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President's Message

Dear Kindervelt Family,

Happy February! As we step into this new month, I'm excited to share that Kindervelt is all set to kick off a jam-packed four months of fundraising for the Children's Hospital Advanced Leukemia Center.

Get ready for some fun and engaging events to kick off the new year! Mark your calendars for:

- Pickleball on Feb 21st—register Now!
KV Bowl on March 14th at Madison Bowl in Oakley - Registration is Open
KV60 Apres-Ski on March 7th - Registration opening soon
Krafts & Bake Sale on March 16th—Spring Crafts at the Sabin Auditorium on Children's Main Campus

February is a wonderful time for reflection, and I invite you all to take a moment to appreciate the heart of our organization: our dedicated members.

I want to remind everyone of our upcoming Leadership Meeting on February 23rd from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM at the Sabin Auditorium on Children's Main Campus. If you haven't registered yet, there's still time before deadline on Feb 9th. Don't miss out on the fireside chat with Dr. Starczynowski, and our Kindervelt BOT. It's a great opportunity to learn more about the cutting-edge approaches to battling Leukemia. There will be a tour of the Leukemia Center following the leadership meeting as well.

In closing, it is with great sadness that I share that Tracy Smith, our BOT Technology chair, friend and longtime Kindervelt member, passed away in January after a courageous battle against cancer. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. Tracy's celebration of life is Feb 7th. Instead of flowers, donations to Kindervelt have been requested. Please click here for more information.

Thank you for being an essential part of Kindervelt. Together we make a difference!

Warm regards,

Suzanne Nemeth

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Kindervelt City President

Make an Impact - Send a Valentine!

Valentine's Day is just around the corner, and we can help make it extra special for the patients at Cincinnati Children's.

With just a few clicks, you can send a heartfelt card to a child at Cincinnati Children's. Choose from beautiful, locally designed valentines created in collaboration with Kolar, and they'll ensure your kind message brings a smile to a child in need. Your thoughtful gesture can make a world of difference, turning a hospital stay into a moment of joy and comfort for young patients. (It's easy & free to send a card)

Send a Valentine

Upcoming Events

Just click on a flyer to download.

All Members & Guests Leadership Meeting
February 23rd, 9:30 - 11:30

We invite all Kindervelt members to join us for our Leadership Meeting on February 23rd from 9:30-11:30 AM at the Sabin Auditorium on Children's Main Campus (between locations C & D). Come connect, exchange ideas, and help shape the next chapter of our Kindervelt journey! Please RSVP by February 9th using the link below.

Register NOW!

Advanced Leukemia Therapies Research Center Tour
February 23rd, 12:30 - 2:00

Please join us for a tour of the Advanced Leukemia Therapies and Research Center! The tour will be held Monday February 23, 2026 from 12:30 - 2:00pm. The group size is limited to 15 people. We have timed this tour to follow the Open Leadership Meeting on Feb 23rd from 9:30 -11:30 but allowing time for you to grab lunch in the cafeteria before the tour starts.

Dr. Dan Starczynowski will deliver a concise presentation on the laboratory's current research initiatives and elucidate how our fundraising efforts directly contribute to the Leukemia Center and cancer research at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

More information on the signup site.

