

Kennedy Heights News

June, 2004

Kennedy Heights Community Council



Don't Wait for Bob!

KHCC has no dues--all it takes to belong is residence at a KH address (& if you received the KH News at home, you're "in"!). You can--and are encouraged to--attend all KHCC functions, vote, serve on committees, and, of course, run for elective office.

No dues...but bills do have to be paid....so, each spring residents/members are asked to make a donation to KHCC.

Over the years Treasurer Bob Kamp has knocked on most of the doors in Kennedy Heights, asking for donations to KHCC. As we did last year, we're giving you a chance to beat Bob to punch: Use the self-addressed envelope that fluttered to the floor when you opened your newsletter. Your check should need only one fold to fit!

Dual Purpose Card

We've also enclosed a blue (at least that's the color we told the printer!) card that should fit the envelope.

Even if you don't enclose a donation, we hope you'll "register" with KHCC. In addition to knowing who you are and how to find you, it would be very helpful to have some indication as to your possible interests....and your thoughts as to what KHCC should be doing.

The envelope needs only your stamp, the blue card and (perhaps) your check.



Summer Break

KHCC has no general meetings planned for July or August. There also will be no newsletter in July. We will publish in August only if events warrant.

The website will be well-maintained. So check it regularly.

www.kennedyheights.org

State Nixes Cave Permit

The Ohio Liquor Control Division has denied the Beverage Cave's application for a permit to sell beer & wine in the drive-thru pony keg it wants to build on the old Richie's lot.

It is obvious that the presence of some 150 residents--and the testimony of dozens--was key to this community victory. The decision reflects the wide range of issues that were stressed by residents' at the hearing.

- The proposed business would interfere with the community's efforts to revitalize and regain control of an area that has suffered from drugs and prostitution.
- Open container consumption is already a problem and would be worsened by sales at the Cave.
- The site is within 500 feet of June Alexander Park and Cornerstone Baptist Church, which already has problems associated with alcohol use.
- Residents are concerned about the increase in traffic.
- "This area is intricately connected to providing services to vulnerable members of the KH neighborhood--children, developmentally disabled persons, and elderly."

The Beverage Cave has the right to appeal this decision--and it probably will. The appeal must be filed by June 5. The appeals hearing will be in Columbus and could be as late as November or December.

Special recognition to Richard Cooke (Rogers Park Pl.) who lived up to his email address:

StopTheCave!@kenedyheights.org

**Report Crimes to
Officer Engleman: 979-4468**

**Report Drug Deals
Sgt. Ibold: 979-4420**

Nominees for Board of Trustees

KHCC's annual election will be at the June 15 Council meeting.

The nominating committee (Sheral Foster, Mimi Gingold, & Ce Holm) have proposed the following slate:

- President: Noel Morgan (Orchard)
- Vice President, Administration: Charles Clingman (Red Bank)
- Secretary: Ernest Barbeau (Kinoll)
- Treasurer: Bob Kamp (Wyatt)

Members at Large

- NeCe Bassett (Kennedy)
- Van Foster (Kinoll)
- Kathy Spoon (Valley View)
- Joshua Swain (McHugh)

The committee was unable to identify a willing nominee for the position of vice President for Development.

Duane Holm and Hilda Coaston were nominated from the floor at the May Council meeting but have declined.

In addition to the proposed slate, the floor will be open for nominations at the June 15 Council meeting.

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KHCC Meets

June 15 7:30 pm
KH Presbyterian Church
Board of Trustees Election

Child Care Provided

Minutes of KHCC General Meeting May 18

(This is a summary of highlights; complete minutes are posted at www.kennedyheights.org) Sheral Foster, Secretary

Resolutions Adopted

\$500 donation to 2004 Juneteenth Festival--which originated as a KHCC committee in 1987 and still has its roots firmly in KH

Announcements

- The State Liquor board denied the Beverage Cave's application for a license. Richard Cook, A. Gerhardtstein and the police were all recognized for their contributions.
- Inclement weather created challenges for Litter Magic.
- Sap Run's kitchen crew was commended for a wonderful breakfast.
- Richard Cooke announced the official opening for the Arts Center on 6/19 and asked for volunteers.
- Amy Krings of CPOP (Community Problem Oriented Policing) urged residents to attend the training session at the church on 5/27. Learn more about CPOP and the SARA community problem solving process.

