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# NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

NEWS BY, FROM, AND FOR THE KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY

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## NEW FOR SENIORS AT THE CARING PLACE



*Meeting needs. Promoting independence.*

**T**here's something new in Kennedy Heights! Thanks to the Cincinnati Area Senior Services, we have a Senior Services Coordinator. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sharon Hale will be at The Caring Place to help our senior citizens access

services and housing that may be available through federal, state, local and private organizations.

Kennedy Heights was chosen to pilot a dementia-inclusive community initiative, a joint venture of the Episcopal Retirement Services and the Cincinnati Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Focus groups working across Kennedy Heights will enable our seniors to continue to live well in our community with their support. **If you'd like to know more, call 513-536-6243.**

*Made possible through the work of our Aging in Community team.*

## CULTURAL CAMPUS WELCOMES THIRD TENANT

**A**ikido of Cincinnati has purchased the third and last unit at the Kennedy Heights Cultural Campus, currently home to the Kennedy Heights Montessori Center and the Carl, Robert, Richard and Dorothy Lindner Annex of the Kennedy Heights Arts Center. The unit will be transformed into Aikido's new *dojo*, which means "training place." This location will replace their current location on Red Bank Road. Aikido, often translated as "the way of harmonious spirit," teaches students the art of self-defense. It focuses on methods that redirect or evade an attacker's momentum, reducing the risk of injury. Their mission of creating harmony aligns with the community-building focus of the Campus. We are thrilled to have them in our neighborhood!



Aikido hopes to open their doors by December 1st. To learn more, visit [www.aikidocincy.org](http://www.aikidocincy.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, November 18**  
Thanksgiving basket distribution at The Caring Place. Volunteers needed 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Call The Caring Place 513-841-1499

**Saturday, November 18**  
Opening Reception IMAGINE 2017: Kennedy Collective Exhibition KH Arts Center 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, November 21**  
KH Community Council Meeting at KH Presbyterian Church 6:30 Free community dinner 7:30 Meeting: **ELECTIONS**

**Friday, December 1**  
Winterfest Various locations and times See back page

**Friday, December 8**  
Deadline for Jan/Feb. newsletter submissions Email Kate Elliott [katee@kennedyheights.org](mailto:katee@kennedyheights.org)

**Saturday, December 10**  
Artist Talk at KH Arts Center 1:00 p.m.

**Saturday, December 16**  
Christmas gift distribution at The Caring Place. Volunteers needed 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Call The Caring Place 513-841-1499

## WINTERFEST 2017: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1



In the spirit of the season, our neighborhood celebration returns to light up your holidays! Sponsored by Kennedy Heights and Pleasant Ridge, the 12th annual Winterfest will occur on Friday, December 1. Join us for an evening packed with fun and FREE festivities for all ages.

From 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center, 5915 Ridge Ave, families will enjoy games, crafts, refreshments, entertainment and visits with Santa.

Down the street at the Kennedy Heights Arts Center (Kennedy Mansion), you can "Sip & Shop" from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Enjoy complimentary hot cocoa while viewing the annual Kennedy Collective exhibition. You can also browse the art shop for unique gifts created by local artists!

Conclude your evening at the Lindner Annex (at the corner of Kennedy and Montgomery) with a family-friendly party beginning at 7:00 p.m. Enjoy holiday carols from local church and temple choirs at the start of the evening, then music by a local band starting at 8:00 p.m. There will be food, holiday treats, and a cash bar until 10:00 p.m.



Winterfest 2016 photo booth

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**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

**H**ello and goodbye, my Kennedy Heights family! By the time you read this I will be in California where I started this journey called life. Kennedy Heights has been home to me for the past seven years and many of you have been like family to me. This the best the neighborhood I have ever lived in and I will miss you dearly. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as Community Council president over the past three years.

As I shared with my former employer, Kroger, we all have a purpose. Whether it's your role at work, with family, friends, community or even country, purpose is the reason we do things or why something exists. Some are more important than others, but they all have a reason. I had a purpose when I moved to Cincinnati twelve years ago from Seattle. Now my purpose has shifted. I am at a point in my life where I feel it's time for me to focus more on my family out west. Family comes first, and I am leaving to be closer to my family.



*KHCC honored Dan at his last meeting, September 19*

I ask you to keep Kennedy Heights inclusive and diverse and step up by volunteering! There are many ways to get involved in our great neighborhood. It is the good work of residents that makes a difference in this community, and there is no age too young or too old. Each November, Community Council Board members are elected for one-year terms, and trustee-at large terms are for two years. We need a leader to take my place – someone who has experience in leadership roles or is a good role model to represent the neighborhood. The key tasks of the president are to lead Council and Board meetings, appoint committee chairs, represent KHCC in the area, and provide overall direction and guidance to KHCC activities.

You can also get involved by joining a committee for our events like Winterfest, Progressive Dinner, Aging in Community, the 5K SAP Run, beautification, safety, communication and more. We have a lot of work left to do and we need passionate people to keep the momentum of Kennedy Heights going. Please email KHCC@kennedyheights.org to share your gifts!