- Agenda:
Tour
Informative slideshow presentation
Interactive Q&A session

Tour signup

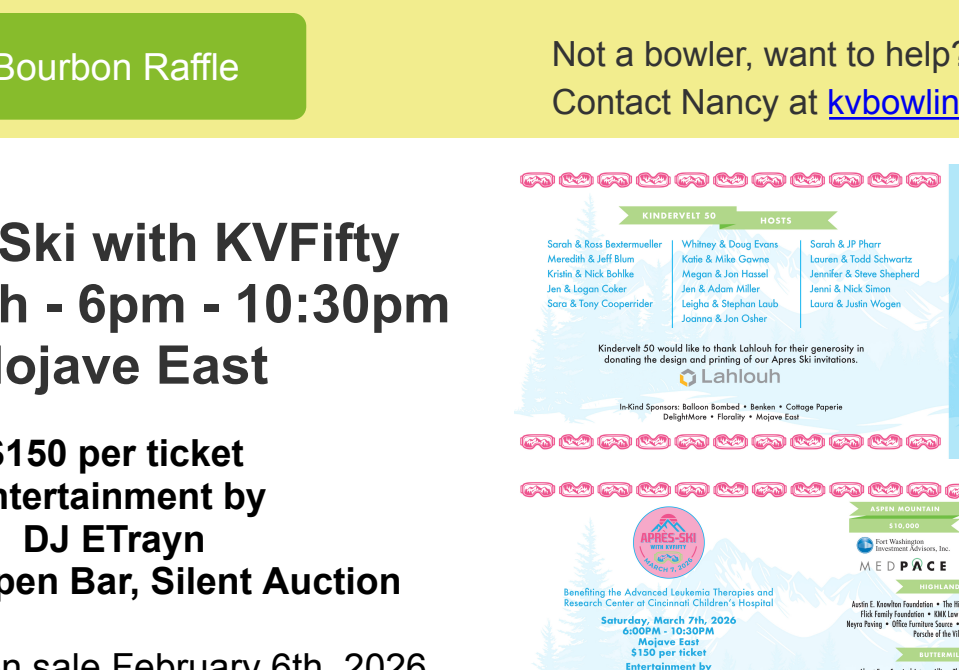
KV #8 & #45 Annual Pickleball Tournament
February 21, 2026
Don't wait! Fills up quickly



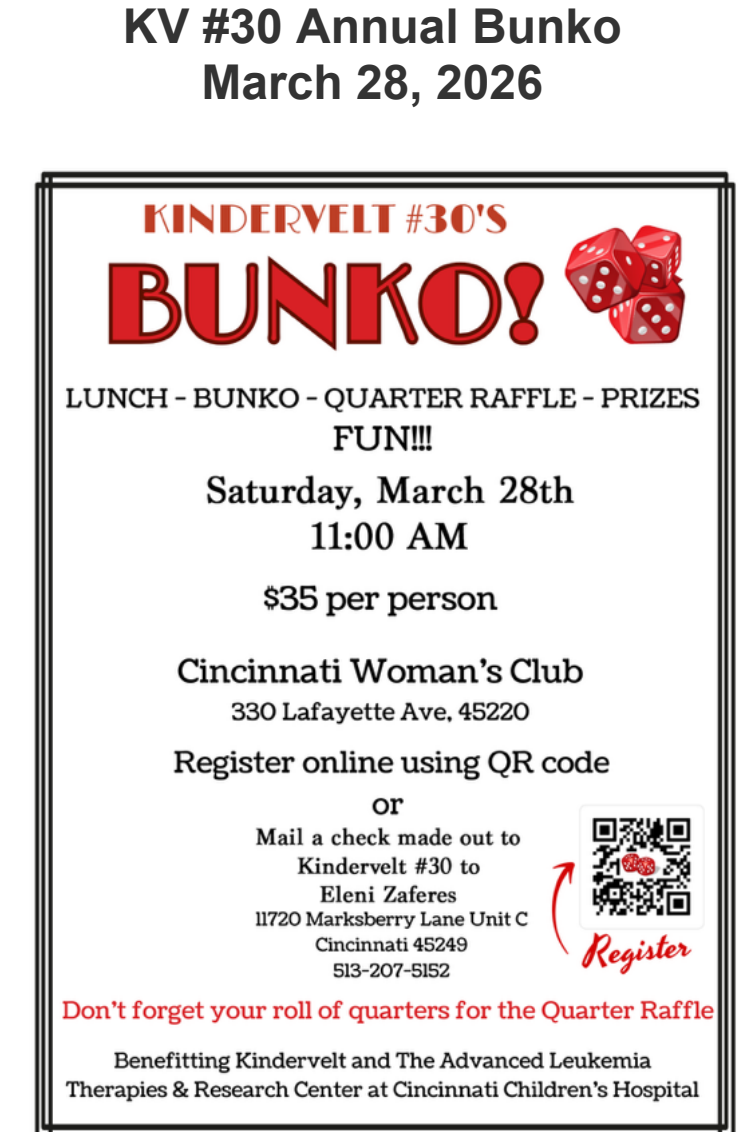
Contact Sherry for more info and to volunteer HERE!

Pickle Ball Registration

Thank you to our Pickleball sponsors!



KV Bowl - "Strike Up the Fun!"



KV Bowl - Register NOW!
Saturday
March 14, 1 - 4PM
Madison Bowl
4761 Madison Rd.

Information, Registration & Sponsorship Opportunities, Bourbon Raffle too!



