

The Tree House Center for Youth

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Summer Newsletter

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Cary Eidsness Wins 2010 White Ribbon Leadership Award



On March 16th of this year, Advisory Board member Cary Eidsness was awarded the Mesa County Human Services Council White Ribbon Leadership Award. This annual award is given to one outstanding nonprofit board member in Mesa County.

Cary was an active board member of The Tree House for over 8 years leading the organization through its infancy and also through an important period of transition. He worked diligently as a policy guide, community networker, and fundraiser to move the mission of providing youth prevention services forward. It is no stretch to say that The Tree House would not be here today without his steady and effective leadership during these years.

Congratulations to Cary! You deserve it!

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Read on to see what's up in our world of teens!

Pssst: We dare you to forward along this newsletter to someone else today! Double-dog dare ya!



Upcoming Gigs

8/14/10 Gold's Gym Half-Marathon Run/Relay and 5k to support The Tree House www.TreeHouseCenter.org for info.
Aug.--Sept. Bistro Board interviews begin. Know an interested teen?



Program Numbers, Bistro Board, etc.

It's that time of the year when we begin to compile the numbers of youth served for the annual report. These numbers are important as we keep track of our programming. We need to see how we are growing and in what areas we can improve. This year looks like it will be a record-breaker. Initial estimates are showing that we will have served **over 1,200** Mesa County teens in all of our programs combined -- Kids Kabana, Bistro, and FACT. Whew, that's a large number! We are so excited about this growth!

The Bistro Board is a great opportunity for teens this upcoming school year. Up to 12 teens get to participate in this youth leadership development board each year. They meet weekly to learn organizational skills, plan community service activities, and begin to build their personal community networks. The information they learn and the contacts they make provides them with a leg-up as they go on to college and careers. Participants are also eligible for Daniels Fund and the new Bistro Board college scholarships. If you know of a teen who might be interested this year, contact Cody at 241-8001.

We are pleased to announce that **Emmett (Ahmy) Carroll is the first winner of a new scholarship** introduced this year -- the Bistro Board scholarship! Ahmy served on the Bistro Board for 3 years, with the last year as President of the Board. His dedicated service and leadership earned him the \$500 Bistro Board Scholarship for 2010.

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Two Ways to Make a Difference

Gold's Gym Run

On Saturday, Aug. 14th, Gold's Gym will be sponsoring a half-marathon, half-marathon relay, and 5K fun run to support The Tree House. The run will begin at Gold's in Grand Junction and will wind through the beautiful trees and parks of the river district before circling back around to Gold's. This will be a major event with timing available. For more info. or to register go to www.TreeHouseCenter.org and click on the link on the front page.

Small Monthly Gifts

It is important to know that every financial gift counts. The Tree House Board of Directors just passed the new fiscal year budget and would like to remind everyone that each and every gift helps us to achieve our mission.

Have you ever considered becoming a regular monthly giver? Monthly gifts provide a steady stream of giving which The Tree House can count on when planning our programming, and it can be done through the convenience of your credit card. You only need to sign up once, and the gifts will automatically be deducted each month. This convenient form of giving is "hands free" and can be as low as \$25/month, much less than your cell phone or cable bill, and they provide the reliable giving we need to allow us to serve these 1,200 Mesa County youth.

Please consider signing up! Go to www.TreeHouseCenter.org/donate.html to start giving today.

Every supporter in every way and of every size is important to us. Thank you so much for believing in our mission and for supporting the youth of today. We often hear bad news about teens in the world, but it's good to know that these guys do a lot of good out there too.

Don't forget to hug a teen today! (if they've bathed, that is :)

Cody Moore
Executive Director
The Tree House

2 Months

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