-Dan Kasprovicz  
KH Community Council President

**FRIENDS OF KENNEDY HEIGHTS, APRIL-SEPTEMBER 2017**

We extend our thanks to those who contributed as a Friend of Kennedy Heights in April thru September 2017. Your support makes our neighborhood programs and projects possible. Send your gift to KHCC, PO Box 36318, 45236 or donate online at www.kennedyheights.org. Every gift counts!

If we have inadvertently omitted your name, please inform us.

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**WINTER BREAK ART CAMPS AT KENNEDY HEIGHTS ART CENTER**

**K**eepthe kids busy and using their imaginations during Winter Break in a creative one-day camp! Available for kids ages 5-12. Camps are offered December 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22. Each camp runs from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. daily. After-Care is available for all camps from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. for a fee of \$10 per day/per child. Sliding scale fees are available for those in financial need.

Camp descriptions and registration can be found at [www.kennedyarts.org](http://www.kennedyarts.org) or call 513-631-4278.

## PLEASANT RIDGE LIBRARY

Please note that some events/classes require pre-registration, which can be done in person at the branch, online at [www.cincinnati.library.org](http://www.cincinnati.library.org), or by calling 513-369-4488. For questions about any of the events or classes, please contact the branch. Please check the branch calendar for possible additions to the schedule. There's lots of FREE fun in store for children and adults at the library.

### ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED NOVEMBER 23RD FOR THANKSGIVING!

### ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED DECEMBER 24TH AND 25TH FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY!

**Art for Kids!** Ages 4–12.  
Tues. 11/21, 12/19. 4:00 p.m.

**Cool Science!** Advanced registration requested. Ages 5–12.  
Thurs. 11/02, 12/14. 4:00 p.m.

**Con Artist's Playbook!** Adults. Learn how AARP's Fraud Watch Network can give you the tools you need to protect your identity, recognize scams and keep con artists at bay.  
Wed. 11/15. 1:00 p.m.

**Family Literacy Fun: Happy Thanksgiving!** Stories, crafts, and sweet treats. Children must be accompanied by adult. Ages 0-6.  
Sat. 11/18. 2:00 p.m.

**Family Literacy Fun: Happy Holidays!** Holiday stories, songs, crafts, and treats. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages 0-6 yrs.  
Sat. 12/16. 2:00 p.m.

**Get Crafty.** Pre-registration required. Call 369-4488 or sign up at the branch. Adults, Teens.  
Mon. 11/20, 12/18. 6:00 p.m.

**Hawaiian Beach Party!** Registration required.  
Sat. 11/04. 2:00 p.m.

**Let's Go Lego & Other Building Bricks.** Get ideas from our Lego books, then build with Legos, Duplos and other building blocks! Ages 3–12.  
Fri. 11/24, 12/22. 4:00 p.m.

**Make It, Take It Craft!** Teens. Melted crayon pumpkin.  
Mon. 11/20. 4:00 p.m.

**Maker Monday.** Teens. Strawbees. Build little to huge mechanical objects from just straws and cardboard.  
Mon. 11/13, 12/11. 4:00 p.m.

**Pajama Storytime!** Families.  
Tues. 11/28, 12/26. 6:30 p.m.

**Pleasant Ridge Book Club.** Adults.  
Thurs. 11/16. 2:00 p.m.

**REACH Club.** Registration required. Space is limited.  
Sat. 11/4. 11:00 a.m.

**Tales to Tails!**  
Thurs. 11/09. 4:00 p.m.  
Thurs. 11/30. 3:30 p.m.

**Teen Chef!** Teens.  
Mon. 12/18. 4:00 p.m.

**The Joy of Classical Indian Dancing:** Bharatnatyam, a demonstration by 11-year-old Aabha Phadke! All ages welcome.  
Sat. 12/02. 2:00 p.m.

**Tropical Beach Party!** Registration required.  
Sat. 11/04. 2:00 p.m.

**Word Processing Basics.** Learn the basics of Microsoft Word 2007. Topics include copying and pasting, changing fonts, margins and indentations, line spacing and more. Registration required. Adults.  
Thurs. 11/16. 6:00 p.m.

**Zoo on the Move!**  
Tues. 11/7. 4:00 p.m.

**STORY TIMES**  
Join us for one of our story times:

**Library Babies!** Ages 0–3.  
Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.  
11/08, 11/22, 12/06, 12/20

**Toddler Time!** Ages 0–3.  
Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.  
11/15, 11/29, 12/13, 12/27

**Preschool Story Time!** Registration required. Ages 3–6.  
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.  
11/08, 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/06, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27

## 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF DISTRICT A



where  
**ARTS+COMMUNITY**  
KENNEDY HEIGHTS & PLEASANT RIDGE meet



**T**hank you, Kennedy Heights! District A, where art + community meet in Kennedy Heights and Pleasant Ridge, is celebrating our 10th anniversary in 2018. We are grateful for ALL that you've contributed since 2008—every contribution unites and strengthens our two neighborhoods.

