

Kennedy Heights News

June, 2005

Kennedy Heights Community Council



KHCC Needs You...& Your \$\$!

The time has come once again to ask for money.

KHCC has no dues. Levies no taxes.

In the past year KHCC has been fortunate in obtaining several grants. They make our budget look quite impressive. However, the grant funds are all earmarked for specific tasks and don't cover some of the organization's basic expenses.

Bob Kamp, KHCC treasurer for many years, has also been a dedicated fund raiser and ambassador. Chances are he's knocked on your door at least once.

Although Bob's retiring as treasurer this year you might still see him at the door in his fund raising hat. But you don't have to wait for Bob to knock.

5 Easy Pieces

- Pick up the colorful card & envelope that hit the floor when you opened your newsletter
- Write in your name, answer a few questions (or not)
- Fill in an amount in the "donation" box
- Write the same amount on your check.
- Place stamp...& post!

Noel Morgan
President, Editor

Progressive Dinner

September Edges Closer!

You can count on it. The Progressive Dinner will be on a Saturday in mid-September.

The specific date's not certain...but certainly either the 17th or 24th

Organizers will working through the summer to make it work. If you want to join the planners / organizers, call 531-4041.

We'll need:

- ✓ Dinner hosts
- ✓ Auction solicitors
- ✓ Ticket sellers
- ✓ Dessert makers
- ✓ Auction donors
- ✓ Coordinators

KHCC Votes: June 21

KHCC's annual election is at the June meeting...which means this month!

To be elected are 5 officers and 2 of 4 at-large members of the Board of Trustees. As of press time, the nominating committee's slate was missing one key position: President. Officers's terms are one-year. At large terms are 2 years.

President: _____

Admin. V. P.: Nece Bassett (Kennedy Ave.)

V.P. Community Development: Jennifer Hackman (Iris)

Treasurer: Kevin Holt (Rogers Park)

Secretary: Ernie Barbeau (Kinoll)

At-Large (2)

- Jason Modest (Kennedy)
- Van Foster (Kinoll)
- Josh Swain (McHugh)
- George West (Tyne)
- Ce Holm (Kinoll)
- Nominations will be accepted from the floor
- Plurality of all members voting is required to be elected to a position

Summerfest

Celebrating the Summer within the communities of Kennedy Heights, Amberly Village, & Pleasant Ridge.

That's the slogan adopted by the trans-neighborhood committee planning the first (of many to come) Summerfest.

Features Include

- Afternoon "Tropical" pool party at Pleasant Ridge Center
- Evening at the KH Arts Center, with cookout, music, & art exhibition.

Watch for signs & ads in July.

Laura Domenik Memorial

Friends and neighbors of Laura Domenik are planting a memorial tree on the grounds of the KH Arts Center.

Envelopes for contributions are available at the Arts Center.



CPOP Bumps Bridge

June 6, KH residents added a new dimension to the concrete bridge walls at Kennedy & Woodford.

The KHCC CPOP team observed that the bridge has long been a focal point for drug dealing and suspicious loitering. And it's not uncommon in good weather to see numerous guys sitting on the bridge walls.

The team wondered whether there was some way to make the bridge a less comfortable place.

Their solution: Bridge bumps. Hundreds of half-egg-shaped concrete bumps. Fabricated in Ben Pipkin's garage and glued down by enthusiastic residents.

The first set have been set into place. It took only a couple of hours for the cement to set. And once the full set has been placed, the bridge should no longer be such a great place to sit.

Free Lunch Poolside

In case you forgot your lunch, need a lunch, or are just plain hungry in the middle of a hot summer day, there's free lunch daily at the City's swimming pools (including P Ridge) for ages 17 and under. No fee, no registration, no questions. Just show up 15 minutes before lunch hour (call 369-4610 to confirm time).

Pools will close for 15-30 minutes for children to enjoy lunch. Adult swims and/or day camp group swims will be held during this time at pools with adult participants.

KHCC Meets

6/21/05 7:30 pm

KH Presbyterian Church

Domestic Violence Myth & Reality

Annual Election

Free Snacks

Domestic Violence: Debunking the Myths

Laura West, Tyne Ave.

KH CPOP Team

“CPOP” is short-hand for Community Problem Oriented Policing.

To help identify problems & determine the safety needs of our community, KH CPOP has been analyzing calls for police service.

