

Welcome to February's Teen Network Board (TNB) newsletter! Our teens have had a busy last couple of months since we last checked in, and we're excited for what's in store as we head out of winter and into the spring.



Our Peer-to-Peer committee spent the month focusing on three activities: their cookie bake, TNB Jr. applications (a group that allows select 8th graders the opportunity to participate in TNB), and their next Teen Talk.

The VICE committee (Volunteering, Internships, Community Service, and Employment) helped out on the MLK day of service this January. In addition, they gave out Valentine's Day cards to support staff, custodians, and lunch ladies at APS high schools this month. Looking ahead, on April 23rd they will be co-hosting an event called Teen Expo at which businesses and organizations will share employment opportunities for teens aged 14-18.



The Healthy Relationships Taskforce (HRT) is currently planning a t-shirt fundraiser! April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), so the proceeds will benefit groups with missions to prevent sexual assult.

Our Communications committee spent the month making posts and ensuring that our teens get the recognition they deserve. In addition, Communications hosted a very successful restaurant fundraiser for TNB Jr. at Pupatella in Arlington. They will be hosting a second fundraiser at the Lee Heights Chipotle on April 20th.



The Drug and Alcohol Prevention committee is currently working on their annual Sticker Shock event, where the group puts up stickers warning employees not to sell alcohol to minors and outlines the many consequences of such actions. In April, the group will be busting myths about what high school is like in middle school Health and PE classes.





This month, we are highlighting Carrie, TNB's Executive Leadership Assistant. Her major role is in planning events and coordinating meetings. Asked why she loves being part of our group, she said that her "favorite thing about TNB is getting to meet so many people from around the county and interacting with new members." TNB has some big plans for the future, which Carrie is excited about, particularly the imminent rollout of TNB Jr..

TNB has had a fantastic month of February so far, and we could not be more excited for all the things we have planned in the future. Look out for our newsletter next month to keep up with our progress!

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