We look forward to celebrating with you in 2018. We dedicate the next year to discovering YOUR dreams and ideas for an ever more vibrant future. If there is one thing we've learned over the past decade, it is that each one of us makes us all better together!

Stay informed of the latest news by visiting our website: [www.district-a.org/](http://www.district-a.org/)

## SAY HELLO TO SCRAP IT UP!



*Scrap It Up Founders (left to right): Mary Lennard, Kathy Michel, Beth Muething, Amy Dennison, Mindy Burger*

**A**fter two years of planning, **Scrap It Up is now open!** The non-profit creative reuse center in Pleasant Ridge is located at 5933 Ridge Ave.

Scrap It Up is a community resource for artists, students, parents, teachers, Scouts - anyone in need of affordable materials! Volunteers will offer classes and workshops, as well as display sample projects that patrons can make in a class or at home.

The store is a completely volunteer-driven project and helps raise environmental awareness in children and adults by showing that multiple uses are possible for items that may have previously been thrown away. By collecting and providing access to a wide range of materials, Scrap It Up shows the potential for reuse, making it easier for people to develop new skills, be creative, and think outside the box. The store is broadening and enhancing the local economy, responding to a demand for upcycling and repurposing of materials, inspiring people to rethink consumer habits, and lowering demand for and environmental costs of newly made items. All income received from the sale of materials is reinvested in the mission.

The shop will be open Tuesday - Friday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. For an extensive list of materials that Scrap It Up will accept from individuals and businesses, find them on Facebook at [facebook.com/scrapnati](https://www.facebook.com/scrapnati).

**CONGRATULATIONS, LANDSCAPE AWARD WINNERS!**

In mid July, the Kennedy Heights Landscape Awards Committee (Carolyn Thompson, Jane Patty, and Michele Dragga, Chair) evaluated 12 beautiful landscapes that had been nominated for an award. Because the field was so strong we selected in addition to the five winning landscapes, two recipients for Honorable Mention. Each winner was asked "What is your favorite part of your garden?"

**THE WINNERS**



**Tyrone and Sherrie Broadus • 6418 Mchugh Place**

Tyrone and Sherrie have lived in Kennedy Heights for 26 years, and this is their second win in the KH Landscape Award Contest. Sherrie's favorite part of her garden is her two fountains. One is a two-tiered fountain in front of the house. The second was designed by her daughter Carla and constructed with help from Tyrone from a baby grand piano. The sound of the trickling water is Sherrie's therapy and brings her a sense of peace.



**Jean and John Bange • 3821 Davenant Avenue**

The Banges moved to Kennedy Heights on May 1, 1988. Jean enjoys watching the progression of the flowers as they change through the seasons. John likes his hillside garden. Of all the gardens on their property, this is the most work to maintain, but he enjoys working there, even pulling the weeds. It's a peaceful place.



**Sarah and Brett Harmeling • 6406 McHugh Place**

Though Sarah has lived in Kennedy Heights for only five years, this is her second time winning a KH Landscape Award. Brett maintains the turf, and Sarah, with help from her mother, Gretchen Theissen, does the flower gardens. Sarah's favorite part of the garden is the perennials planted with annuals for accent. She looks forward to watching how they grow and change through the seasons.

**CONGRATULATIONS, LANDSCAPE AWARD WINNERS! (cont)**



**Tony and Rosa Williams • 3808 Dunloe Avenue**

Twenty years ago on New Year's Eve, Tony and Rosa moved to Kennedy Heights. Through those years, Tony has looked forward to his favorite time of year: summer in the garden. He particularly likes to sit on his deck overlooking the garden that he calls The Necklace, an artful and beautifully maintained ring of flowers accented with white marble and red mulch.



**Jeff and Tammy Lotz • 6424 Iris Avenue**

Jeff and Tammy have lived on Iris Avenue for 16 years, but they've lived in Kennedy Heights for 33 years. In fact, Tony won a KH Landscape Award at his previous house. His favorite part of his current garden is the view he enjoys while sitting on his patio appreciating the plants, the sculpture, and the hard work that made it all come together.

**HONORABLE MENTIONS**

- Dave Jardine • 3441 Woodford Road
- James and Lillian Brown • 6012 Red Bank Road

**YOUR TAXES AT WORK: CINCINNATI NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPORT PROGRAM**

**E**ach year the City of Cincinnati allocates funds to neighborhoods through the Department of Community and Economic Development. This year we will receive \$6,800 to help publish our bimonthly newsletter, which is mailed to over 2500 households in Kennedy Heights. We are one of the few neighborhoods that publish a newsletter and we hope you find it informative. Thank you for your dedicated readership.



The Neighborhood Support funds are also used to pay other neighborhood benefits: the insurance required for our Community Council, and support for the Arts Center, Juneteenth and District A. This is your tax dollars coming back to our neighborhood!