

Greenville  
FIRST  
BEST &  
BRIGHTEST  
35 and under

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*Never doubt that a small, group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

- Margaret Mead

This year, we recognize, as we do every year, 25 local men and women who are making great strides in our business community, and in our city. They are, as you will see, some of the most inspiring and dedicated around – fully involved in making Greenville better and better with every task. And, they are all under the age of 35.

This year, Greenville Magazine expanded the program to further benefit the Class of 2007, hoping to further encourage and recognize these unique individuals. In them, you will see a diverse group that exceeds every standard. You will see company owners, non-profit employees, mothers, fathers, activists and visionaries.

But more than that, in them, you will see the future of Greenville.

## **Brooke Taylor Culclasure**

Project Director,

The Riley Institute at Furman University

As a child, Brook Culclasure was involved in service, thanks to parents who made her aware of its importance. Since moving to Greenville three years ago, she not only serves as the Public Affairs Committee Chairperson for the Junior League of Greenville, but also as a member of the Circle of the Children's Museum and a volunteer for the Greenville Literacy Association and a number of committees within Blythe Academy. In 2007, she was recognized as one of the Greenville YWCA's DreamAchievers. Outside of her work in service, Culclasure also works as a Project Director with the Riley Institute at Furman University, acting as director of the Emerging Public Leaders program, a service-based leadership program for high school students, and project director for the Hewlett Project, the largest study ever conducted of public education in South Carolina.