

# Kennedy Heights News

May 2006

Kennedy Heights Community Council



## Kennedy Heights Nights Out Ben Pipkin, CPOP Chair

CPOP is shorthand for Community Problem Oriented Policing. The KH CPOP team has been active for over a year and meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the KHCC office. CPOP's mission is to identify specific community problems and devise specific ways to address them. CPOP's focus has been on criminal activity along Kennedy Avenue. Everyone is welcome at the meetings.

At the April CPOP meeting we came up with the idea of holding picnics at various places along Kennedy Ave. this summer to increase the number of people out doing good things on a street where there is a perception that anyone who is there must be doing something bad.

### Saturday May 20th, 6-8 pm Woodford and Kennedy Aves

Various community groups and police will join together and encourage all to come out and enjoy being a community.

Let's barbecue, play basketball, board games, and tennis, throw Frisbees, enjoy music, and the arts! Bring your lawn chairs, and blankets.

Walk down to the corner of Woodford and Kennedy with your families to send the message that:  
**We're taking back our streets!**

### KHCC Election Nears

The competition will never be as keen as Kerry v Bush or even Schmidt v McEwen. In fact, there's generally little competition at all.

But don't let that diminish in your eyes the importance of service on the KHCC Board of Trustees. An opportunity for community of the best kind.

The KHCC Board is made up of 5 officers and 4 at-large seats. Only two at-large seats are "safe." The remainder will be voted in (or out) at the June meeting.

The nominations committee will have its proposed slate at the May 16 meeting. Nominations will also be welcome from the floor.

### KHCC Meets

Tues 5/16/06 7:30 pm  
KH Presbyterian Church

[www.kennedyheights.org](http://www.kennedyheights.org)

We intend to make this a regular occurrence (at different locations) throughout the spring and summer. You can help by donating a package of hot dog buns, chips, condiments, or any picnic items. If everybody donates something, it will be a great event that will be simple (and inexpensive) enough to continue throughout the summer.

Non-perishable donations (including, of course, money) can be dropped off at the KHCC Office at 6463 Kennedy Ave. on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 2 and 5.

**Let's make this statement together. It is time that we reclaim our streets!**

### Woodford Openings

Woodford Paideia has openings for kindergartners (fall, 2006).

Principal Cindi Minnefield enthusiastically invites Kennedy Heights parents to get your applications in ASAP

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### Litter Magic Cleans Up!

Joanie Weidner, Coordinator

Thirty-nine volunteers showed up to clean up Kennedy Heights on April 22. All did a great job in this annual country-wide event, the Great American Clean-up.

We picked up **60** bags of trash and removed a lot of honeysuckle from Kennedy Park.

Councilman David Crowley was there to cheer us on and saw what we already know — Kennedy Heights has the best community spirit in town!



### The Secret's Out!

Somebody leaked the secret of KH to the media. The culprit has yet to be identified, but the cat's definitely out of the bag!

Here's how *Cincinnati Magazine* teases it's cover story:

### TEN GREAT LITTLE NEIGHBORHOODS

*These 10 sweet spots are the area's best-kept residential secrets, enclaves of charm, character, and (sometimes) incredible home values. Wait till you see what you've been missing.*

Kennedy Heights didn't just make their top ten list....KH led the pack, with a full page photo of the Gerhardtstein-Gingold residence on Wyatt.

You can be assured that KHCC will have reprints available...and, of course, you could also buy the magazine.

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## Kennedy Heights Sets Record for Liquor Appeal Hearing

Noel Morgan, Editor

April 13, over 80 KH residents and friends took time from their busy schedules to send a powerful message to the Ohio Liquor Commission:

### No Beverage Cave!!

The occasion was the SKYY Properties appeal of the state's refusal to grant a license to build the Beverage Cave, a drive-thru pony keg, in the heart of KH.

For those who could not make the trip, here are some highlights.

- Cornerstone Baptist Church and KHCC each chartered a bus. To assure no one went hungry, Cornerstone provided sack lunches for all!
- After prayerful preparation in the Cornerstone sanctuary, the buses loaded & headed north on I-71.
- Most folks wore white t-shirts with "I Love Kennedy Heights" across the heart.
- All 80+ filed into and filled the hearing room.
- The chair: "We've very impressed! I'm guessing that everyone with a "Kennedy Heights" t-shirt is here to oppose this permit."
- The chair then swore us all in, and one-by-one we stood and testified simply and directly, "My name is....and I oppose this permit."
- Because we were all potential witnesses, we were then ushered back out of the room as the hearing proceeded with testimony from three police officers, Dr. Dana Bateman, Richard Cooke, and State Rep. Tyrone Yates.



- Tyrone had gone the extra mile, arriving at 11:30 with a letter of support for KH and patiently waiting to testify at about 4:00.
- The hearing adjourned at 5:00...and has been continued for testimony by more KH witnesses at some yet-to-be-announced date.
- Back onto the buses...returning about 7:00 whence we began...at the corner of Kennedy & Montgomery where, if the residents have their way, there will be no Beverage Cave!

**Said one Liquor staffer: We've had large groups before, but this one breaks all records!!**

You can find a link to photos of the trip at [www.kennedyheights.org](http://www.kennedyheights.org).



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### Juneteenth Aims for Electric Slide Record

In addition to the usual reasons to attend the Juneteenth Festival (June 17-18): Helping to set the Guinness world record for the most people in an **electric slide** line dance.

