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From the President



Congratulations Kindervelt! Cincy Magazine awarded Kindervelt with the **4th Annual Greater Cincinnati Nonprofit of the Year Award!** This award recognizes outstanding accomplishments of nonprofit organizations who are dedicated to the business of doing good in the Greater Cincinnati Communities. I am so proud to be part of an over 500-member organization who believes in creating an environment for building friendships and productive relationships within our organization and throughout our communities while raising funds for Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Your dedication to coming together for a common goal is truly inspiring. Thank you for helping to make a difference in the lives of children every single day.

What a fabulous year it has been and now it's time to look ahead to the future. A new year, a new beginning, and a new opportunity to consider joining our leadership team. Linda Deters and the Nominating Committee will be seeking a new slate of officers for the 2024-2025 Board of Trustees. We want to ensure our President Elect, Suzanne Nemeth, has a smooth transition on June 1st.

KV Bowl is looking ahead as they host our Citywide Bowling Event on March 4th at Stone Lanes in Norwood. Committee chairs, Andi Mapes and Nancy Sanchez, have been busy organizing a fun-filled family event for all of us to enjoy. You will find more information about KV Bowl; "Strike Up the Fun" in this newsletter along with ways your group can participate.

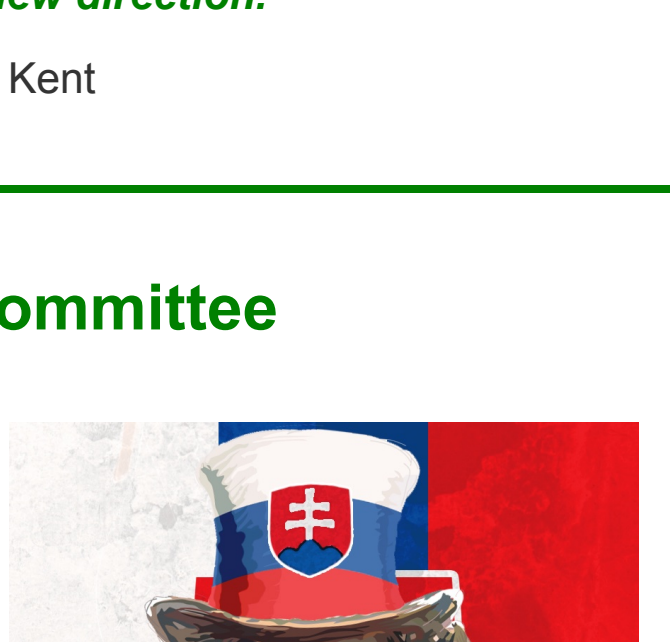
Happy New Year everyone!

Here's to making new memories in 2024!

Your friend in Kindervelt,

Cindy

Cindy Burger
Kindervelt City President



**"Never underestimate the power you have
to take your life in a new direction."**

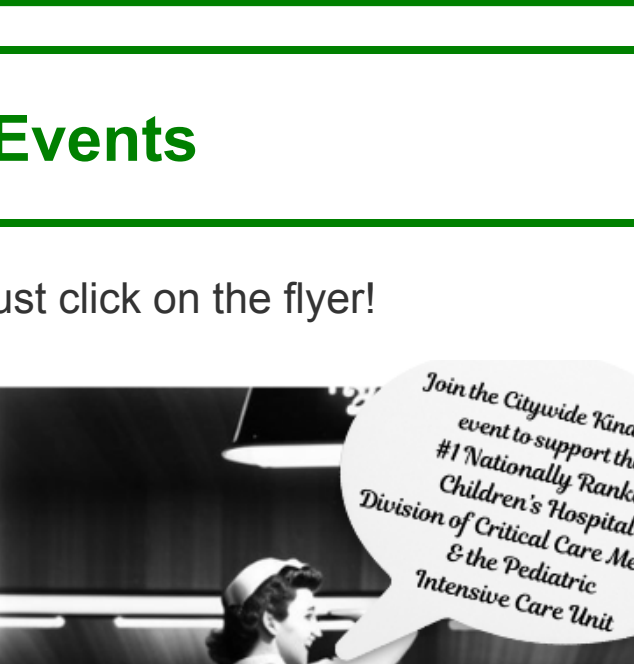
~ Germany Kent

Nominating Committee

The nominating committee will soon be working to fill the Board of Trustee positions for the fiscal year 2024-2025. This is a great opportunity to share your talents and interests by becoming a BOT member. New members can offer fresh ideas to keep Kindervelt thriving as the wonderful organization it is.

