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## **Executive Service Corps of Houston Hosts Leading Edge Luncheon To Honor Volunteers**

On Tuesday, September 18, 2012, **Executive Service Corps of Houston (ESCH)** celebrate its volunteers' dedication in 2011 with over 4,000 volunteer hours of business consulting for nonprofits with the *Leading Edge Luncheon* at The Junior League of Houston. Over 200 consultants, clients, and supporters will gather for the event that will honor Amazing Place as Nonprofit of the Year, a day center that provides fellowship, memory care and wellness for adults with mild to moderate memory loss and support to their families and the community.

**Dr. Stephen L. Klineberg**, will keynote on the subject of "Houston's Changing Face" and KPRC-TV's **Bill Balleza** will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Dr. Stephen Klineberg, co-director of the Kinder Institute for Urban Research and a sociology professor at Rice University, is a graduate of Haverford College, received a master's degree from the University of Paris and a Ph.D. from Harvard University. In 1982, he and his students initiated the annual Kinder Houston Area Survey, now in its fourth decade of tracking the remarkable changes in the demographic patterns, economic outlooks, experiences, and beliefs of Harris County residents. The recipient of 12 major teaching awards, including the Lifetime Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Piper Professor Award, Klineberg is featured in "Interesting Times," a documentary film focusing on the 30 years of Houston surveys.

Consultant **Sally Diederich** (77008) who has served over 500+ hours will be honored with the **Volunteer Leader Award**, along with the following members who have contributed 300+ Hours **Paul Cuneo** (77070), **Burton Hering** (77077), and Roger Rolke (77079) ; and Outstanding ESCH Volunteers who have given (100-299 Hours) **Pete Berkowitz** (77096), A.J. Durrani (77450); Marvin Kiel (); **Francis McGrath** (77586), **Thomas McIntosh** (77082), **Elmer Milz** (77024), **John Reed** (77056), Milt Rose (77024); **Ronald Swofford** (77058), **John Wagner, Jr.** (77382) and **Hugh Williams** (77042).

Executive Service Corps of Houston, established in 1984, serves as a leadership and management consultant service for the nonprofit community of Greater Houston. ESCH, one of 28 nationally-affiliated offices, offers business and strategic planning, marketing, insurance and fundraising assistance and consultation to nearly

1,000 nonprofits community. A corps of 70 currently employed and retired executives, many from Fortune 500 companies, lend their management expertise and utilize their business acumen when challenges arise for large and small nonprofits. Consultants, long recognized for their volunteer efforts in the Houston community, offer their talent and mentorship to local nonprofit leaders and their organizations for a nominal fee. ESCH is supported by foundation, corporate and individual contributions. **For more information, contact (<http://www.eschouston.org>) or call 713-780-2208.**

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