



GETTING TO KNOW YOU and the neighborhood from the Board President

After securing the nuts and bolts of Operation Beautiful Building - tower restoration, new security system, AC repair - I've been moseying around town to chat with the who's who of highly motivated citizens.

Ernie Barbeau invited me to a Kennedy Heights Council meeting. City Hall beckoned twice: the first to celebrate the new awards just granted (one being our new neighbor Ballet Tech of Cincinnati) and the second to speak before the Finance Committee debating the arts funding budget of 2008.

A United Way business team presented us with a development plan and a new committee member. A reception to meet Fine Arts Fund executives brought me face to face with experts ready to help us in our strategic planning for essential staffing.

Energizing conversations with other individuals in the community enrich my understanding of the wealth of support for what we are doing in Kennedy Heights and I welcome these opportunities to learn more as we plan for 2008.

Helen Haberstroh

PILOT ARTS PROJECT A huge success

A new KHAC outreach program was tested in May, thanks to the YMCA who funded the arts teachers. After-school classes in dance, music, drama, visual art, computer graphics and math were held at Silverton and Pleasant Ridge schools with enthusiastic participation. Some of the students have enrolled in our Summer Arts Camp.

Three age groups were served in hour-long sessions several days a week: 5-7 years, 8-10 years and 11-13 years.

Experienced teachers from the KHAC staff included John and Stephanie Cooper, Maureen Kennedy, Arynn McCandless and Natalie Hager. Kyne Franks through Ballet Tech and Ross Schlemmer helped to round out the multi-faceted program.

COME TO AQUA'S OPENING PARTY! June 16th, 6-8pm

"Aqua" will be an exhibition fully dedicated to the beautiful theme of "water". The wonderful shapes, colors and reflections created by flows of water have always been source of inspiration to artists. Do not miss the opening reception on June 16th, 6-8pm at the KHAC.

ANNUAL FUND begins now!

Our KENNEDY HEIGHTS ARTS CENTER is:

- ☺ a focal point in the neighborhood
- ☺ a mighty band of volunteers
- ☺ an inspiration to other arts groups
- ☺ alive & growing through its generous donors

ITS MISSION

"to enhance the life of the surrounding communities through the arts" marks community celebrations, mounts programs and exhibitions and moves into the mainstream of everyday life with outreach to children in after-school arts at schools, in the library and where they live.

EVERY GIFT

- ☺ is tax deductible
- ☺ is a vote to offer more "open" days
- ☺ supports the \$6,000/month operating costs

Letters are in the mail ... Please put your donation "in the mail"! or bring to KHAC on Saturdays. 6546 Montgomery Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45213

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS Under the Tent

Snacks were served, music was heard and the Arts were celebrated! Events under the KHAC tent the last week in May brought vastly different communities to the Arts Center.

On Tuesday, students from a YMCA sponsored after-school program demonstrated their newly honed skills in drama, dance and music.

On Wednesday, Council members from Pleasant Ridge, Kennedy Heights and Silverton welcomed local business leaders with help from the Queen City Band.

On Thursday, local firefighters from Amberley, Deer Park, Silverton and Cincinnati were honored with a concert by the Sycamore Community Band.

