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Kya's Crusade Updates

- ☞ **Kya's Crusade is officially a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization!** The IRS made its determination on August 7, 2008. Our effective date of exemption is October 17, 2007; all contributions made from this date are tax deductible.

- ☞ **On-line Donations:** Kya's Crusade is now able to accept donations on-line securely through Network For Good. When you visit our website, click on one of the "Donate Now" buttons, which are located on the "Home," "How You Can Help" and "Make A Donation" pages. We still welcome donations by mail and in person.

- ☞ **Art Therapy Program Fall 2008 Series:** We are anxiously anticipating the 3rd series of Art Therapy classes in October at the Schiller Park Recreation Center, thanks to our Program Partner Columbus Recreation and Parks. This series, we will be adding activities and support discussions for the parents and caregivers, while their children are participating in the classes.

- ☞ **New Brochures & Art Therapy Program Cards:** We would like to thank artist and graphic designer Lisa McLymont for donating her services again to help us develop new brochures and Art Therapy Program promotional cards, featuring program information & the class schedule through 2009. These can be viewed on our website or requested by calling 614-750-2198 or e-mail develop@kyaskrusade.org. Lisa also developed our logo and some of the graphic elements of our website and has continued to support us since our inception.

- ☞ **GaitWay: Annual Luncheon & Silent Auction will be held on October 26, 2008 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm at the Creekside Conference & Event Center in Gahanna, Ohio.** This year, we are fortunate to have two dynamic keynote speakers, Lisa Koontz-Agoff & Mary Cox-Pace, who will provide a video speech and interactive question & answer. Our GaitWay 2008 disability awareness focus will be Arthrogryposis. Tickets (\$35 each or \$30 for two or more) and Reserved Tables (\$300 private or \$400 corporate-includes a full page program ad) will be sold until October 15, 2008. Please visit our website <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>, e-mail develop@kyaskrusade.org or call us at 614-750-2198 for event, sponsorship and ticket, table and program ad purchase information.

- ☞ **Macy's Shop For A Cause Event:** This year, Kya's Crusade will be participating in the Macy's Shop For A Cause Event by providing a Macy's Shop For A Cause Shopping Passes for each \$5 donation to Kya's Crusade. Kya's Crusade retains 100% of your donation and the shopping pass is valid at any Macy's nationwide, all day on Saturday, September 20, 2008. The shopping pass entitles you to discounts throughout the store and an entry form for a \$500 gift certificate, which is being raffled at each Macy's store. If you would like to support this initiative, please contact us and we will be happy to get a Macy's Shop For A Cause pass and entry form to you.

September - October Operational Areas of Focus

- œ We are planning and preparing for Music II Miracles and GaitWay 2009, securing sponsors, venues etc.
- œ Developing the content on our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org>
- œ Strategic planning and assessment of all of the programs and services we offer.
- œ Building our committees, volunteer and support bases 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.

Notable Dates

September 14, 2008	Art Therapy Program Meeting
Sept 9 – Sept 20, 2008	Macy's Shop For A Cause Donation Initiative (Passes given for a \$5 donation)
September 20, 2008	Macy's Shop For A Cause Event (Macy's Stores Nationwide)
September 26, 2008	3rd Quarter Board Meeting
September 27, 2008	GaitWay Planning Meeting
Oct 4 – Oct 25, 2008	Fall 2008 Art Therapy Class Series
October 26, 2008	GaitWay Annual Luncheon & Silent Auction

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

Opportunities to assist and join our Krusade

- œ Attend the GaitWay Annual Luncheon & Silent Auction
- œ Support and/or spread the word about our participation in the Macy's Shop For A Cause Event
- œ Become a committee member, committee assistant or volunteer (local and distance opportunities are available).
- œ GaitWay and Music II Miracles Planning and Day-of event Volunteers
- œ Become an Event or Ad Purchase Sponsor of GaitWay 2008, Music II Miracles 2009 or GaitWay 2009
- 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 Arthrogryposis and Kya's Krusade
- œ Become part of our Resource Network or share a resource from which other families may benefit
- œ Become a Program, Event or General Sponsor
- œ Make a monetary or in-kind contribution

Please contact us if you would like to get involved or to request additional information. We value your feedback and suggestions! Please e-mail info@kyaskrusade.org with comments or to be added or removed from our mailing list. We sincerely appreciate your support and consideration and hope that you will remain part of our community as we grow. We invite you to visit our website, <http://www.kyaskrusade.org> periodically and join our Krusade.

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