We were surprised by the number of calls reporting domestic violence. So we invited Sandy Braslow from the Rape and Domestic Violence Center to our April meeting to educate us about domestic violence. She dispelled some of common myths about domestic violence:

Myth: Family violence is rare

Although statistics on family violence are not precise, it's clear that millions of children, women and even men are abused mentally and physically by family members.

Myth: Family violence is confined to low income households.

Reports from police records, victim services, and academic studies show domestic violence exists equally in every socioeconomic group, regardless of race or culture.

Myth: Alcohol and drug abuse are the real causes of domestic violence.

Domestic violence and substance abuse are two different problems that should be treated separately. Although drugs and alcohol can make the violence more extreme, they do not cause it. Abusers typically control their actions even when drunk or high, by choosing a time and places for the assaults that take place in private and go undetected. Successful completion of a drug treatment program does not guarantee an end to battering.

What can we do as Individuals or as a community ?

- Call the police if you see or hear evidence of domestic violence.
- Speak out publicly against domestic violence.
- Take action personally against domestic violence when a neighbor, co-worker, a friend, or family member is involved or being abused.
- Encourage your neighborhood watch or block association to become as concerned with watching for domestic violence as with burglaries and other crimes.
- Reach out to support someone whom you believe is a victim of domestic violence and/or talk with a person you believe is being abusive.

Learn More About Domestic Violence

Join us for the June Council meeting (June 21st, 7:30) when a representative from the Rape & Domestic Violence Center will be there to teach more about domestic violence and what we as a community can do to help prevent it.

Helpful Numbers in Cincinnati

Protect Hotline: **872-9252**
TTY **977-5545**

Adults Over Age 59
421-LIFE (5433)

Has the Sewer Backed Up Into Your Basement?

Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) has a new program to fix problems and pay for past damages...if the problems were caused by a problem in the public sewer.

As part of a court settlement, MSD will spend millions. And if you've ever had the sinking feeling of watching your basement fill from the drain upwards, you could be entitled to a share.

The program is called *Water in Basement*. The WIB claim: "Our goal is no more basement backups, period."

www.msdc.org
352-4900

The Numbers

Calls for service to KH address 2001-2004 Calls

| Rank | Subject | # Calls |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Resident Alarm | 668 |
| 2. | Family Trouble (non-violent) | 735 |
| 4. | Drug Sale/Use | 613 |
| 11. | Auto Theft | 247 |
| 19. | Domestic violence in progress | 147 |
| 20. | Neighbor Trouble | 128 |
| Total Calls | | 8330 |

2004 Calls

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|-----|-------------------------------|-----|
| 1. | Family Trouble | 206 |
| 4. | Drug Use/Sale | 147 |
| 10. | Auto theft | 76 |
| 11. | Neighbor Trouble | 50 |
| 17. | Domestic violence in progress | 45 |

36

of KH Streets identified in calls for domestic violence or family trouble" (2001-04). # of Streets in KH: 60.

11

of Addresses involved in 10 or more Domestic Violence or Family Trouble calls in 4 years.

The full set of police statistics is on your computer at www.kennedyheights.org.

Spotting the Dealers

Having lived in KH for almost thirty years, I had never witnessed a drug sale on my street until the last three weeks.

Together with several neighbors we have seen this pattern right in front of our houses at least six times:

- Two cars drive down the street.
- One of the cars pulls over and rolls window down.
- Conversation between the cars.
- Driver parks, exits car and gets into the other car.
- They drive away for less than one minute when the driver of the parked car is returned to his vehicle.
- Both leave.

**Miimi Gingold
Wyatt**

Highlights of KHCC General Meeting on 5/17/05

■ Shelley Bromberg (Beechview) asked that Council consider an appropriate memorial for Pace resident Laura Domenik. Mrs. Domenik's car was struck as she was turning onto Montgomery from Orchard. There were several suggestions, and the Board will follow-up.

Paint KH?

■ Representatives of Give Back Cincinnati explained their "Paint the Town" project and invited KHCC to apply to be "painted" in 2006. Paint the Town selects one neighborhood each year and, with the Community council's help, identifies as many as 25 homes that need a fresh paint job and help getting it done. With hundreds of volunteers they do all of the houses in a single day. At no cost to the homeowners.

Last year they painted Northside. On June 11 they will paint Madisonville. And next year, if we're selected, they will paint Kennedy Heights.