Grab your chances at this great bourbon selection raffle. This raffle contains one bottle each of Blanton's, E.H. Taylor Jr. Small Batch Bourbon, Weller Red & Green Bourbon and Buffalo Trace. Need not be present to win!

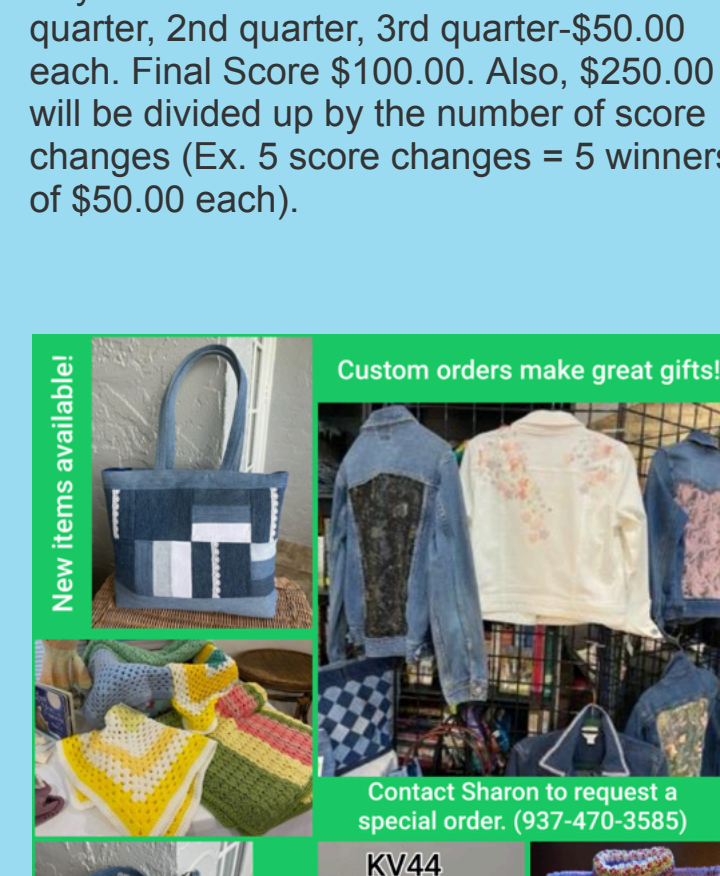
Bourbon Raffle

Not a bowler, want to help? Volunteer! Contact Nancy at kvbowling@kindervelt.org

Après-Ski with KV Fifty
March 7th - 6pm - 10:30pm
Mojave East

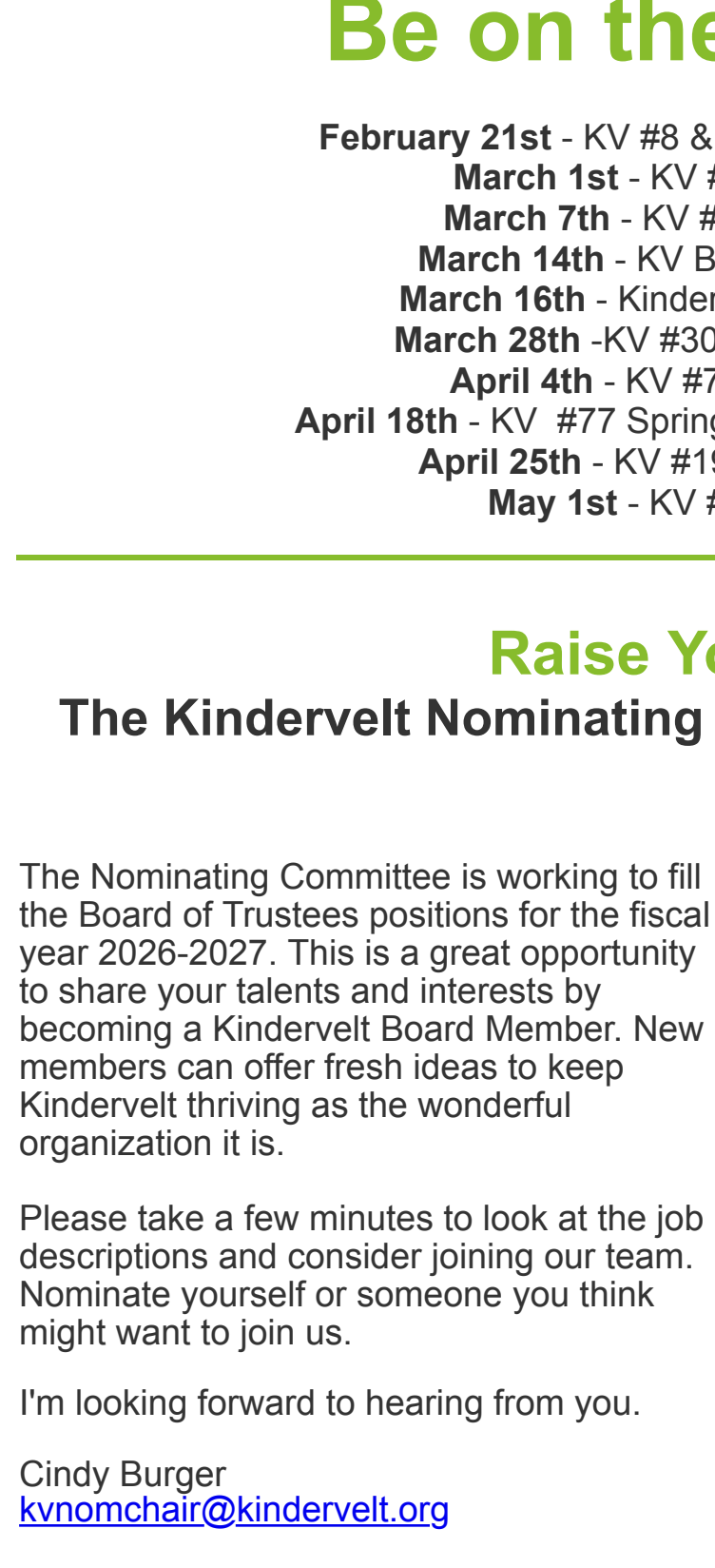
\$150 per ticket
Entertainment by DJ Sra
Dinner, Open Bar, Silent Auction

Tickets go on sale February 6th, 2026
Register here:
https://KV50ApréSki.givesmart.com
Attire: Ski Extreme meets Mountain Chic