Please take a few minutes to look at the Qualities & Requirements by clicking on the image for Board Position descriptions. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Nominate yourself or someone else you think might want to get more involved. Send your nominations to:

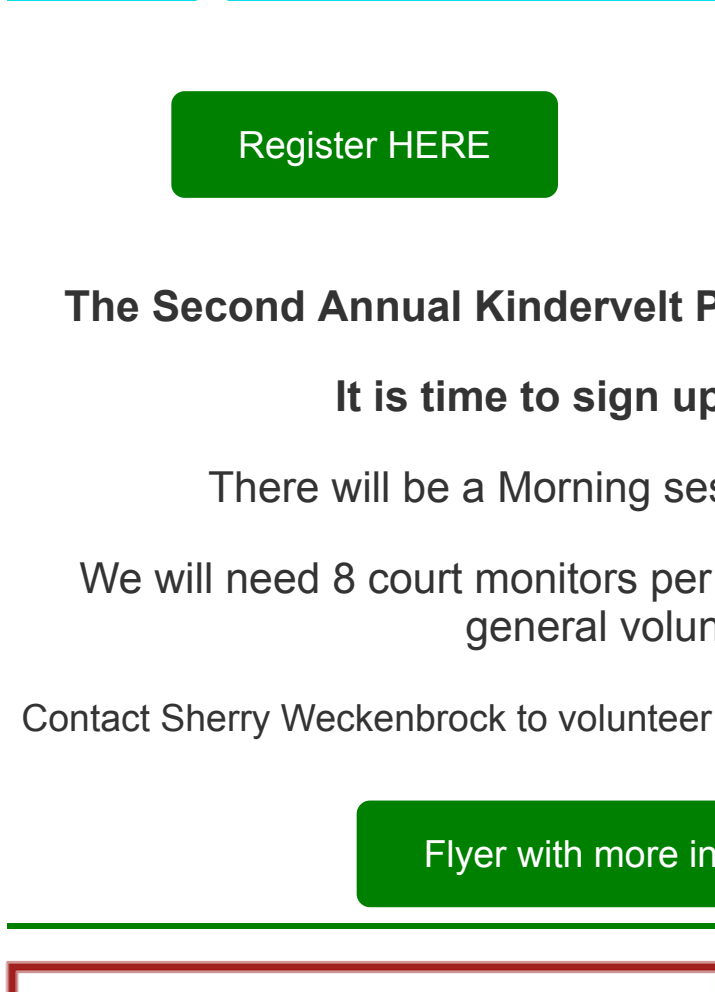
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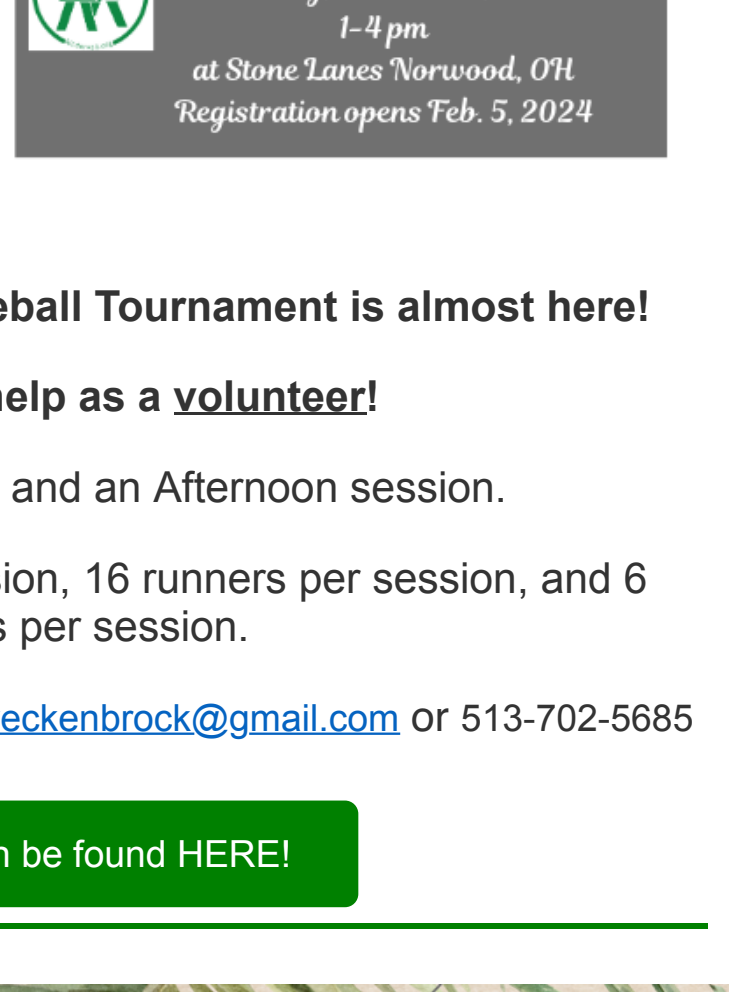
Qualifications & Requirements
[HERE](#)

