



## **Kya's Krusade March-April 2008 E-Newsletter**

### **Kya's Krusade Updates**

- œ We received an acknowledgment letter from the IRS regarding our application for 501(c) (3) status in December. We are still awaiting the determination decision.
- œ We have partnered with The Columbus Recreation and Parks for our Art Therapy Program Initiative. The first group of art sessions will run from April 26, 2008- May 17, 2008 and will be taught by licensed art therapist, Diana Zamrazil Van Bruggen, MAAT LPC. The program will be held at a local Park Recreation Center. Art therapy offers the combined benefits of manual manipulation, self-expression, creativity and fun. These sessions will be free of charge to its participants.
- œ Bobby Floyd has signed on to be the performer for our first annual Evening of Jazz. This fundraising reception in early June will be a platform to raise money for our Financial Assistance and Art Therapy Programs.

### **March-April Operational Areas of Focus**

- œ Developing a children's art gallery to be added to our website. The artwork completed by our art therapy participants will be highlighted in this section of the website.
- œ Developing the educational information content on our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>
- œ Building our committees to increase the efficiency of our operations and services.
- œ Developing further our Financial Assistance Program, which will include physical, occupational and hippo-therapy grants in addition to the assistance for adaptive equipment that was offered last year.
- œ We continue to expand our resource network weekly and are building our on-line resource links pages and off-line resource database for our Information Packet Program and Resource Information Services.
- œ We hope to raise additional funds for the organization by selling t-shirts, hats and polo shirts.

### **Notable Dates**

<b>April 20, 2008</b>	Financial Assistance Committee Program Meeting
<b>April 20, 2008</b>	Art Therapy Program Volunteer Orientation
<b>April 26, 2008</b>	Art Therapy Program Classes Begin

\* All organization meetings are open to Kya's Krusade Associates, Committee Members and Volunteers.

### **Opportunities to assist and join our Krusade**

- œ Become a committee member, committee assistant or volunteer (local and distance opportunities are available).  
There are five committees: Development, Finance, Governance, Program and Financial Assistance.
- œ Assist the Spring Fundraising Event to benefit the Art Therapy and Financial Assistance Programs.
- œ Help research and develop the informational areas of our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>
- œ Host a small group informational event, to help spread the word about Arthrogyriposis and Kya's Krusade

- ☞ Become part of our resource network or share a resource from which other families may benefit
- ☞ Become an Art Therapy Program Volunteer
- ☞ Make a monetary or in-kind contribution

Please contact Ashandra or Kylie if you would like to get involved in any of the aforementioned activities or to request additional information. We value your feedback and suggestions! Please e-mail any comments to [info@kyaskrusade.org](mailto:info@kyaskrusade.org). If you know of someone who may want to be added to our mailing list or you would like to be removed from this mailing list at any time, please e-mail us at [info@kyaskrusade.org](mailto:info@kyaskrusade.org).

We sincerely appreciate your support and consideration and hope to see you at a future Kya's Crusade Event! We invite you to visit our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org> periodically and join our Crusade.

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