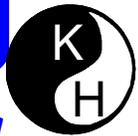
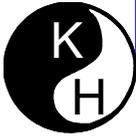


# Kennedy Heights News

April, 2003



## 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Sap Run: May 10

When the sap runs, KH residents Run, Walk, & Bike!  
We then wind down with a hearty breakfast, awards, and a sing-a-long.



**Start time:** 8:30 a.m. at KH Presbyterian Church on Kennedy Ave.

**Run or Bike:** 3 miles      **Walk:** 1 mile

**Brunch:** 10:30 (at KH Presbyterian)



### Back at the Church

- Full course meal, featuring Mary Kamp's famous strada prepared by the loyal kitchen crew.
- Awards: Several categories for runners, walkers & bikers
- Music: Featuring C. Robert Smith at the piano

**Great time: Guaranteed!!**

### Get Your Ticket Now

■ Tickets: \$15.00 / adult and \$7.50 children under 12. Family discounts.

**Bob Kamp: 631-3740 or 631-4924.**

■ This is one of our major, annual fundraisers!! It's also reat fun!

*Want to join the kitchen crew?  
call Mimi Gingold 531-9218.*

## School Board Reverses Plan: No School at K & M

By a vote of 4-3 the Cincinnati School Board has amended its Facilities Master Plan that called for replacing the Pleasant Ridge Elementary School with a new school at the corner of Kennedy & Montgomery.

The plan now will be to tear down PR School and build a new school on the existing site.

School Superintendent Frailey and his staff told the board that a new school **can** be built on the present site, but that it **should** be built at the larger and preferred site in Kennedy Heights.

Board members who supported the change despite the staff recommendations said they were impressed by the school's ties to the Pleasant Ridge community.

## Adopt a Litter Patrol Zone!

**Joanie Weidner, Litter Magic Chair**

Make a one year commitment to keeping your neighborhood clean!  
We are looking for folks to adopt-a-zone and do some random acts of cleaning for Kennedy Heights. The *Litter Patrol* program will kick off at the Great American Clean-up on April 26.



We've divided the neighborhood into 12 zones. I'm sure we can get at least one person, couple, or family to adopt a zone and commit to cleaning it at least once a month for a year. Supplies will be provided at the Litter Magic celebration on April 26.

Litter Patrollers will enjoy special gatherings and recognition from our community. I know in time I will see so many of you enrolled in this program that our gateway sign will read "**Cleanest Neighborhood in Cincinnati!**"

The face of Kennedy Heights is in your har

## The Great American Clean-up

April 26, 2003

8:30 - 11:00 am

Meet at KH Presbyterian Church

Free T-shirts for volunteers

Litter Patrol Sign-up

11:00 am celebration held at the church



## KHCC Endorses Levy

With over 80 residents present, KHCC overwhelmingly endorsed the School Bond Issue that will be on the May 6 ballot.

School Board member Harriett Russell explained that the levy is needed to fund the new construction and renovations included in the Facilities Master Plan. That includes replacement of Pleasant Ridge, Shroder, and John Parker schools. All told, the Board plans to build 35 new buildings and renovate 31.

Ms. Russell also pointed out that the levy failed in November by only 611 votes.

Here's how KH residents voted on the same levy last November:

- Registered Voters: 4,488
- Voters who Voted: 2,451 (55%)
- For the levy: 1,356 (55%)
- Against the levy: 1,019 (45%)

- ✓ **Oops!**
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- ✓ **Caring Place Multiplier**
- ✓ **Dumpster Daze**
- ✓ **Shroder Scores!**
- ✓ **www.kennedyheights.org**

## Community Council Meets

April 15

7:30

**KH Presbyterian Church  
Kennedy Avenue**

- **Vote on By-Law Amendment**
- **Child Care Provided**

**Join Us!**

## Kennedy Heights Art Center

Kathy Spoon

There's an exciting new development on Montgomery Road: the Kennedy Heights Art Center!