Upcoming Events

Flyers are downloadable. Just click on the flyer!



[Register HERE](#)



The Second Annual Kindervelt Pickleball Tournament is almost here!

It is time to sign up to help as a [volunteer](#)!

There will be a Morning session and an Afternoon session.

We will need 8 court monitors per session, 16 runners per session, and 6 general volunteers per session.

Contact Sherry Weckenbrock to volunteer at sweckenbrock@gmail.com or 513-702-5685

[Flyer with more info can be found HERE!](#)



KV #50 presents *Havana Nights*

April 13th at Little Miami Brewing Event Center.

Tickets sales information to come.

Be on the Lookout!

February 24th - KV #8 & KV #45 Pickleball Tournament

February 28th - Kindervelt Krafts @ CCHMC

March 2th - KV Bowl

March 23rd - KV #30 Bunko Luncheon

April 13th - KV#19 Lunch at the Links

April 13th - KV #50 Havana Nights

May 4th - KV #77 Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show

May 15th - KV Annual Meeting at Cincinnati Woman's Club

Kindervelt Krafts

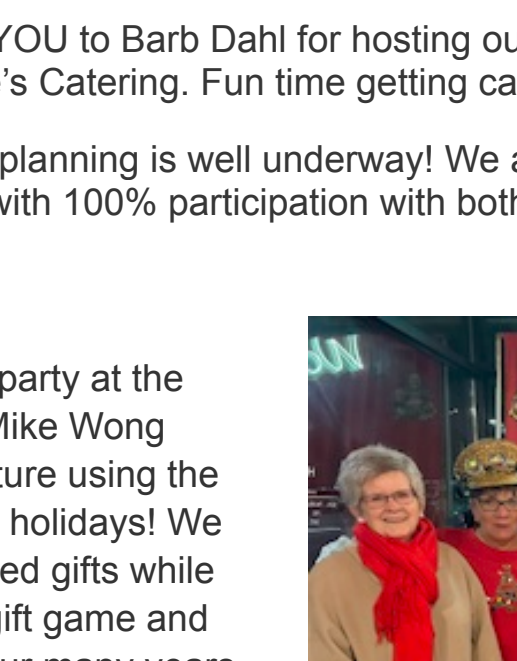
Kindervelt Krafts will have the final Kraft show and Bake sale at Sabin Hall on **February 28th**. Details will be in February Leadership meetings mailboxes. Keep crafting! If you have any questions please contact Bonnie Hueneman at Bonniehueneman@gmail.com 513-235-1122.

Group News & Tidbits

KV #3 Our December meeting and luncheon was held at the home of Caroline Cox, with Muffy Kadon co-hosting. Members enjoyed soup, chili, and sandwiches as we wrapped up 2023 and planned for the remainder of the Kindervelt year. Our group welcomed two of our four new members, Brianna Frappier Schirmang and Brooke Olson.

