich Walling	Managing Member, H & A Consulting Partners, LLC
Sally Zeh	Executive Director, PACE Center for Girls, Inc.
Fred Zinober	Partner/Attorney, Zuckerman Spaeder LLP
Justin Zinzow	Attorney, Ruden McClosky

Mark Your Calendars

to welcome the
Class of 2007
at their Retreat Social
Friday, August 25th
5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
at the
Radisson Hotel
12600 Roosevelt Blvd., St. Petersburg

Hors d'oeuvres
Cash Bar
NO FEE
just RSVP to
727-585-8889 by August 23rd
so we can give an accurate number
to the Catering Department

New 2006-2007 Directories will be available
if you have sent in your updated questionnaire
and your dues to
P.O. Box 5986, Clearwater, FL 33758-5986

Tentative Schedule of 2006-2007 Program Days

8/25-8/26/06	Opening Retreat	1/10/07	Education
9/13/06	Human Services	2/14/07	Health
10/19/06	Arts and Culture	3/18 - 3/20/07	Tallahassee Trip
11/8/06	Business and Technology	4/11/07	Criminal Justice
12/13/06	Government and Media	5/9/07	Environment and Infrastructure
		5/12/07	Graduation and Annual Meeting



This is not my desk

from the desk of
Harriet Coren,
Executive Director

This has been another active month - we recognize the graduating Class of 2006 and welcome the incoming Class of 2007. Most of the applicants have been in touch and are already starting on their Personality Profiles for Judy Siracusa. To recent our graduates: Do you remember whether you are a "D" and "I" or an "S" or a "C"?

So many of the alums have been calling to find out who was accepted, but as **Pat Perzel '93**, Selection Chair said, "what goes on at Selection stays with Selection until everyone is notified."

With that completed, I have included all their names on page 2 of this issue. Please also check out page 3 and add August 25th to your calendars to officially welcome them at the Retreat from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

One final reminder about your \$55 dues and the directory updates. **Arlene Kaslander '04** and Dial Directories will be printing them again for us and I need the information to update your listing in enough time for them to meet their deadline of having them delivered at the Retreat.

Until then, recent directory changes are:

Joe Falanga '06 email: pakmaillargo@aol.com

Amy Hudock '03 VP/Branch Mgr., Synovus Bank of Tampa Bay, 7490 Bryan Dairy Rd., Largo 33377; phone: 727-824-8766; email: amyhudock@synovusbankfl.com

Sally Kiser '84 email: sandckiser@aol.com

George Koder '06 phone: 562-4300 (w) email: george.koder@myclearwater.com

Scott McIntyre '97, 710 Lake Forest, P.O. Box 1315, Bonner Springs, KS 66012; phone: 913-422-4170; email: scottm3@ic.rr.com

Mike Monahan '06, VP Business Assistance, Upper Tampa Bay Regional Chamber of Commerce, 163 SR 580, Oldsmar 34677; Phone: 813-855-4233; fax: 813-854-1237; cell: 727-512-9540; email: mmonahan@utbchamber.com

The Clearwater Main Library is the home of the Leadership Library, a collection of books and materials established in partnership with our own Leadership Pinellas. The public is invited to the Special Collections Room on the 4th floor where they will find our collection.



Our "lunch series" invites you and your guests to join us on the first Thursday of every month from noon until 1:00 p.m. We meet in the first floor conference room at the Main Library, 100 N. Osceola Avenue in downtown Clearwater. Bring your lunch or buy one at Joffrey's Cafe.

Each month, members of the business community, local government and others will share books and authors who have inspired personal and professional growth and development.

Presenters, Thursday, July 6

Bud Elias '01

President of Leadership Pinellas
and
Beverley Billiris
Mayor of Tarpon Springs

Presenters, Thursday, August 3

Steve Spratt

Pinellas County Administrator
and
Mary Brown
Pinellas Public Library Executive

For information about donations to our Leadership Library Foundation please call 727-480-3515!

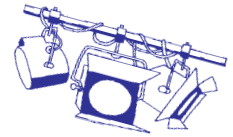
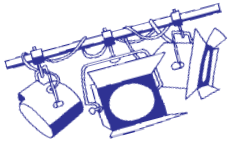
Special "B.I.N." Themes for July & August (see page 3)

July: "A ticket to ride" - bus passes, tokens, gas cards, bicycles, locks and helmets

August: "Pack it up, Pack it in" Gift cards, new back-to-school supplies and backpacks

(all contributions are welcome)

Volunteer Organization Spotlight of the Month Someone Is Waiting Just For You



The B.I.N (Bring Items of Necessity) Project was designed by the Leadership Pinellas Class of 2006 to provide an ongoing collection program to support the Homeless Emergency Project (HEP). The idea is to collect essential living items from local corporations, civic clubs and schools to help ease H.E.P's operational budget and bring further awareness to the community about the mission of H.E.P.



Partial Suggested Donation List

New shoes for men, women & children	Clothing
Linens, towels	Back to school supplies
Toilet paper, paper towels	Deodoant, soap, toothbrush/tooth paste
Bus passes, tokens	Bike locks, helmets
Gift Certificates	New items

CURRENT BIN LOCATIONS

HEP

1120 North Betty Lane, Clearwater, FL 33755

Coldwell Banker

1988 Gulf to Bay Blvd, Clearwater, FL 33765

Eastern Financial Florida Credit Union

29383 Hwy. US. 19 N., Clearwater, FL 33761

First Continental Mortgage

424 West Bay Drive, Clearwater, FL 33770

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

750 San Salvador Drive, Dunedin, FL 34698

DeLoach & Hofstra, P.A.

8640 Seminole Blvd., Seminole, FL 33772

Pinellas County Court House

400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Clearwater, FL 33756

Postcard Mania

404 S. MLK Jr. Ave., Clearwater, FL 33755

JetMail/PostcardMania

2145 Sunnydale Blvd., Clearwater, FL 33755

First Home Bank

9190 Seminole Blvd., Seminole, FL 33772

**For more information, please contact Rebecca Lett
HEP Community Relations
727-442-9041 x 110
1120 North Betty Lane, Clearwater FL 33755**

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 the Editorial Committee, Leadership Pinellas, P. O. Box 5986, Clearwater, FL 33758-5986. Deadline for the next issue is July 24, 2006.

