



## Martini's & Masquerade

Fall 2006

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of so many Board Members and Volunteers, the Healing House recently had great success with our 2nd annual Martini's & Masquerade fundraising event! The event brought in community members and masked revelers, not to mention, financial benefit for the Healing House. With free martini's, live & silent auctions, and live entertainment... a good time was had by all!

This fundraiser is one of several events that keeps the Healing House doors open. We would like to extend our sincere appreciation for all who made this event a success!

A Special thank you to Charlie Baudoin, Molly Kallenberger, and Michelle Dupuis, the chairmen for the event.

Masked revelers enjoying cocktails and conversation.  
Photo taken by Danny Izzo, Healing House board member.  
Martini's & Masquerade, September 16th ~2006

### Upcoming Fundraisers:

#### Project Playhouse

(Children's Playhouses to be raffled and auctioned)

November– December 2006

(Festival of Lights December 1st)

#### Christmas Cards

(Local Artist donating art for Christmas cards to be sold to benefit the Healing House.)

Will be sold November– December 2006

at the Healing House

If you are interested in helping out with any of these events, or would like further information, please contact Heather (337)234-0443 or [heather@healing-house.org](mailto:heather@healing-house.org)

### Welcome New Board Members

The Healing House would like to extend a warm welcome to Lisa Sais and Mary Vinson, who have recently joined our Board of Directors. The Healing House Board is made up a diverse group of community members committed to making a difference. We are blessed to have dedicated advocates who strive to provide a team approach to upholding our mission to support grieving children and their families.

### Volunteer Corner

- **SPECIAL THANK YOU'S :** Thank you to Alice Morein, Chenette Adler, Molly Walsh, Natalie DeMoor, Jennifer Blanchard, and Diane McClelland, our volunteer facilitators who helped out with Martini's & Masquerade.
- We would not be where we are without the continued commitment of our wonderful volunteers, both facilitators and board members! THANKS

### Did you know?

The **Development Committee** focuses on the promotion, fundraising, and growth of the Healing House. If you are interested in assisting with the committee, know someone who is, or have specific questions about this committee please contact Heather @ 234-0443

### ATTENTION FAMILIES

We understand grieving is difficult. There are times when things seem to be going okay, and times when that seems close to impossible... We are here to help! Please do not hesitate to call if you need to talk, or utilize our resource library if you need additional support. We know we cannot take away the pain, we cannot ease your feelings of fear, loneliness and sadness. However, we would like to provide a safe haven for you and your children to be comfortable expressing yourself in whatever way you need. Grief is unique to everyone, and we treat it that way.

For assistance call Alison 234-0443  
or [alison@healing-house.org](mailto:alison@healing-house.org)

*No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.*

### VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS:

We would like to recognize our loyal helpers who have gone above and beyond over the past few months:

- **Vicky Taylor-Brignac**– Not only is she an active board member, taking on most PR for fundraisers, but she is ALSO a dedicated group facilitator! Double Doozy !!
- **Andre Broussard**- He is responsible for keeping our books in order and keeping Healing House financially "fit"... Very important for a non-profit!!! "Show me the Money"
- **Kay Dore**'- Her generosity and true concern for the services we provide has contributed to the continued efforts to improve the appearance of the Healing House itself. She recognizes the importance for us to offer a "safe-haven" AND present it as well.
- **Brooke Breaux**– Having volunteered consistently for 2 years, she is rarely absent and ALWAYS willing to substitute if she is available.

### You're missed when you're gone...

Our groups are underway with great success! Please remember as FAMILIES and VOLUNTEERS how important your presence is at the Healing House. We appreciate to be notified if you know you will be unable to attend group. FACILITATORS! I want to stress the importance of your presence for these children whose need for consistency is heightened. If you are having a hard time with your commitment to the Healing House at this time, please contact Alison and we can discuss various options.

Please refer to enclosed 2006-2007 calendar for specific dates



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# December 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
					1 <b>Festival of Lights</b>	2	
3	4	5 Parent IV Parent I	6 Parent II	7 Dev't Mtg 11:30 Parent III	8	9	
10	11 Sibling II	12 Youngsters	13 Teen	14 Sibling	15 <b>Board Meeting 7:30am</b>	16	
17	18	19 Parent IV Parent I	20 Parent II	21 Parent III	22	23	
24	25 Merry Christmas!!!	———— Holidays – NO GROUPS ————				29	30
31							

# January 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Happy New Years!!!	2	———— Holidays – NO GROUPS ————		5	6
7	8 Sibling II	9 Youngsters	10 Teen	11 Executive Comm. 11:30a Sibling	12	13
14	15	16 Parent IV Parent I	17 Parent II	18 Dev't Mtg 11:30a Parent III	19 <b>Board Meeting 7:30am</b>	20
21	22 Sibling II	23 Youngsters	24 Teen	25 Sibling	26	27
28	29	30 Parent IV Parent I	31 Parent II			



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**GROUP TIMES:**  
Parent I, Parent II, Parent III, Youngsters, Teen, Sibling  
7:00-8:15pm

Parent IV, Sibling II  
4:15-5:30pm

# October 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Parent IV Parent I	4 Parent II	5 Exec. Committee Parent II	6	7
8	9 Sibling II	10 Youngsters	11 Teen	12 Dev't Meeting Sibling	13	14
15	16	17 Parent IV Parent I	18 Parent II	19 Parent III	20 Board Meeting	21
22	23 Sibling II	24 Youngsters	25 Teen	26 Dev't Meeting Sibling	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween (NO GROUP)				

# November 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Parent II	2 Exec. Committee Parent III	3	4
5	6 Sibling II	7 Youngsters	8 Teen	9 Dev't Meeting Sibling	10	11
12	13	14 Parent IV Parent I	15 Parent II	16 Parent III	17 Board Meeting	18
19	20	21 Thanksgiving Holiday	22 NO GROUPS	23 Happy Thanksgiving!!!	24	25
26	27 Sibling II	28 Youngsters	29 Teen	30 Exec. Committee Sibling	Dec. 1 Festival of Lights	