Member Andi Mapes is hard at work on KV Bowl, scheduled for March 2 at Stone Lanes. There is a goal of selling 10 lane sponsorships at \$1000 each, and seven have been sold so far. KV #3 will sponsor a lane, as we did last year in honor of Sara Pritchard. The emcee for the evening will be Frank Marzulo of Fox 19.

Our group's next event will be a cocktail party for members and spouses on January 19th at Jean's house. In March, we are planning to sell green bead necklaces during the St. Patrick's Day parade on March 16th. Our ongoing First Friday goodie sale continues to add to our fundraising total as we move into a new calendar year.



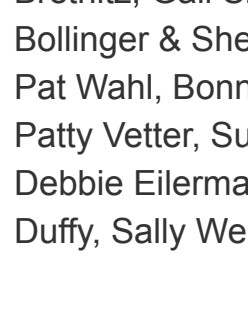
KV #16 Happy New Year to all KV members and a Special "Thank You" to Cindy for hosting our Christmas Social at her beautiful home - great food, drinks and conversation!

KV #16 College Hill and White Oak neighborhoods experienced several Kindervelt luminary fundraisers during the Holidays! What a beautiful sight! Thank you Cindy and Linda!

KV #19 The women of Kindervelt 19 had a wonderful time celebrating the holidays together at their annual Holiday Party this past month! New members had a chance to mingle, enjoy delicious food and take part in a fun gift exchange. The start of 2024 means the Lunch at the Links committee will be working hard to gather sponsors and silent auction items for the event this spring.



KV #22 On December 10, KV #22 hosted their Montgomery neighborhood for our annual Candles 4 Kids (C4K). Many hands make work easy and this year was no exception. Thanks to our chairman, Sarah Bell, Street Captains and Storage Captains. It takes a village but the results are so heart-warming!

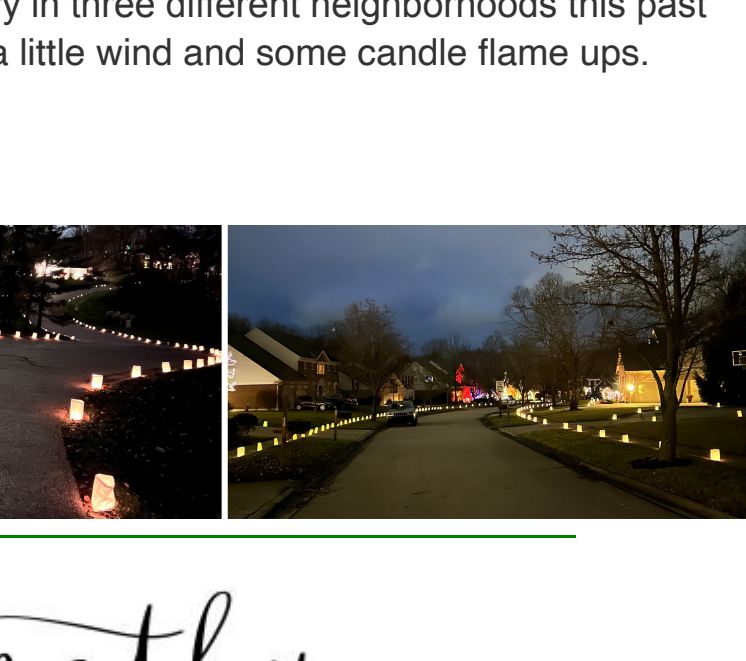


Upper left: Sarah Bell, long time chairman, sorting boxes of candles. Middle: Grandkids of Sue Crosby, heading out to place candles. Upper right: Debbie Young gathering her candles. The candles are remote controlled so we can turn them all on at one time!

KV #29 sends a big THANK YOU to Barb Dahl for hosting our December holiday luncheon at her home catered by Aynie's Catering. Fun time getting caught up with everyone.

