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From the Desk of Sr. Annette

Around the Art House

Have you had a chance to visit the Art House especially when the children are in class? One of my very favorite things to do is to take visitors on a tour, where they can experience it for themselves.

I know, however, that very few of our 5,000 readers have the opportunity to see usin action. That's why I decided to move away "from the desk" and show you around a bit.



Kathy Burik, new member of the Art House Women's Core Committee [Board], observed "You can see that Kyla and Nathan are really engaged in following the weaving instructions that their teacher Barb Hauck provides. They were so intent on what they were doing that they barely noticed that we were even here."



In addition to individual lessons in violin, cello, flute, piano and guitar, the children may elect music classes such as Hand Drums, World Music, and Choir. During the Fun With Music Class Geurchom and Valentino enjoyed experimenting withhand bells.



As we enter the gathering space we see two groups of volunteers working one-on-one with the children. Some are reading, some are helping with homework or building classroom skills. Lisa Chinsky is assisting Shane with a word search.

If you would like to continue your tour, visit our web site, www.neighborhoodarthouse. org, and get regular updates through our Facebook page. Should you be able to visit us in person, we'd be delighted to have you. Call us (455-5508) to set up a visit for yourself or a group.

Request for Readers





HOOKED ON BOOKS! has merged with BOOKS FOR KIDS, hence the change in their name. But whatever they are called, we know them as the wonderful adults who volunteer their time to read one-on-one to children. Whether it is the summer program where readers come to the Art House during their lunch break for one week, or the after-school program where readers come one afternoon per week for a session or a school year, the results are clear.

- The personal attention is cherished by the children.
- The exposure to reading for enjoyment helps to build good habits.
- English skills are improved, especially for children whose first language is not English.
- The inter-generational experience is rich for both the children and their "reading pals."

Consider sharing your love of reading with the children. Register at www.neighborhoodarthouse.org.



THE NEIGHBORHOOD ART HOUSE IS 20 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR!

Please plan to celebrate with us: SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015 Noon - 3:00 pm Neighborhood Art House







Look at what we're doing! Franco and Geurchom have sewn 9 nine-squares together, each set forming a pattern, then assembled them into this colorful quilt complete with double batting to keep them warm. Now they are tying it all together.



Learning good body mechanics is a must for young dancers. Let's watch Teajanae and her classmates begin their dance class with warm-up exercises that help them develop poise, balance and control.

TH ANNUAL A R T S S S T F

benefit for the Neighborhood Art House

5k Run/Walk and Team Challenge

Saturday, June 6, 2015

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Start Time: 9:00 a.m. Race starts and ends at the Neighborhood Art House

REGISTRATION OPPORTUNITIES

- EASY ON-LINE REGISTRATION www.neighborhoodarthouse.org
- MAIL or DROP OFF registration form and payment at the Neighborhood Art House
- ◆ EARLY PACKET PICK-UP and NEW REGISTRATIONS Friday, June 5 10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
- EVENT DAY REGISTRATION and/or PACKET PICK-UP 7:45 a.m. — 8:45 a.m.



Team Challenge!

Gather co-workers, family and friends for the "Team Challenge"!

Minimum of 5 runners or walkers needed to register as a team. All team particpants must be pre-registered. Each team member completes a registration form and indicates the name of the team and the team captain. The top 3 times will be used to calculate team scores. Great prizes will be awarded to the Top 3 Teams. Team participants also qualify for individual awards.

ENTRY FEES

PRE-REGISTER BY 5-11-15

\$20.00 adults/youth \$10.00 children under 14

\$50.00 maximum per family

T-shirts are guaranteed only to pre-registered participants.

Register after 5-11-15 including

day of race

\$25.00 adults/youth \$12.00 children unde

\$12.00 children under 14 \$60.00 maximum per family

Checks payable to: Neighborhood Art House

SEE REGISTRATION FORM

ON REVERSE SIDE.

On-line registration and downloadable registration forms are available at www.neighborhoodarthouse.org

THE COURSE

The 5K Run/Walk course begins at the Neighborhood Art House, proceeds through downtown Erie, and ends at the Neighborhood Art House.

AWARDS

Art work done by the children at the Art House will be awarded to the overall top male and female and to the top 3 male and female finishers in the following age groups in both the Walk & Run: 10 & Under, then five-year increments from 11-15, 16-20, to 81 & over. There are also great prizes for the top three teams. Team participants also qualify for individual awards.

The proceeds from Art & Sole benefit the programs at the Neighborhood Art House.

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DONOR CORNER



Vickie Lampe of PNC Bank joined Sr. Annette and violin students Teajanae, Shane and Kyla during a recent tour of the Art House. During her visit she presented a donation that continues the bank's tradition of donating to the Neighborhood Art House through the PA Education Improvement Tax Credit



First Book has provided a grant of \$2,500 to be used to purchase books for the Art House children. The new books will replace worn out books in our library or will be given to children to take home in their "birthday bag." A wide variety of books were purchased including Caldecott winners, STEM books

(curriculum based - science, technology, engineering and mathematics), and ethnic and cultural books. Older books removed from our collection will be given to the children to take home.



Agrant of \$3,000 was awarded to NAH from the Schuster Re-Grant program at Gannon University to support classes in chalk pastels. The pastels themselves are quite costly; classes such as this would not be possible without funders who supply the necessary materials.

Karen Meyer and Mary Hembrow Snyder, Mercyhurst University Faculty, visited the Art House in late February to present the proceeds of their annual Dr. Barbara Behan Souper **Book Swap** to the Art House. When Ayla and Jennifer, both 8



years old, were asked what they thought the money was for, they immediately responded, "for supplies, like the paints we are using now."



