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2004-2005 BOARD MEMBERS

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RAIN OR SHINE – THE CARIBBEAN CARNIVAL GOES ON!



The 2004 Caribbean Carnival was held at Kleman Plaza on August 21, 2004! Thank you so much to all of the volunteers who came out in questionable weather to help make maracas and headresses for the kids of our community. In addition to learning some new crafts and

rewarding interaction with the kids, volunteers had the opportunity to experience some great music, amazing food, and many other exciting booths that were being operated by the other organizations who participated. The Community Events committee hosts some incredible

events throughout the year, so we encourage everyone to get involved. Not only is it a perfect way to give back directly to the kids, but chances are you'll also make some great new, lifelong friends!

Speaking of other Community Events news, the annual T25 Haunted House is right around the corner, and will be held this year at Fun Station! If you would like to become involved in this awesome event, come to our next planning meeting! Contact Amy Wright (219.3797) or Adeena Alam (508.4883) for more details!



And... there's so much more! See pages 3 & 4 for more news, events, and calendars!

YET ANOTHER HUGELY SUCCESSFUL BOOK DRIVE!



The 6th Annual T25 & Kids, Inc. Book Drive

was held at Borders on August 21, 2004. But T25 members were hard at work collecting books long before the day of the Book Drive. The proof is in the numbers! We collected

over 1750 books to benefit at-risk children in our community! Oh yeah – and once again, the girls won the contest! So, don't miss the next general meeting or you'll miss the "pie-in-the-face" penance that the guys must serve. Thanks so much to all who contributed books or volunteered at the drive!

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



I am happy to see membership month here! This is always one of T25's best general meetings! I hope you all had a great time and a chance to meet a few other members (not to mention a lot of visitors)! The past month has been a quiet one, except for that one Saturday when we had two events at once! The Caribbean Carnival was so much fun, as usual! Although there was a lower turnout than normal due to the weather, T25 was still there and strong! On the other side of the capital, we had our 6th Annual Book

Drive! This year was a complete success, and the men came closer to ever to finally gathering more books than the women. Overall, we raised over 1750 books!! Now that the men have lost, our men's book drive leader will take one for the team - sorry Rashad, we tried! Don't miss the pie in the face at the next general meeting!!

I want to thank all of the volunteers who have helped make T25 what it is today! I sincerely hope that you are getting as much out of this organization as I am. T25 changed my life 4 years ago! I have

met the most incredible people through this organization, and I now have friends that will last me a lifetime! These people are not just friends, but the kind of friends that I know I can rely on whenever I need them — you know who you are and thank you for being you! If T25 hasn't influenced you in the right way, or had a positive impact on your life, come see me and I'll be more than happy to show you the ropes of this great organization!

- Sean Singleton
T25 President

We would like to extend a huge thank you to September's meeting sponsor:

KEYNA CORY &



<http://www.tqbc.org/>

MEET THE T25 AUGUST MEMBER OF THE MONTH — CHRISTINA WIMBERLEY!

The Tallahassee 25 Board would like to congratulate Christina Wimberley on being selected as our August Member of the Month! The Board feels very fortunate to have Christina's involvement in the organization, and we'd like to give all of you the opportunity to also get to know a little bit more about this outstanding T25 member!



Christina
Wimberley

Christina was born and raised in Tallahassee. She is a graduate of Lincoln High School, and received her Bachelor's

degree in Nursing from The Florida State University in 1998. She is currently pursuing her Master's degree in Nursing. Christina earned her Real Estate Salesperson's license in January 2004, and began practicing in April at Prime Real Estate Services.

Although she has been a member of T25 for about 3 years, she just became an active member again this year. She is currently the sponsorship chair for Bids for the Kids. On that note, Christina

could use everyone's help with the Bids Sponsorship committee, so please contact her if you are interested!

She mentioned that she has really enjoyed participating in the SLaK committee events, as well as all the friends she has made through T25 the last few years. She encourages everyone to bring friends out to meetings because she feels that "the more support we have in the community, the more we can do for the children."

"Christina has jumped in to help with Bids for the Kids by heading up our sponsorship committee. She has pulled in various other members to help out with the committee that would otherwise not be as actively involved in T25." -T25 Board Member

MEMBER MOMENTS



One of our very own T25 Board Members, Jamie Taylor, is serving in the Marines in Africa as part of Operation Enduring Freedom! If you have the opportunity, let him know we are all thinking of him. You can reach him by postal mail at MSGT. J.E. Taylor; Marcent DJ; 1st Provisional Security; 2nd Platoon; APO, AE 09363 or via email at TaylorJE@hoa.centcom.mil. We miss you, Jamie!!

CONTRIBUTIONS & CELEBRATIONS

This column highlights a special volunteer opportunity ("contributions") & social opportunity ("celebrations") each month.

Spotlight on...

SLAK'S BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ!

Thanks to everyone who came out to SLaK's Back to School Barbeque at Girls and Boys Town!

It was another great event, which the kids truly enjoyed! If you are interested in participating in similar events or helping out the committee in any way, please contact one of the following SLaK committee leaders: Scott Dudley at 545.5915 or Sherman Rosier at 228.3422.



CONTRIBUTIONS



CELEBRATIONS

Spotlight on...

BIDS FOR THE KIDS - 2005!

Preparations are underway for what is likely to be one of our most — if not THE most — successful Bids for the Kids yet! It is slated for January 22, 2005 at

the University Center Club. If you would like to get involved on the Bids for the Kids committee, please contact Jaimi Morhard by phone at 567.9130 or email at jaimi@newspaperclips.com.



YOU'RE INVITED TO...

PLAYGROUND BUILDING

To benefit the children of ECHO/Bethany House Family Apartments
 Thursday, September 30, 2004 from 8:30am - 2:30pm (or until completed)

2221 South Meridian Road

Please call 878.6088 to let them know you'll be there!
 Any questions? Contact Melissa Mitchell at 425.2532.



Thank you so much to our very generous sponsors for the Wine Tasting Fundraiser at Killeam Liquors!

PREMIER BEVERAGE
 (ROB NIX)

KILLEARN LIQUORS
 (ANDRE & BILL)

CHALKHILL
 (FEATURED VINEYARD)



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**lending kids
a helping hand**

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What is the Tallahassee 25?

The Tallahassee 25 is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization incorporated with the State of Florida, with no paid staff. Twenty five young professionals established the organization as charter members in March 1997. After simply collecting contributions for a little league baseball team, they realized they shared a common mission to help area children and wanted to continue that vision with a more structured commitment. With that, the charter members formed this non-profit organization and established its bylaws.

The vision of the Tallahassee 25 is "to create and inspire hope for children and families in order to improve our community's quality of life."

The mission of the Tallahassee 25 is "to create opportunities for local children, through support and hands-on involvement in programs and activities which allow kids to enjoy their youth — while also helping them learn principles such as responsibility, self-esteem, self-discipline, and teamwork."

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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UPCOMING IN OCTOBER

General Meeting – 10/13/04

Haunted House Meeting – 10/4/04 at Paradise at 6:30pm
Community Events
Contact: Amy Wright (219.3797) or Adeena Alam (508.4883)

Preschool Playtime – 10/18/04
Tutoring & Mentoring
Contact: Kerry McCombs (345.1176)

Education Day with TSAE – 10/20/04

The Network of Young Professionals Community Forum – Tentatively either 10/21/04

An Evening with the Kids (CCYS) – Tentatively 10/20/04
Tutoring & Mentoring
Contact: Kerry McCombs (345.1176)

See website for additional details:
<http://www.Tallahassee25.org>