Registration opens Feb. 6th

KV #30 Annual Bunko
March 28, 2026



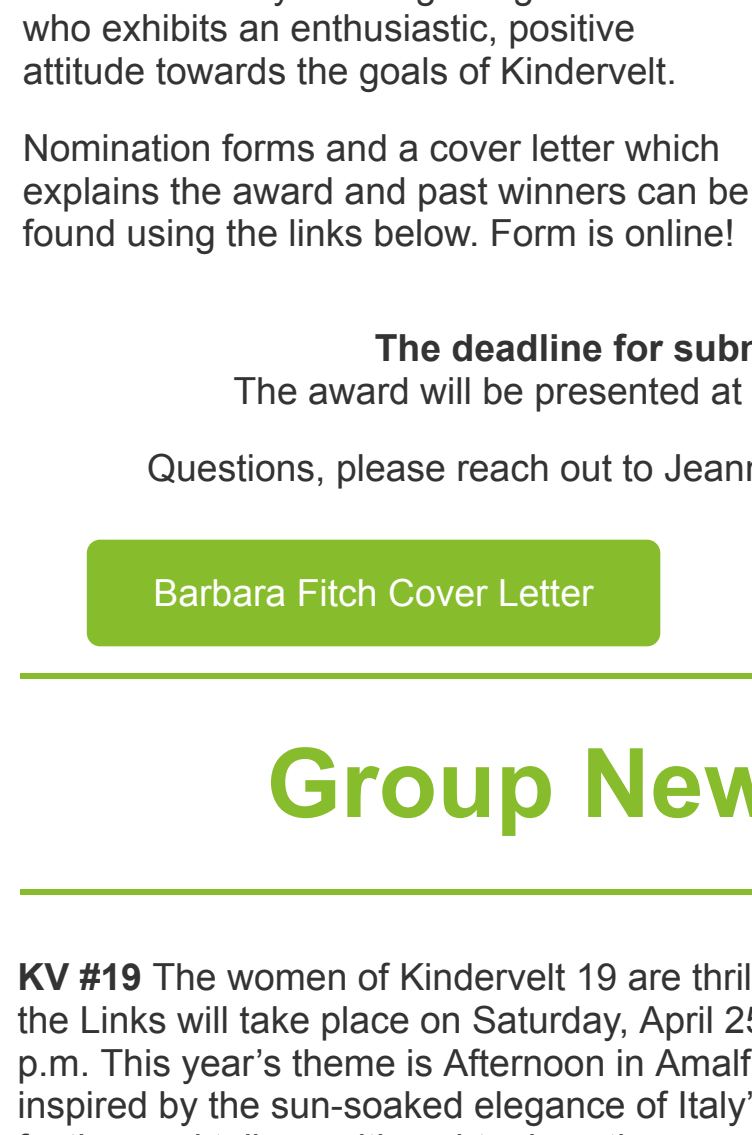
Bunko Registration

KV Krafts
March 16th, 9:30 - 2:30
Sabin Auditorium at CCHMC



Kindervelt Krafts final craft and bake sale is just around the corner. Details will be available in the February leadership mailboxes. Keep crafting! For questions, please contact Bonnie Hueneman at bonniehueneman@gmail.com or 513-235-1122.

KV #77 Spring Luncheon
April 18th



KV #44 Markets custom jackets and a huge variety of handcrafted textile items. Check out their selection on Facebook, @Stitching4Kids

KV #68 Super Bowl LX "Split the Pot"

KV #68 is hosting its annual "Super Bowl Split the Pot" again this year! There will be 100 squares available at \$10 each. To participate, please contact Bonnie Hueneman with the number of squares you would like to purchase. Sales run January 1 through February 1, or until all squares are sold. Contact Bonnie to reserve your square(s) Bonniehueneman@gmail.com or 513-235-1122. Payout Matrix: Score at the end of 1st quarter, 2nd quarter, 3rd quarter-\$50.00 each. Final Score \$100.00. Also, \$250.00 will be divided up by the number of score changes (Ex. 5 score changes = 5 winners of \$50.00 each).



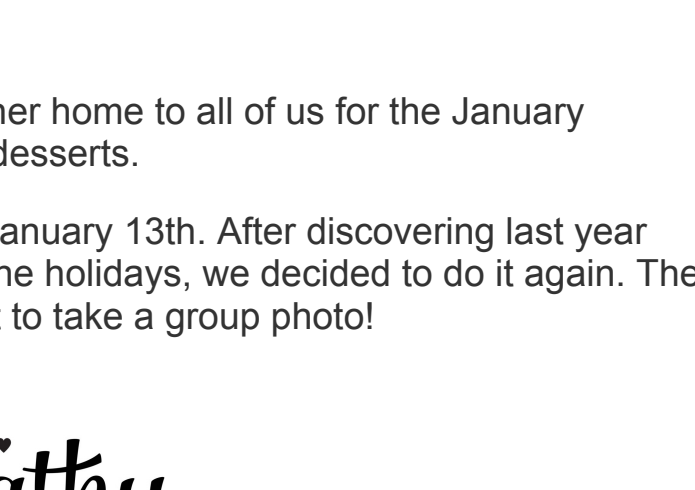
Be on the Lookout

- February 21st - KV #8 & #45 Pickleball Tournament
March 1st - KV #68 Princess Party
March 7th - KV #50 Apres-Ski Party
March 14th - KV Bowl at Madison Bowl
March 16th - Kindervelt Krafts at CCHMC
March 28th - KV #30 Bunko and Luncheon
April 4th - KV #76 Eggstravaganza
April 18th - KV #77 Spring Luncheon & Amalfi Show
April 25th - KV #19 Afternoon in Fashion
May 1st - KV #68 Golf for Kids

Raise Your Hand

The Kindervelt Nominating Committee needs your help!

The Kindervelt Nominating Committee is working to fill the Board of Trustees positions for the fiscal year 2026-2027. This is a great opportunity to share your talents and interests by becoming a Kindervelt Board 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 job descriptions and consider joining our team. Nominate yourself or someone you think might want to join us.