A group of local commercial artists has an agreement to buy the former Douglas Funeral Home--and they are now busy raising the purchase money. They already have a substantial grant from the city. The non-profit group is led by Mike Kull (Robison Rd.), owner of The Dubliner.

### Accessible Art

Their mission is to make art accessible to the public, by bringing citizens in to create art for their own neighborhoods, as well as local parks and public spaces. Their plans also include art lessons and corporate retreats.

The grounds will include a pottery shed, glass blowers, and a community garden. Plans for the existing building include a gallery for public exhibition on the first floor, with studios and classrooms on the upper floor(s).

Once owned by KH Mayor Kennedy; most recently Douglas Funeral Home; Future KH Art Center.



### Community Art

The Kennedy Heights Art Center will truly be a community effort! Artists are donating their time to restore the property. Home Depot has generously agreed to donate the materials and labor to help restore the property.

They are seeking private and corporate patrons to help bring this vision to a reality!

If you or your company would be interested in being part of this exciting development, please contact Mike Kull at 531-6111 or Kathy Spoon at 631-5575. Financial contributions are tax-deductible. Make checks payable to **Kennedy Heights Art Center**, mailed to: Mike Kull at 6109 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45213.

## Jump Start Your Garden!

Jeff Dey

Are you planning to divide perennials in your garden this spring?

Want to add new perennials?

Starting from scratch?

Swap & Share at the **May 20 KHCC** meeting

### Perennials & Pastries

Bring perennials to share from your garden. Examples include hostas, daylilies, lilies of the valley, cannas, black-eyed Susans, mums.

Label them to include:

- Plant name    ■ Flower color
- When it blooms    ■ Height
- Sun/shade/watering/soil preferences

If you divide the plants several days before the meeting, keep them out of direct sun and water as necessary. If kept watered and protected, they can survive for many weeks.

Bring the plants to **Perennials & Pastries** in plastic pots so they'll be easier for you and the recipient to handle. These can be easily carried in boxes or flats.

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***We'll have more specifics next month. Call Jeff at: 531-879***

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## Oops!

### Errors in March KH News

- Caring Place Phone is 841-1499
- KH Presbyterian Rummage sale is **Saturday, April 12**, not March 12! (That means you didn't miss it!)

### Caring Place \$ Multiplier

The Caring Place has a "matching grant" for all donations through April.

The grant increases with every dollar you give. It's not a dollar-for-dollar match. But it does mean your dollar is worth more to the Caring Place in April than it will be in May.



### Form a Block Watch



All it takes is a handful of folks (or maybe just you) willing to spend time watching out for each other.

- Get the neighbors together, get to know each other, swap stories, discuss common concerns.
  - Walk your dog, cat, or canary with eye & ear cocked for suspicious happenings.
  - Meet monthly with Officer Engleman, who'll share tips and hear concerns.
- Call Officer Engleman: 979-4468**

He'll provide a "Block Watch Kit" to help you get it going.



### June R. Alexander Playground

The play area on McHugh Place has been officially named in memory of a resident of McHugh Place who was very active in the neighborhood.

She was an advocate for children having their own space.

June died on June 10, 1998, and she had still been making calls to City Hall and Recreation to get the park established. The park will be dedicated on June 8, 2003.

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## KHCC Minutes: 3/18/03

Sheral Foster, Secretary



## Polish the Jewel

Mimi Gingold, Beautification Chair



- School Board Member Harriett Russell spoke to Council, urging our support for the May 6 Bond Issue.

- Officer Engleman encouraged residents to report junk cars on the street. The City conducts weekly "sweeps" to tow them away.

### Council Actions

- ☑ **Approved** a resolution supporting the bond issue, with only one "nay" vote.
- ☑ **Rejected** a motion to support the unanimous resolution of the Pleasant Ridge Community Council for retaining Pleasant Ridge Elementary School in the community of Pleasant Ridge. 10 for, 78 against.