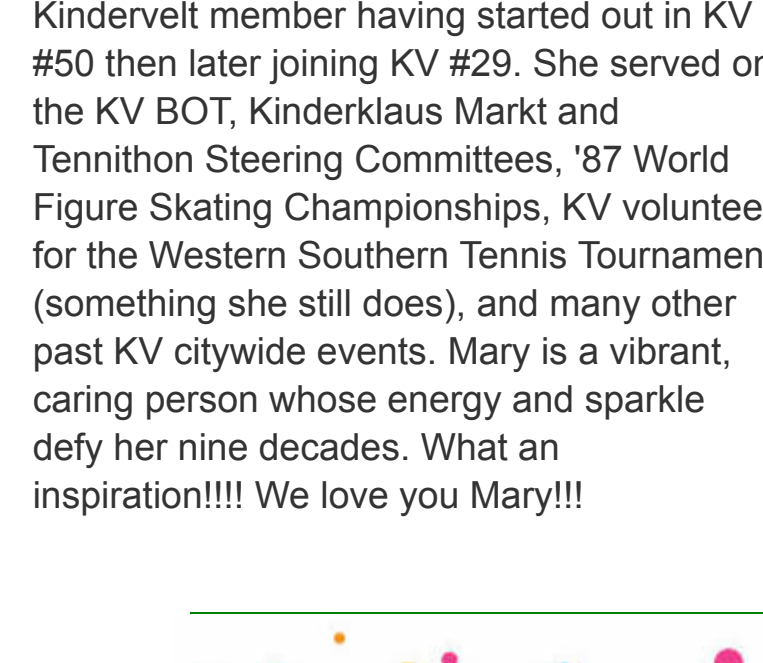
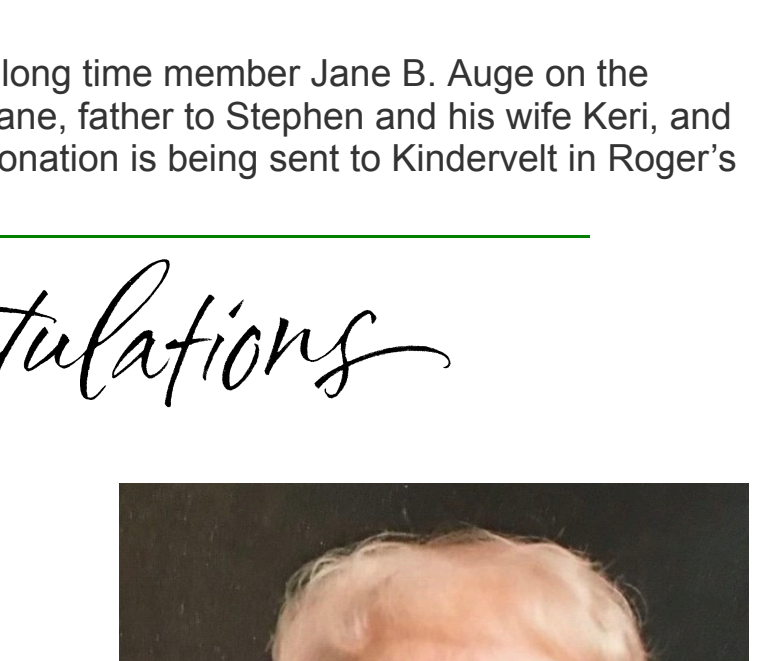
KV #50 Havana Nights party planning is well underway! We are excited to announce we have had a true group effort with 100% participation with both event planning and securing donations.

KV #56 had a fun Christmas party at the iconic Oriental Wok. Owner Mike Wong invited us to take a group picture using the restaurant props- hats for the holidays! We had a brief meeting, exchanged gifts while playing the annual steal the gift game and had a good time toasting to our many years together! We are sending Holiday Greetings and many blessings in the New Year.