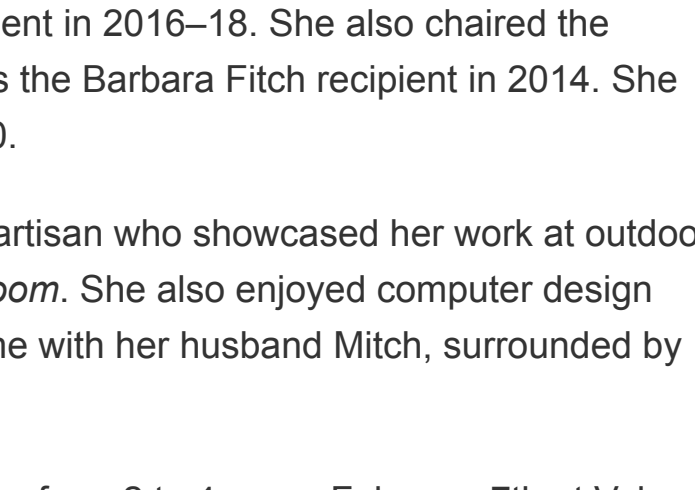
I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Kyndy Chaur
kynomchair@kindervelt.org

Board Job Descriptions

Annual Barbara Fitch Award Nomination

The 2025-26 Kindervelt year is more than half over and we still have much more on the calendar!



One important item is the Barbara Fitch Award nomination process. This award is Kindervelt's way of recognizing one our own who exhibits an enthusiastic, positive attitude towards the goals of Kindervelt.

Nomination forms and a cover letter which explains the award and past winners can be found using the links below. Form is online!

The deadline for submissions is March 31st. The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting on May 13th.