For more information: Lydia Morgan, 631-7289

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## You and the 'Hood

Ernie Barbeau

President, Kennedy Heights Community Council

As you read this newsletter it will become obvious that there are many good things happening in and for our neighborhood, and all because of neighbors giving of their time, talent, and treasure. We have Sap Run, the liquor permit hearing in Columbus, terrific programs and activities at the Arts Center, Citizens on Patrol, etc.; and, there is an excellent article about us in *Cincinnati Magazine*.

But, we still have many other plans and dreams for improving the quality of life in our neighborhood, and of how to broadcast the good news about our neighborhood. Those plans and dreams are predicated on having more residents involved in developing and implementing those dreams and plans. Your neighborhood needs your talent, time, and treasure. Here are some areas where we need more volunteers.

- We want to welcome new residents in a very special way...but we need one or two volunteers to organize and provide that welcome.
- Education Committee**, such as being a tutor at Woodford, and in planning how we can be more supportive of Kennedy Heights kids (*Ce Holm* 531-9048; [ce@kennedyheights.org](mailto:ce@kennedyheights.org))
- Progressive Dinner**, such as being a host family, selling tickets, planning the event (*Donna Faulk*, 531-9048 [donna@kennedyheights.org](mailto:donna@kennedyheights.org))
- Recreation and Parks**, such as planning events, identifying needs and services, service on the park advisory councils for Drake and Kennedy (*Karen Thomas*, 531-9048, [karen@kennedyheights.org](mailto:karen@kennedyheights.org))
- Newsletter & website**: Collect news, write pieces, maintain (improve) the website, take over the whole shebang! (*Noel Morgan*, 631-7289, [noel@kennedyheights.org](mailto:noel@kennedyheights.org))
- Beautification**: Plan & carry out projects, judge landscape competition, etc. (*Joyce Hibbard* 531-4041)
- Litter Patrol**: Adopt-A-Spot; join in Litter Magic's seasonal cleanup walks (*Joanie Weidner* 631-0051, [joanie@kennedyheights.org](mailto:joanie@kennedyheights.org))
- Development**: Work on development plans for the Montgomery Road Business Corridor (*Van Foster*, [van@kennedyheights.org](mailto:van@kennedyheights.org), 531-4041)
- Citizens on Patrol**: Receive police training & walk neighborhood streets with other residents (*Joshua Swain*, 631-7281, [josh@kennedyheights.org](mailto:josh@kennedyheights.org))
- CPOP**: Partner with police & residents to analyze problems & devise & implement solutions (*Ben Pipkin*, 351-0650 [ben@kennedyheights.org](mailto:ben@kennedyheights.org))
- Youth**: One of the thorniest issues we face is how to provide positive outlets for youthful energy. (*Kathy Tyler*, 531-4041, [kathy@kennedyheights.org](mailto:kathy@kennedyheights.org))
- Board of Trustees**: Take the real plunge & throw your ring in the hat for a seat on the KHCC Board of Trustees. Nominations at the May meeting. Election is in June

This list, of course, only scratches the surface. If you have other interests--or want to address issues that didn't make my list, contact Donna Faulk at 531-4041 ([donna@kennedyheights.org](mailto:donna@kennedyheights.org)) or me at 396-6968 ([ernie@kennedyheights.org](mailto:ernie@kennedyheights.org)).

Ernie

## KHCC Priorities List

Each year the City asks neighborhoods to submit their priorities for City-funded projects. A wish list that the City now limits to three. As with all wishes, none, some, or all could be granted.

The KHCC Board of Trustees has submitted the following for 2006-07:

- Repaving Daniel Drake Park
- Designing "gateways" into KH
- Improving the Zinsle Ave. Tot Lot.

## Grant Applications

### Parking Lot

With the help of Clete Benken (KKG) and Jim Zarnowiecki (KH Arts Center), KHCC Development chair Van Foster submitted a preliminary proposal for a grant to build a 29-space parking lot on the Arts Center's grounds to provide parking for the business district and the Center.

### Promotional Brochure

Kathy Buckley took the lead on writing a proposal for a "merit grant" from Invest in Neighborhoods.

The grant would pay for design and printing of a promotional brochure for new residents, business owners and other stakeholders to help increase the awareness of the Community Council and promote a positive perception of the Kennedy Heights neighborhood.

## Summer Police Patrol

*Ben Pipkin, CPOP*

The Police Department will schedule extra Officers to patrol Kennedy Heights this summer.

The uniformed officers will be dedicated to Kennedy Heights and will patrol at various times of the week. The schedule will vary, but it will be several times per week.

The Department obtained a grant to pay for this program.

**Show your support. Give the Officers a wave.**

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## Landscape Nomination



**Deadline:** June 26

**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](http://www.kennedyheights.org)

Send nominations by June 26 to  
**Joyce Hibbard** 6135 Kennedy Ave.  
I nominate

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## Community Calendar

- 5/16 KHCC Meets
- 5/20 KH Night Out With CPOP
- 6/3 Juneteenth Freedom Tour
- 6/17 Juneteenth Festival Eden Park
- 6/18 Father's Day Concert Eden Park
- 6/20 KHCC Election
- 6/27 CPOP Meets



## Got News to Share?

KHCC has a long tradition of publishing the *Kennedy News*, with free delivery to some 3,000 KH homes.

We do a pretty good job of relaying news about what KHCC is doing--but not so good (often lousy) at spreading news about what our residents are doing.

For the June issue we'd like to give attention to graduates--at all levels. You identify the graduates and their accomplishments, we'll write the headlines & profiles.

### June Deadline: June 2

(but sooner is better)

Graduates are obvious features for June...your other suggestions and submissions are welcome any time.

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6463 Kennedy Ave.



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