



Kya's Krusade May-June 2008 E-Newsletter

Kya's Krusade Updates

- œ **Music II Miracles:** an evening of jazz fundraiser is set to take place on **June 19, 2008 from 6:30 – 10:30 pm**. This year, our featured artists are the Bobby Floyd Trio and legendary pianist Bobby Pierce has donated a special message and video performance, featuring a couple of new songs from the recording that he is currently working on! **Tickets will be sold until June 7, 2008 (advance ticket sales only)**. Please visit our website <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>, e-mail develop@kyaskrusade.org or call us at 614-750-2198 for event, ticket and ad purchase information.
- œ Halfway through the spring series, the Art Therapy Program has received a lot of positive feedback. Diana and the volunteers have done an extraordinary job working with the children. The children have enjoyed the activities and look forward to returning for the next class. We would like to extend a special thank you to our volunteers, Jennie (Program Coordinator) and Diana (Art Therapist) for making our first Art Therapy class series a success! We are looking forward to the summer and fall series. Photos from the classes will be shared on our website and at Music II Miracles.
- œ One of our volunteers, Thalaina, has offered to make a contribution to Kya's Krusade through an **Avon fundraising campaign. May 19 – May 31**, 60% of all sales of Avon products purchased from Thalaina on-line or through special catalog orders will be donated to Kya's Krusade. Please e-mail develop@kyaskrusade.org to receive more information.
- œ We are still awaiting the decision for exemption from the IRS. We received an acknowledgment letter from the IRS regarding our application for 501(c) (3) status (notification date December 21, 2007). Once granted, all contributions will be tax deductible, retroactive from the organization's inception date.

May - June Operational Areas of Focus

- œ Developing the educational information content on our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>
- œ Strategic planning and assessment, including feedback from previous program participants, to facilitate the growth of our Information Packet, Art Therapy and Financial Assistance Programs and additional services.
- œ Building our committees and volunteer base to increase the efficiency of our operations and services.
- œ Increasing and improving our promotional initiatives for the organization and its programs and services.
- 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.

Notable Dates

May 17, 2008	Final Spring 2008 Art Therapy Program class & wrap-up party
May 19-May 31, 2008	Avon Contribution Campaign
May 31, 2008	Bi-Monthly Board Chair-Officers Meeting
June 19, 2008	1 st Annual Music II Miracles Fundraising Benefit (Gahanna, OH)
June 21, 2008	3 rd Quarter Board Meeting
June 30, 2008	Financial Assistance Program June 2008 Grant Notifications

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

Opportunities to assist and join our Krusade

- ☞ 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.
- ☞ Music II Miracles day-of event volunteers
- ☞ Purchase an ad in the Music II Miracles Program
- ☞ Help research and develop the informational areas of our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>
- ☞ Host a small group informational event, to help spread the word about Arthrogryposis and Kya's Krusade
- ☞ Become part of our resource network or share a resource from which other families may benefit
- ☞ Become a program, event or general sponsor
- ☞ 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. 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.

We sincerely appreciate your support and consideration and hope to see you at a future Kya's Krusade Event! We invite you to visit our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org> periodically; participate in our on-line community forums and join our Krusade.

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