Questions, please reach out to Jeanne Reisinger at reisingerjr@gmail.com

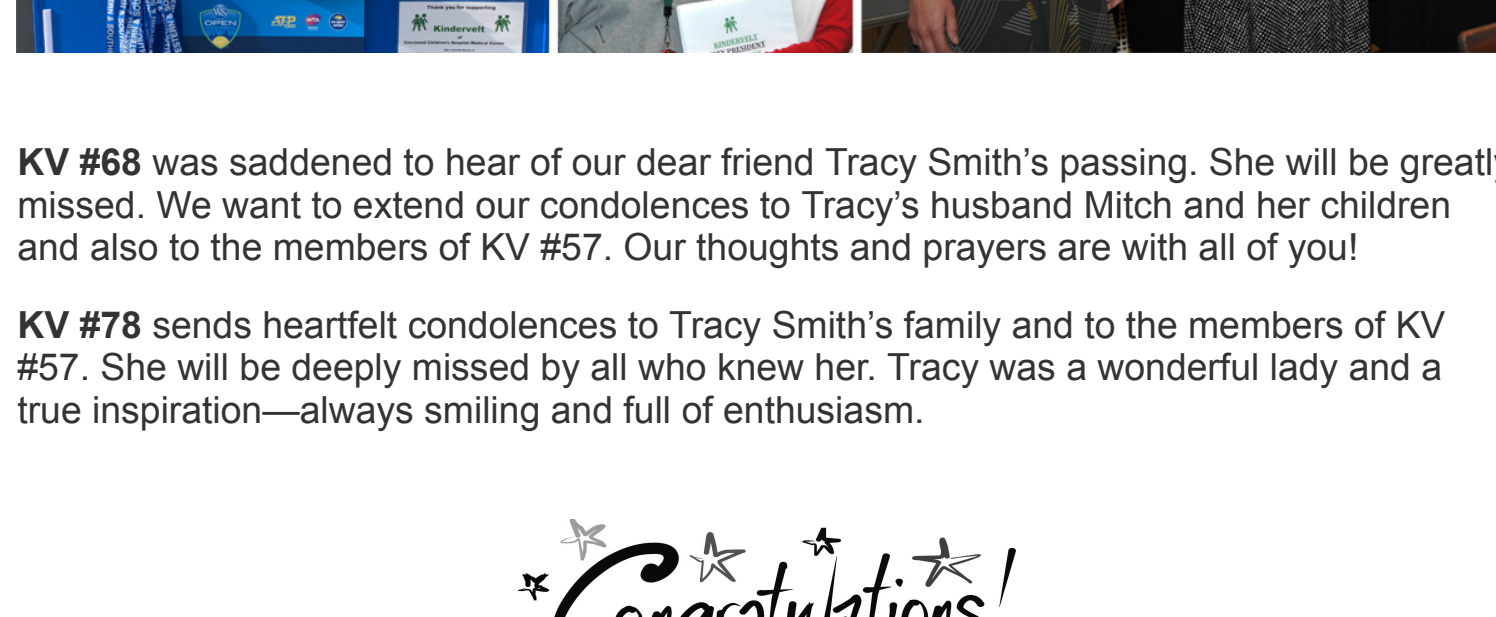
Barbara Fitch Cover Letter

Barbara Fitch Nomination Form

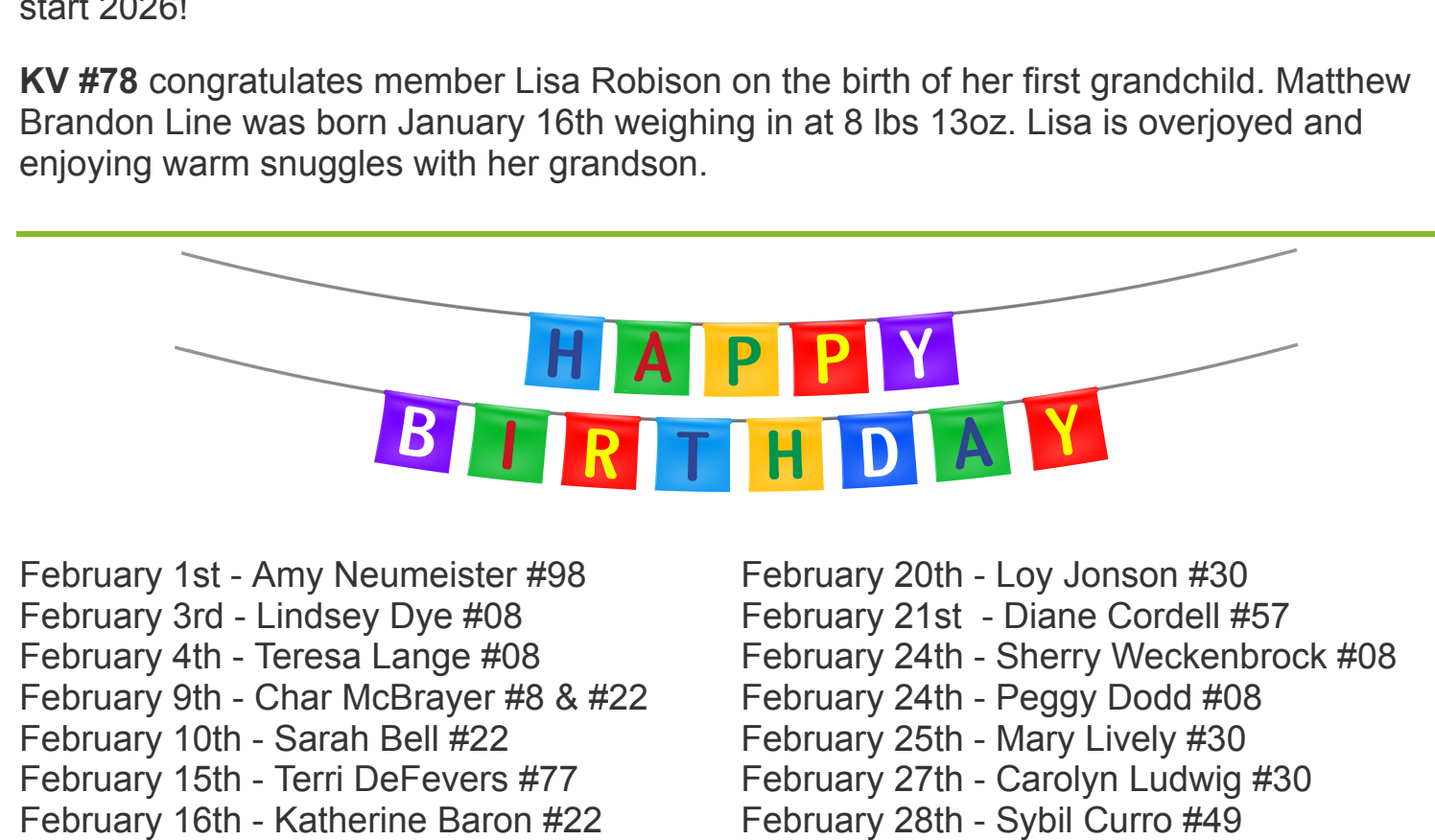
Group News & Tidbits

KV #19 The women of Kindervelt 19 are thrilled to announce that the 18th annual Lunch at the Links will take place on Saturday, April 25th, at the Heritage Club, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. This year's theme is Afternoon in Amalfi, so get ready for an unforgettable afternoon inspired by the sun-soaked elegance of Italy's Amalfi Coast! Enjoy a Curio #49 lunch, festive cocktails, exciting virtual auctions, and the charm of a coastal escape. The ladies can't wait to make this the best year yet! Official save-the-dates will be coming soon, but mark your calendars now!