- ☑ **Approved** a motion to encourage the Board of Education to fulfill its Facilities Master plan and support its superintendent's recommendation to build the new elementary school at the corner of Montgomery Rd. and Kennedy Ave.; KHCC Commits to working with our neighbors in Pleasant Ridge to provide not only what's best for Kennedy Heights and Pleasant Ridge but what's best for the school children of both communities. 68 for, 8 against

- ☑ **Tabled** until the April meeting the proposed constitutional amendment creating a new office of vice president for development.

Read the full text of all Minutes at [www.kennedyheights.org](http://www.kennedyheights.org)

**M**ay is our KHCC Annual Canvas. Be ready with a smile when you see your Neighborhood Networker come by.

**This year's theme is "Polish the Jewel".**

Kennedy Heights is indeed a jewel in the crown of Cincinnati. We value diversity so much that we choose to live in a neighborhood that honors the whole family of humanity.

Your dollars to KHCC mean support for crime elimination, gardens, youth, the elderly, the anticipated KH Arts Center, our newsletter and website, sports programs, the neighborhood network and welcoming efforts.

We need to enhance our treasury as we enhance our pride in KH. Be generous. KHCC is all of us.....and with the implementation of our newly approved Comprehensive Community Plan.....the jewel will shine for years to come!

**Polish the Jewel !!!**

### Dumpster Daze!!!!

A supercan will be in front of 5815 Wyatt on May 10.

- Tires beside (not in) the dumpster.
- No yard waste.
- Residential, **not** commercial, use.

**Clean up debris!!**

### Shroder Scores on Proficiencies!!

Percentage of 10th Graders Passing in 2001-2002 (rounded off)

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- ➔ Meeting Minutes
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- ➔ Statistical Data
- ➔ Shroder Report Card
- ➔ Updated Often

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## GreenUp Day in KH Park

**Saturday May 3 9:00 am-1:00 pm**

Kate Kern, Kennedy Park Advisory Panel

**G**reenUp is the ideal volunteer opportunity to help out in Kennedy Heights Park. You'll feel great about giving your time and effort to the community in the company of like-minded neighbors!

**You'll also get a free t-shirt and lunch!**

→Wear work clothes. Bring garden gloves.

GreenUp is sponsored by the Park Board to encourage volunteer efforts in our parks. It can be a great one-day project for scouts and other youth groups. The Park Board provides equipment and knowledgeable personnel. All are welcome-no experience needed!

**RSVPs are appreciated – to help estimate number of t-shirts and lunches.**  
**Call**

**Kate Kern 351-0861 or**

**Lisa Pickering 531-2258**

**Advisory Council Meeting: May 18 at 2:00 pm in the park**

## Community Calendar

- ✓ 4/12: Rummage Sale
- ✓ 4/15: KHCC Meets
- ✓ 4/15: C.O.P. Training Starts
- ✓ 4/26: Litter Magic
- ✓ 5/3: GreenUp (KH Park)
- ✓ 5/6: Vote on School Levy
- ✓ 5/10: Dumpster Daze (Wyatt)
- ✓ 5/10: Sap Walk/Bike/Run
- ✓ 5/13: KHCC Exec Committee
- ✓ 5/17: Green-Up Day (Drake Pk)
- ✓ 5/18: Park Advisory Council
- ✓ 5/20: Perennials & Pastries

This year's work agenda:

- planting and dividing perennials
- planting seeds
- removing invasive plants
- spreading mulch
- picking up litter

## Kennedy Heights Community Council

President .....	Joshua Swain
Vice – President .....	Noel Morgan
Treasurer .....	Robert Kamp
Secretary .....	Sheral Foster

### Committees

Beautification .....	Mimi Gingold
Recreation .....	Carl Schmidt
Health, Env. & Safety .....	Joshua Swain
Education: .....	Margaret Peyton

Park Advisory Councils  
Kennedy: Katie Kern; Lisa Pickering  
Daniel Drake: Michelle Dragga

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Litter Magic: .....	Joanie Weidner
Landscape Awards .....	Joyce Hibbard
Neighborhood Networkers. ...	Kathy Spoon
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**Community Council Meets April 15 7:30 Vote on By-Law Amendment**