■ Board actions ratified: \$500 donation to the Juneteenth Festival; \$750 toward landscape contract with Charles Young (already budgeted).

■ Officer Engleman reported a rash of vehicle break-ins. A couple of arrests have been made, but it is uncertain whether they have all culprits.

Questions About Recreation Activities
at Woodford or Ridge Centers?

Karen Williams

631-5625 or 477-6678 cell

For Up-To-Date
KH News

Tune your computer to
www.kennedyheights.org

Redwood Carryout

3610 Woodford Cincinnati, Ohio 45213

HOURS: MON-THURS 10-11

FRI & SAT 10-12

SUN 12-10

With Drive Thru Window



Summer Litter Magic Clean-up

July 16, 2005

9-10:30 am

- Meet at the parking lot of the Kennedy Heights Presbyterian Church 6312 Kennedy Avenue
- Refreshments following the clean-up back at the church 10:30-11:00 am
- Free T-shirts to new volunteers
- Plastic gloves and clean-up gadgets provided
- Event will be cancelled if there is a heavy rain...will still happen if it's **only drizzling**

???

Joanie Weidner 631-0051

littermagic@kennedyheights.org

Report Crimes to
Officer Engleman: 979-4468

Christian Youth Center Enrolling & Hiring

- Pre-School/Toddler
 - Before & After School Programs
 - Now hiring for several positions
- Enrollment or career opportunities

In God's Hands

3808 Zinsle Avenue

792-0905

Advertisement

Dana Bateman, DDS
Complete Family Dentistry
6252 Montgomery Rd.

351-7252

Office Hours by Appointment

Advertisement



6096 Montgomery Road
Cincinnati, OH 45213
513.731.1400
513.458.6133 fax

Mullaney's

Pharmacy + Home health Care

9300 Kenwood Road
Cincinnati, OH 45242
513.793.6898
513.794.2761 fax

Pre-School Openings

The KH Montessori Center - a private parent cooperative for preschool and kindergarten--still has a few openings for the fall.

- ◆ Located in the Woodford School on Red Bank Rd.
- ◆ Half-day Montessori classes; 8:30-11 a.m. or 12:15-2:45 p.m.
- ◆ Full-day child care is available 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

More information

www.kennedyheightsmontessori.org
Joni Linchor Tracy Lundy 631-8135
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Landscape Nominator



Deadline: June 29

Rules: Nominate yourself or a neighbor; beauty must be street-visible.

Judging: First weekend of July

Photos of recent Winners are on-line
www.kennedyheights.org

Send nominations by June 27 to
Joyce Hibbard 6135 Kennedy Ave.
I nominate

(Name) _____

(Address) _____
for the 2005 KH Landscape Award.

Your Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Community Calendar

- 6/18-19** Juneteenth Festival
- 6/21** KHCC Election
- 7/30** Summerfair
- 9/20** KHCC Meets
- 9/?** Progressive Dinner

Juneteenth Festival

June 18-19 **Eden Park**

Celebrate end of slavery (officially ended in 1865, but we're still celebrating!)

Saturday 6/18 Noon-Nine

- ◆ 2 stages of music--gospel, jazz, reggae, R&B....& more
- ◆ Food (for sale)
- ◆ Health Screening
- ◆ Kids' Area

Free

Sunday 6/19 2-4 pm

- ◆ Father's Day Concert
- ◆ 7 or more great church choirs

Program & Details

www.juneteenthcincinnati.org

Why Visit www.kennedyheights.org ?

- ✓ Over 16,000 "hits" in 2004; keeping pace in 2005.
- ✓ Only source of KH news in summer!
- ✓ Will be updated often over the summer.
- ✓ Learn great stuff...& get involved !!!

KHCC Office Hours

- ◆ KHCC's new office is 6463 Kennedy
- ◆ Staffed by Donna Faulk, new KHCC support worker
- ◆ Office hours: Tues. & Thurs., 9-2
531-4041

Ridge Donut Shop

3186 Woodford Road • Cincinnati, Ohio 45213

631-4334

10% Discount on Dozen Donuts With This Ad



Design the KHCC T-Shirt

- Your design that best describes Kennedy Heights
- To be printed on KHCC T-shirts
- Prize: \$100 Savings Bond (& a shirt!)
- Entry deadline: **6/22/05**

Submit to KHCC Office
6463 Kennedy 531-4041

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