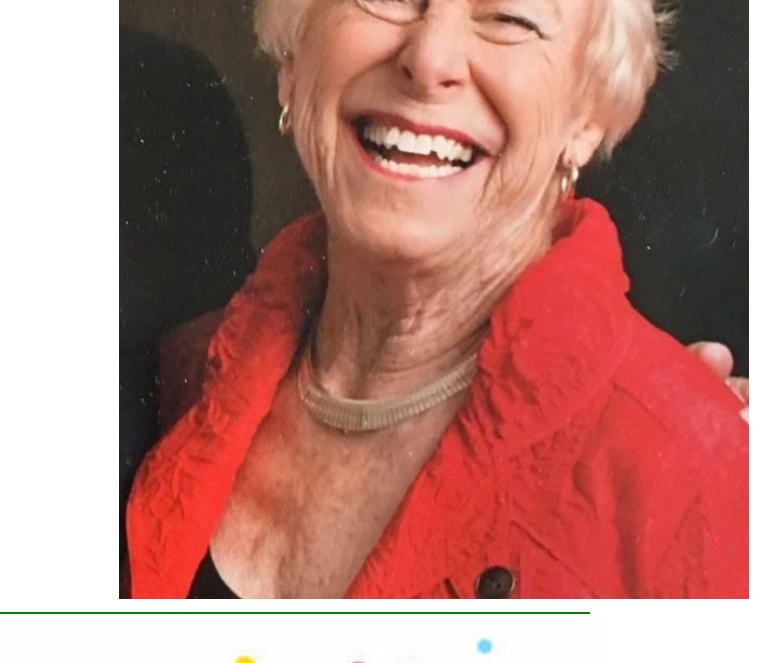


Front row- New Member Peggy Williamson, Donna Woods, Debbie Linneman, Debbie Mitsch, Ruth Wiley. Back Row- Libby Baker, Linda Lunceford, Sheila Horan, Mari Torginson, Sue Hamill.

KV #68 would like to thank Rita Finley for hosting and making a delicious roast beef dinner and to her daughter Nikki for opening her home to all of us. Also, a big thank you to Bonnie Hueneman for bringing the delicious dessert. It was a night filled with food, drink and singing and just having fun! We were honored that our Citywide President, Cindy Burger, was able to attend.

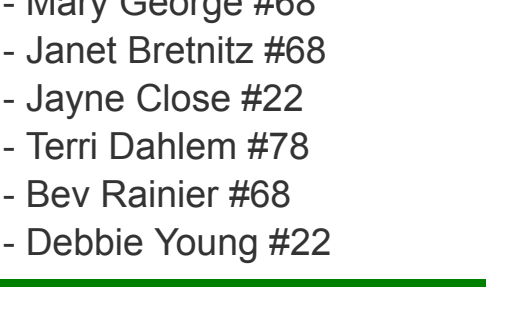
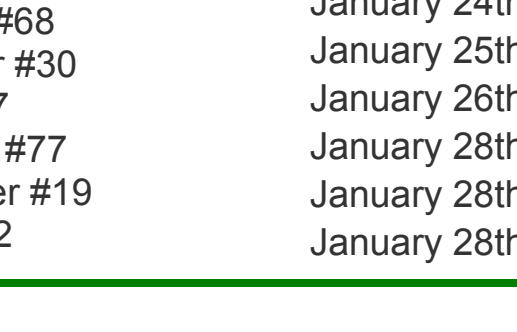


KV #78 Our adopt a family was a blended family including 8 children. We were able to get items on their wish lists and made Christmas wonderful for their family. This family lives in Anderson Township, as we enjoy blessing people in our neighborhood. Everyone in our group contributes, with cash or by purchasing gifts that we wrap and deliver to the family. We had a wonderful time wrapping all the gifts at Beth Pollock's home one Sunday afternoon.



Katrina Smith, Mary Beth Young, Beth Pollock

KV #78 We had another very successful Luminary in three different neighborhoods this past December. The night was very beautiful despite a little wind and some candle flame ups.



