

Landscape Nominating Season!

It's time once again to check out our neighborhood and nominate yourself or your neighbors who have a **beautiful street-visible landscape** for KHCC's annual recognition.

- Eligible: All residential, business, and association landscapes
- Judging Criteria: color, texture, design and maintenance
- Judging Dates: Second weekend of July.

*Judy Barbeau, Chair
Landscape Awards Committee*

Send nominations by **June 30** to
KHCC 6463 Kennedy Ave.
I nominate

(Name) _____

(Address) _____

for the 2006 KH Landscape Award.

Your Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

email _____

**Council Next Meets on
Tuesday 6/15/09**

KH Date Book

- 6/15..... Arts Center camp starts
- 6/15..... KHCC Meets
- 6/20..... Juneteenth Festival Eden Park
- 6/21..... Father's Day
- 6/21..... Father's Day Concert Eden Park
- 6/20..... Night Out
- 6/30..... Landscape Nominations
- 7/18..... Night Out
- 8/8..... Night Out
- 9/15..... KHCC Meets
- 9/26..... Progressive Dinner

Juneteenth Festival

- June 20-21 ■ Lots for Kids
 - Eden Park ■ The Place to Be!
 - Music ■ Free
 - History
- Join Us in Celebrating
The End of Slavery**

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**Meet KHCC's New
Neighborhood Networker**

Kennedy Heights native Brandon Parker is the new KHCC community support worker. His responsibilities will include connecting with KH residents as well as maintaining a solid relationship with neighboring communities.



A graduate of CSPA, Brandon is an artist with a degree in Digital Design & Interactive Media and his own design business out of his home on Rogers Park.

Brandon's community experience includes service as an AmeriCorps volunteer with the Red Cross. He has also taught classes at the KH Art Center and will be teaching a class in Video Production in July.

Brandon is pleased to have the opportunity to help Kennedy Heights celebrate its proud history and looks forward to speaking with all of our Kennedy Heights Residents very soon!

As defined by the KHCC board of trustees, his duties will include:

- Identify and recruit volunteers;
- Design a KHCC Brochure
- Help with fundraising events and ticket sales.
- Grant funding

Brandon will be working out of the KHCC office on Kennedy Ave.

531-4041

**Business Corridor
Grant Opportunity**

This is an update of the status of a total \$100,000 of City funds available for KH businesses along Montgomery Rd. (between Tyne & Silverton limits). All interested businesses are encouraged to apply.

- Capital grant funds can be used for site improvements in addition to facade enhancements which may include trees but maybe not landscaping.
- Grant limit for a specific property is \$25,000.
- Business must provide 25% matching funds
- All work must be advertised and pay prevailing wages.

KHCC and KH Development Corp. (KHDC) are applying to use some of the funds for development of the former Kroger premises at the corner of Kennedy & Montgomery.

The grant will be administered by the KHDC.

More Information
Clete Benken
clete@kennedyheights.org

**26th Annual KHCC
Progressive Dinner
9/2/09
5:30-10:30**

September seems ages away, but as any school kid (or teacher) can tell you, it will come in a flash!

The Progressive Dinner needs hosts and other volunteers...and, of course, dining guests!

The money raised helps to support activities and events in our community such as The Kennedy Heights Arts Center, CPOP, Ken-Sil Youth Sports, etc.

So. Mark your calendar. And take a moment to call or email KHCC to say, "sign me up!"

**KH News
On Summer Break**

Barring unexpected urgent issues, there will be no *Kennedy Heights News* in July.

But you can stay on top of events by tuning your computer to

www.kennedyheights.org



**Kennedy
Heights
News
June-July 2009**

**Plan for
Saturday Nights Out!**

For the third summer, KHCC and CPOP (Community Problem Oriented Policing) invite you to join us for neighborhood picnics this summer.

- Hot dogs will be grilled.
- Games will be available for kids.
- Bring a lawn chair and meet your neighbors.

Saturday evenings 6-8

- ➔ June 20: Woodford between Kennedy and the basketball courts
- ➔ July 18 Kennedy and Zinsle in the Presbyterian Church parking lot
- ➔ August 8 in the Tot Lot at Zinsle and Red Bank

Donations of chips or desserts welcome, but mostly bring yourself, your neighbors, & your kids.



**KHCC Meets
June 15 7:30
KH Presbyterian
Church
Next meeting: 9/15**

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Lee DeRhodes

Kennedy Heights Arts Center, Montgomery Road

Special Landscape Award for Businesses and Associations

Long-time Iris Avenue resident was the first recipient of KHCC's Landscape Award for Businesses and Associations

Over the last five years, Lee has transformed 2.5 acres surrounding the Kennedy Heights Arts Center into a gardener's paradise—and it's on display for the public.

All of Lee's work at the KHAC is entirely volunteer

Lee finds gardening to be therapeutic and enjoys growing big plants in the large space— like giant sunflowers, a variety of tall grasses and spreading black-eyed Susans (just to name a few).

Black & white printing does not do Lee justice. To get the full impact in living color, simply drop by the Arts Center, where the garden is again in full bloom.

Congress Protects Tenants

What happens when you've been a good tenant, but the bank has foreclosed on your landlord?

Until mid-May the law favored the new owner who bought the house at sheriff's sale and wanted you to move.

Because of raging foreclosures, Congress passed new tenant protection that gives most tenants the right to stay at least 90 days after sheriff's sale. The law is already in effect.