Used Car Lot Coming to Tyne Corner

Sil Watkins (Ril Deal Auto) described his plan for a used car lot on the corner of Tyne & Montgomery in the former landscape office.

- Hours: 10 am to 7 pm Monday thru Saturday.
- 15-18 "classic" cars (mid-1980's)
- Mr. Watkins assured KHCC there would be no "open hoods," neon signs, or painted windows at the site and that landscaping, property maintenance and litter removal would be top priorities.

Suggestions were made to assess if the Real Deal Auto business is compatible with the Comprehensive Plan. Although there is no zoning restriction, a request was made to the Community & Office Development committee to find out the maximum number of cars allowed.



Ril Deal's present car lot in College Hill

Fire Report

- 68 KH "runs" in April: 2 fires, 60 EMS, 6 other.
- Fire stations have free carbon monoxide & smoke detectors.

Police Report

- Officer Engleman reported that there is now payment for voluntary OT for the bike patrol.
- Successful Block Watch meeting for Northdale Place.
- Residents continue to report their frustration with the drug problem in the area. Contact Sergeant Ibold at 979-4420 and also contact the chair of the Health and Safety Committee at 382-2894 when observing illegal incidents. Officer E. will also check on the availability of Drug Free Zone Signs.

New Baby Sitter

Anna Turley (Kennedy Ave.) has agreed to provide baby-sitting services at the council meetings.

Committee Reports

CODC (Van Foster)

- The *Neighborhood Walk* on 5/13 was a great success. There were more high-ranking city officials than neighborhood residents. This was a great opportunity to inform officials of various issues, and they all appeared to be taking notes & making calls.
- Josh Swain was recognized for organizing the walk and for his continuing contribution to the committee as the liaison to the City for KH.

Education (Ce Holm)

Continuing effort to persuade the school board & administration of the merits of locating a school on the board-owned property at the corner of Kennedy & Montgomery.

Because Silverton residents understandably want the new school to be built on the existing site (Stewart Rd. & Stoll Lane in Silverton) KHCC should seek a mediator to help the two communities resolve our differences..

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Housing (Bruce Long)

Bruce solicited volunteers to help an elderly Kennedy Ave. resident overcome building code violations. Volunteers are needed to help with painting, landscape & lawn work, and removal of a dilapidated garage. Sign up sheets were available at the meeting--and several folks have volunteered.

Recreation (Karen Thomas)

Karen Thomas and Melissa Smith announced various activities at the PR center and Kennedy Park including swimming, tennis and yoga.

Nominations for Board Election

All nine seats on the KHCC Board of Trustees are up for election in June. Please send suggestions to Sheral Foster via email.

The council unanimously accepted two nominations for member at large: NeCe Bassett and Duane Holm. The nominating committee's slate will be printed in *KH News* and on the website.

Targeting Crime Northdale Block Watch

Northdale Place residents and property owners had their first block meeting on May 6.

Officer Engleman provided many good tools and ideas to help with some of their concerns. Those present agreed to erect block watch signs on Northdale and look into reopening the police sub station on Northdale Place.

If any other streets are interested in setting up a block watch or have questions contact Donna Faulk, Network Coordinator.

351-8848

donna@kennedyheights.org.

CPOP Plans

CPOP is the problem-solving structure that the City adopted as part of the post-riot "collaborative"

On May 27 about a dozen residents met with a CPOP outreach worker and two police officers for training in the CPOP's problem-solving approach to neighborhood concerns.

It appears likely that KHCC will work through the CPOP system to identify ways to reduce drug-related crime along Kennedy Avenue.

If you want to be part of the solution, you can join in the process by attending the next CPOP meeting.

June 22 7:30

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Scholastic Honors

Purcell Marian Valedictorian

McKenzie Kugler (Orchard Lane) graduated at the top of her class (Valedictorian) at Purcell Marian.

She has been awarded a full tuition scholarship to Ohio Wesleyan, where she will study international relations.

Robertson Scholar

Lena Eastin (Pace) has been selected as a Robertson Scholar at the University of North Carolina. The Seven Hills Senior was one of 15 students chosen from nearly 19,000 applicants to UNC.

She will receive a "full ride" including, a stipend, study abroad, support for research, and a laptop computer.

Lena plans to study international relations, French and Spanish.