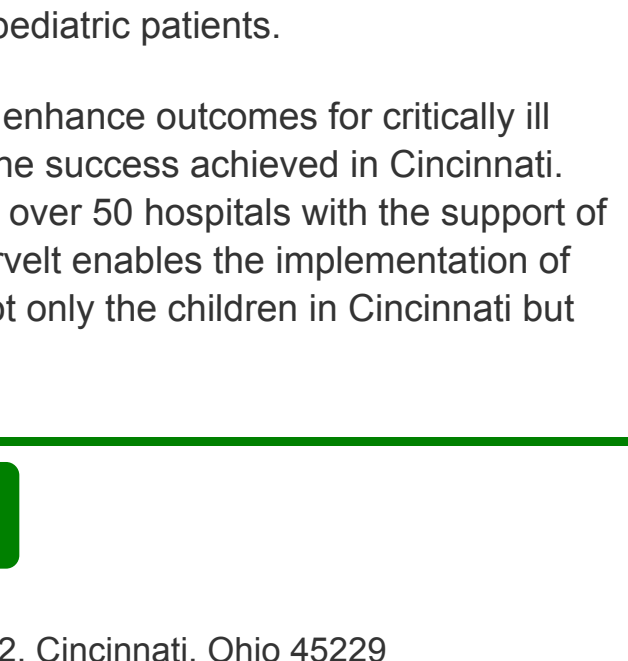
WITH DEEPEST sympathy

KV #56 would like to extend our sincerest words of sympathy to long time member Carolyn Riehle on the passing of her husband, Elmer. He was husband to Carolyn, Stepfather to Paul and Julie and grandfather to grands and greats. A donation in Elmer's name was given to Kindervelt from our members.

KV #56 would like to extend our sympathy to long time member Jane B. Auge on the passing of Roger Auge. He was husband to Jane, father to Stephen and his wife Kerri, and grandfather to Margot and Max. A memorial donation is being sent to Kindervelt in Roger's honor.

Congratulations

KV #29 sends Birthday CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Austin on the celebration of her 90th Birthday!!!! The big day is January 23rd. Mary is a 50 year Kindervelt member having started out in KV #50 then later joining KV #29. She served on the KV BOT, Kinderklaus Markt and Tennithon Steering Committees, '87 World Figure Skating Championships, KV volunteer for the Western Southern Tennis Tournament (something she still does), and many other past KV citywide events. Mary is a vibrant, caring person whose energy and sparkle defy her nine decades. What an inspiration!!!! We love you Mary!!!!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 5th - Wendy Holschuh #78
January 6th - Kathy Sherlock #12
January 7th - Valerie Scholl #19
January 10th - Cindy Scholl #16
January 10th - Sankhya Jejurikar #19
January 17th - Molly Decker #68
January 18th - Marilyn Weyer #30
January 19th - Alex Nolte #77
January 19th - Judy Williams #77
January 20th - Suzy McBrayer #19
January 20th - Tracy Ting #22

January 21st - Nancy Nunti #68
January 22nd - Lisa Robison #78
January 23rd - Mary Austin #29
January 24th - Robin Wright #19
January 24th - Mary George #68
January 25th - Janet Bretznitz #62
January 26th - Jayne Close #22
January 28th - Bev Rainier #68
January 28th - Debbie Young #22

Advancing Pediatric Critical Care: The PICU Innovation Accelerator at Cincinnati Children's

Daniel Loeb, MD, MEd, Matthew Zackoff MD, MEd and Maya Dewan, MD, MPH

The Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at Cincinnati Children's has earned global recognition for its proficiency in employing innovative strategies and technologies to enhance outcomes for critically ill children. In 2022, the PICU Innovation Accelerator was established to further amplify this distinctive expertise by pushing the boundaries of existing technologies to improve the outcomes for the sickest children

This year marked a significant milestone for the PICU Innovation Accelerator, as it secured two substantial grants totaling over \$4 million from the Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality. The first grant, called the Situation Awareness Incorporating Multidisciplinary Teams Reduce Arrest In the PICU (SAMURAI PICU) Study, will spread the work done to reduce cardiac arrests here at Cincinnati Children's to five other children's hospitals around the country. Working with the team at each hospital's PICU and families who have experienced care in the PICU, this study will adapt our cardiac arrest prevention bundle to each local environment.

Partnering with the PICU teams at each hospital and engaging families with firsthand experience in PICU care, the SAMURAI PICU Study utilizes a predictive tool derived from Cincinnati's electronic health record to identify high-risk patients. Interprofessional huddles are employed to prepare for potential deterioration, and bedside signs are posted to label high-risk patients, ensuring widespread awareness of the care plan. Through innovative educational methods, ongoing support is provided to these teams as they enhance their skills in predicting and preventing cardiac arrests in pediatric patients.

Ultimately, we aspire to diminish cardiac arrests and enhance outcomes for critically ill children in the five participating hospitals, mirroring the success achieved in Cincinnati. Subsequently, the goal is to expand this approach to over 50 hospitals with the support of future grant funding. The crucial backing from Kindervelt enables the implementation of cutting-edge technological approaches, impacting not only the children in Cincinnati but also fostering positive change nationwide.

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