- If you have no lease, the new owner must give you at least 90 days' notice before starting an eviction.
- If you have a lease, the new owner must honor the lease.
- You will, of course, owe rent to the new owner.

There are (of course) some exceptions. For instance, the law doesn't protect members of the foreclosed owner's family or others who are not "bona fide" tenants.

More often than not, these days the "new owner" after sheriff's sale is the bank that foreclosed.

Questions / Problems
Legal Aid Society 241-9400

Father's Day Trivia

Nothing trivial about Dads! But leave it to the US Census to crunch the paternal numbers.

- ✓ U.S. Dads: 64.3 million
- ✓ Married with young kids: 26.5 million
- ✓ Single with kids: 2.5 million



Saving 6229 Beech View

The City of Cincinnati has declared it a public nuisance and marked it for demolition, but the KH Development Corporation (KHDC) is doing its best to save the house at 6229 Beech View Circle.

The house has sat vacant for over two years, since the death of owner Imogean Valentine.

Neighbors don't want the house razed. Instead they'd like to see it rehabbed, occupied, and returned to its place as an asset to the street and community. KHDC has tried to contact the late owner's heirs and has been meeting with City officials and exploring a variety of legal options.

This is one of six Kennedy Heights properties on the City's list of 3,700 Cincinnati vacant properties ordered to be kept vacant because they are unsafe or unsanitary. The other five KH properties are 6695 Iris, 6124 Kennedy, 6437 Kennedy, 3722 Odin, and 6056 Red Bank.



Search Property Records On-line
Building Department

Complaints & Orders

www.cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/permits

Ownership & tax records

www.hamiltoncountyauditor.org

At the Ridge Library
Through July 31

- Creature Feature reading program, which includes all ages: preschool, school-aged, teen, and adult.
- Pick up your game card to receive prizes and chances for additional prizes.

Free Meals
for Children

Breakfast & Lunch
At School

- Ages 1-18
- Over 18 & Handicapped
- No income limits
- Ends June 28
- Arrive 15 minutes before served

P. Ridge	J. Parker	Shroder	Silverton
7:30-8	7:30-8	7:45-8:15	7:45-8:15
11:15-1145	11-11:30	11:30-12	11:30-12

OR Lunch At
the Pleasant Ridge Pool

- Served 12:45-1:15
- Program ends August 7
- **Stay for a Swim**
- Annual fee: \$10 (good at any pool)
- Open Swim: 12:30-4:30
- Closed on Sunday
- Group lessons \$10

KHCC & KHAC Treat
KHPC

The Kennedy Heights Presbyterian Church celebrates its centennial in July. And on May 26 Community Council & the Arts Center treated the congregation to a concert in the big tent on the KHAC's front lawn.

The event recognized the church for its long-standing commitment to and involvement in the community.

Music was provided by the KHPC choir and Sycamore Community Band. Jim Zarnowiecki (Beech View) not only planned the event--he was also the featured clarinet soloist in a tribute to Benny Goodman.



Summer at the
KH Arts Center

Summer camp & Classes

- Lots of opportunities for kids
- Call for schedule & availability 631-4278

Guild Summer Show

Now thru July 11

This is the summer show for the Kennedy Artists Guild.

The five galleries are glowing with new canvasses and photographs. Smaller spaces draw the viewer close to see the details in mixed media, oil and pastels.

Contemporary compositions contrast with traditional representations. Juried Guild artists capture their subjects in watercolor, textiles and casein.

See what the Guild artists have created over the long winter months:

- **Sculpture:** wood, metal soapstone, and ceramics.
- **Jewelry:** one-of-a-kind necklaces made of semi-precious stones and crystals.

EARTH 2009
Call to Artists

- Show Dates: July 18 - Aug 22
- Submission Deadline: July 1
- Entries must be received by July 11

Behind on Your Mortgage?
Facing Foreclosure?

Ask for Help Now!

- Home Ownership Center 961-2800
- Better Housing League 721-6855
- Working in Neighborhoods 541-4109
- Legal Aid 241-9400

Juneteenth Festival
June 20-21

Although it now takes place in Eden Park, Cincinnati's annual Juneteenth Festival is firmly rooted in Kennedy Heights.

22 years ago a group of KH residents, working as a committee of KHCC, organized the first Juneteenth Festival in Drake Park. It was a success, drawing folks from all over town.

At the request of the Park Board, the Festival moved to Eden Park after a few years--but the organizers remained in Kennedy Heights, and KHCC has remained one of the sponsors.

Saturday 6/20 12-9

Juneteenth starts at 12:30 with the parade of flags. Over 70 flags representing the African Diaspora--countries from which people were uprooted and countries to which they were taken and enslaved.

Entertainment

- An afternoon full of a wide variety of music.
- Final performance at 8:00 pm by **The Rick James Stone City Band.**

For the Kids

- Free books ■ ♪☺☐ animals to pet
- Crafts ■ Balloons
- Horse rides with the Cincinnati Black Cowboys ■ Games

Specially for Teens

- Free throw contest
- Oratory contest
- Tennis & gold tips
- Job & school information
- Drum Line Showcase

Adults & Family

- History ■ Social Services
- Bid Whist ■ Health Screening
- Classic Cars

All Free Except
Shopping & Food!!

Sunday 6/21

Father's Day Concert 2-6 pm

Treat Dad & the family to an afternoon of inspirational music, featuring area choirs, liturgical dancers, and gospel groups.

More specifics at
www.juneteenthcincinnati.org