Everybody's BackYard Picnic July 27 Drake Park

- Free food & drinks
- Games
- Arts & Crafts
- Entertainment
- Neighborhood Fun!!

Sponsors

Park Board...Recreation Commission...
KHCC

Juneteenth Festival

June 19 Noon to Nine Eden Park

The Festival has been in Eden Park of the past 10 years, but it started in Drake Park and is firmly rooted in Kennedy Heights.

- ◆ Celebrates the end of slavery in 1865.
- ◆ All kinds of music (blues, jazz, reggae, gospel, R&B, hip-hop)

◆ Family event with supervised kids' area--and no alcohol.

◆ Health screenings by qualified doctors 7 nurses.

◆ Everything's free but the food and the art, clothing, etc., you buy from the various vendors.

Progressive Dinner September ??

The specific date's not yet fixed. But you can bet it will be near the end of September...and you don't want to miss it!

The *Kennedy News* takes a summer break, so this is your advance alert.

Over the summer Progressive volunteers will be collecting items for the silent auction and lining up dinner hosts.

If this sounds like your project, call Council's message number (531-4041) or email dinner@kennedyheights.org.

KH Arts Center Opportunities

The Kennedy Heights Arts Center's Grand Opening will be on June 19.

The Center will have a series of events and art exhibits in the following weeks.

The Center also is looking for volunteer help:

- Cleaners: Thursdays 9 am to 5 pm are cleaning days
- Landscape coordinator
- Tour guides: 10 volunteers for 2 hour shifts on opening day;
- Ambassadors: To solicit funding.

631-4ART

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Ridge Market Pork Fest

**Saturday June 12
10-3**

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At the PR Library

- 6/5: ReadQuest kickoff; (2-4)
- 6/5-7/31: ReadQuest (kids & teens)
- 6/12: African Drumming (11:00 a.m.)
- 6/23: Storybook Puppeteers (10:30)
- 7/17: Newport Aquarium (11:00)

Teen volunteers needed

Competitive Landscapes !

You could be a winner in the 17th annual KH Landscape Contest.

Have you or a neighbor improved landscaping so that all who walk or ride by can enjoy the beauty?

The competition's fierce but friendly...and self-nominations are accepted !

Rules: Must be visible from the street; have not won a landscape award before.

Judging: First weekend in July.

Photos of '02 & '03 Winners are on-line

www.kennedyheights.org

I nominate

(Name) _____

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for the 2003 KH Landscape Award.

Your Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Send nominations to **Joyce Hibbard**
 c/o KHCC, P.O. Box 36448
 Cincinnati, OH 45236, by June 28.
 email to:
landscape@kennedyheights.org

Community Calendar

- 6/15: KHCC Election
- 6/19: Juneteenth Festival
- 6/19: Arts Center Grand Opening
- 6/22: CPOP Meeting
- 6/28: Recreation Committee Meets
- 7/27: Backyard Picnic (Drake Park)
- 9/21: KHCC Meets
- 9/25 (??) Progressive Dinner

Summer Swim Pleasant Ridge Pool

- Pool Open: 6/7-8/13
- Season Pass: \$5; use at any City pool
- Swim lessons: \$30 for 3 week session

Register 6/7; start 6/14 or 7/1

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Pool Jobs

The Recreation Commission is hiring 370 responsible people for pool manager and lifeguard positions at its 41 summer pool facilities.

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Lifeguard training provided for 15 and older. Adults and seniors are encouraged to apply.

For an application and additional information: 357-POOL (7665).

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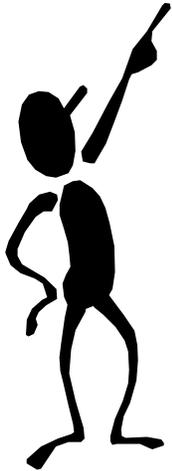
Election for Board of Trustees !!

Web Readers

This is the card that was enclosed in the mailed newsletter.

Save postage--send us an email with the information (alas, you can't email your check, however)

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KHCC Resident Member Registry

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Occupations in Household:

Kids (sub-18) in household: _____

Possible KHCC Committee Involvement

- Beautification Safety Housing Education
 Fund Raising Youth Seniors Recreation
 Hope to attend Progressive Dinner in September
 Hope to attend at least one Community Council meeting

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Resident Member Donation

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