Ronald McDonald House Charities has awarded a grant of \$2,000 to the Neighborhood Art House to pur-

chase materials for watercolor classes. Watercolor has been a popular class throughout the Art House's history. This grant will make it possible to replace brushes, paints and easels and to purchase the specialized paper used for



SUMMER PROGRAM
June 22 - July 24

This summer's program includes field trips to Glinodo Center for classes in Ecosystems,

Photography, Painting and Drawing. Summer Program schedules will be available at the end of April. Space fills quickly so timely registration is advised.

ARTfully yours, the year-long series held as part of the Neighborhood Art House's 20th Anniversary celebration, has enjoyed an enthusiastic reception among those who have participated in these monthly "evenings out." The evenings have been characterized by lots of fun, enthusiasm for trying something new, smiles over wine and snacks, laughter and conversation, welcome surprise, and pride in new accomplishments.

Are you ready to have fun experimenting with different art forms while enjoying wine and snacks with friends? The \$40 fee covers all materials and refreshments. Get more information about classes and register at www.neighborhoodarthouse.org.

March 20 Simple Jewelry Making Sarah Everett, NAH Instructor Flower Arranging

April 20 Polymer Clay Tiles 3D Ceramic Plaque

May 20 Marbling Acrylic Painting



Showing off our weaving



Happy with our marbled scarves



Building a Dish Garden



Carl Larese, Larese Floral Design

Sharon Bannon, NAH Instructor

Sarah Everett, NAH Instructor

Mary Kay Geary, NAH Instructor

Sue Hunter, NAH Instructor



We're looking for all our former students. Do you know any?

Please send us the email address. street address or phone number for the former student, or ask him/her to call us (455-5508) or email us at formerstudent@neighborhoodarthouse.ora.

MEMORIALS

A special thank you to the families of

Michael J. Cummings and

Sharon Steadman

for designating memorials to the Neighborhood Art House in their memory.

WISH LIST

Healthy snacks (pretzels, cheese crackers, breakfast bars, animal crackers, etc.)

Health care products (shampoo, comb, brush, body wash/bar soap, deodorant, tooth brush, tooth paste, etc)

Gift cards (to stores carrying art or office supplies)

Frames and/or mat board $(11 \times 14 \& 16 \times 20)$

Art supplies: quilt batting, acrylic paint (bright colors, small bottles), Tacky Glue, Modge Podge, Drawing pads, Polymer clay, heavy paper plates







DATES OF NOTE

2015 - NAH 20th Anniversary Year

20th of each month - ARTfully yours, 7:00 pm

May 7 Music Recital, 7:00 pm

May 14 Open House, 7:00 pm

June 6 Art & Sole 5K Run/ Walk, 9:00 am

June 22 Summer Program Begins

July 12 20th Anniversary Community Celebration, Noon - 3:00 pm

September 15 Taste of the Arts, 5:00 pm

Child Shirt Size: Small Med Large

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AFTER MAY 11

\$12

\$60

REGISTRATION FORM

ONE REGISTRATION FORM REQUIRED FOR EACH PARTICIPANT INCLUDING **TEAM MEMBERS & FAMILIES**

BY MAY 11

\$10 \$50

Family Pricing - please send your completed forms to the Neighborhood Art House in one envelope. Persons ordinarily included in Family Pricing: parents, children, grand-children, foster children, grand-parents residing in one household.

ENTRY FEES

Child 14 & under

Max per family

PAYMENT

Please return payment to: **Neighborhood Art House** 201 East 10th Street Erie, PA 16503 (814)455-5508

Enclosed check made out to:

Pay by: MasterCard, Visa,

Neighborhood Art House

Adult/Youth



Name:

3TH ANNUAL

Run/Walk and Team Start Time: 9:00 a.m.

Date

Saturday, June 6, 2015

Address:	
City	State: Zip:
Email:	
Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female	Age (as of 6/6/15)(needed for timing and awards)
I am registering for: 5K RUN 5K WALK	
Adult Shirt Size: Small Med Large XL XXL (add \$2) XXXL (add \$4)	
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I AM JOINING A TEAM - Each team member must complete this form.

(Shirts are guaranteed for registration received by May 11th. Shirts for late entires based on availability)

Team Captain:

Prizes will be awardrd to the top three teams. Top three times on each team will be used to calculate team scores. Minimum 5 runners/walkers per team. ALL TEAMS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED. Waiver & Release: In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and ad-

ministrators waive and release and discharge the organizers, sponsors, the Inner-City Neighborhood Art House and any and all employees, successors, volunteers, service organizations, affiliates and assignees connected with the operation and running of this event from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising now and in the future from my participation in this event. I am aware that, because of insurance limitations, no bicycles, skateboards, roller skates or blades, etc., will be permitted on the course. I know that competing in a road race is potentially dangerous. I certify that I have trained sufficiently for this event. I assume all risks associated with this event. I further agree that I may be photographed or videotaped and that these images may be used for promotional purposes by the Neighborhood Art House. Parent or guardian must sign if entrant is under age 18.

Signature of Entrant (or parent/guardian for entrants 18 years of age or under)

Name as it appears on credit card

American Express or Discover

Credit Card #: **Expiration Date:** CSC (3 digits on back of card) . Credit card billing zip code: How did you hear about Art & Sole? ☐ Facebook ☐ News Media

■ NAH Newsletter Other Additional Registration Forms on-line at www.neighborhoodarthouse.org