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MONTHLY
E-NEWSLETTER
FOR FRIENDS OF
PENCIL FOUNDATION

April 2007

BRAVO! Celebrating 25 Years of PENCIL Partners and Volunteers

On April 1, 1982, a group of community leaders and educators recognized the need to build formal linkages between Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools and the private sector. Sue Spickard, President of Cumberland Valley Girl Scout Council and sustaining member of the Junior League of Nashville, and Rosalind McGee, President of the League of Women Voters, co-chaired a committee to gather information on successful school-community



partnerships. With a goal of providing critical support to Metro Schools



and to ensure a healthy, economic future for Nashville, PENCIL - Public Education Needs Community Involvement and Leadership - was born. And here we are today. Thanks to you, PENCIL Partners and volunteers, PENCIL continues to link

community resources with Nashville public schools. You have allowed for our programs to grow in order to meet the changing and increasing needs of the school system. We hope to see you at our BRAVO! Luncheon where we will begin celebrating our success and begin looking to the future!



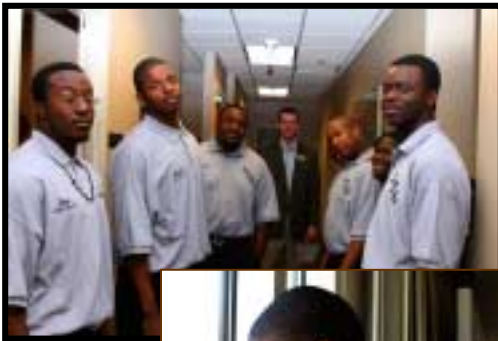
BRAVO! Luncheon
Wednesday, May 2
11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
Belmont University's Curb Event Center

Reservations: 242-3167 x 225

Around Town with PENCIL Partners

"Behind the Scenes" at the Downtown Hilton

On April 5th, the JTG students from Pearl-Cohn high school got to spend a day at the Hilton in downtown Nashville to shadow Hilton employees. Students got a behind-the-scenes look at who and what keeps the hotel running. They observed employees at the reservation desk, security, housekeeping, the kitchen, marketing, and hotel maintenance and engineering. The employees were gracious in explaining their jobs and answering all of the student's questions. The students were even treated to lunch courtesy of the Hilton!



Welcome, New PENCIL Partners!

- ◆ Nashville Convention Center & Hume-Fogg High Magnet
- ◆ The Honeybaked Ham Company & Cameron Middle
- ◆ Trevecca Community Church of the Nazarene & Napier Elementary Enhanced Option

LP PENCIL BOX

Nashville's School Supply Partnership



Service to youth is the rent we pay for the space we occupy on earth.

- Jane Deeter Rippin

Volunteering creates a national character in which the community and the nation take on a spirit of compassion, comradeship and confidence.

- Brian O'Connell

Even students are volunteering at LP PENCIL Box! Murrell students recently took a field trip to LP PENCIL Box and helped clean, restock school supplies and recycle! Thank you for helping out!



It seems there's always a mailing at PENCIL. So as you can imagine our staff is always glad to have the extra help. Recently Dell employees made a stop at the Box to sign, seal and deliver!



Volunteers have given 805 hours of their time to LP PENCIL Box this year. Thank you!

Thank you, Program Funders!

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