KV #22 braved the threat of snow and held their Holiday Party at the home of Sue and Brian Crosby. The spirit was lively, the food was delicious as we toasted in 2026 and good friends! We are grateful that many of us live within walking distance so we could brave the incoming snow storm. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

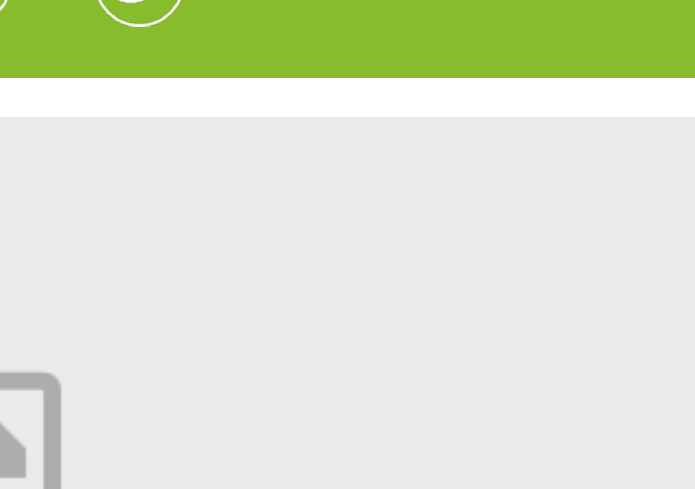


KV #50 would like to thank the Apres-Ski event sponsors for supporting their fundraising efforts for Kindervelt and the Advanced Leukemia Therapies and Research Center.



KV #56 would like to wish everyone good health and much happiness for 2026. Many of us have had family members and our friends/children treated at CCHMC. We LOVE the special care given to all patients and we are grateful for who are part of this wonderful community of volunteers! LOVE to all!

KV #57 Logo Merchandise Available! We have new logo items for sale, including t-shirts, sweatshirts, totes, hats, and more. For details and ordering information click HERE. questions, contact Melissa Donovan at melissa.donovan@me.com



They also have a limited selection of vintage t-shirts available. For availability, contact Pat at pik3230@gmail.com

KV #68 would like to thank Sherry for opening her home to all of us for the January meeting. Thanks also to Rita for the wonderful desserts.

KV #78 enjoyed our holiday potluck dinner on January 13th. After discovering last year how much more relaxed it is to celebrate after the holidays, we decided to do it again. The evening was so much fun, we completely forgot to take a group photo!

With Deepest Sympathy

The Kindervelt Board and broader membership extend their deepest sympathy to Tracy Smith's husband and family.

Tracy joined Kindervelt in 1995 after connecting with other members while serving as a Cub Scout den leader, becoming a proud member of KV #57 Northeast (formerly Landan).

She quickly became deeply involved, holding numerous leadership roles within her group and citywide including several terms as her group President. She chaired Raffles and Raffles and was her group's Mark Rep (Kindervelt Krafts) for several years.

Tracy served as Citywide Markt Chair in 2011 and held several Citywide Board of Trustee positions, leading to her role as Citywide President in 2016-18. She also chaired the Kindervelt Fall Event for several years. She was the Barbara Fitch recipient in 2014. She has been our Technology chair since June 2020.

On a personal note, Tracy was a gifted pottery artisan who showcased her work at outdoor art shows through her home studio, The Clay Room. She also enjoyed computer design and creative printing, and shared a country home with her husband Mitch, surrounded by animals she loved.

A memorial reception will be held in Tracy's home from 2 to 4pm on February 7th at Vale-Hoskins Funeral Home, 513 West Pike St, Morrow, Oh. Following the gathering at the funeral home, the family invites everyone to their home at 5410 Roachester Osceola Rd in Morrow to spend time together, share memories, and support one another. Bringing a dish or dessert is appreciated but not expected—your presence alone means a great deal to them.

Full obituary can be found HERE.

KV #68 was saddened to hear of our dear friend Tracy Smith's passing. She will be greatly missed. We want to extend our condolences to Tracy's husband Mitch and her children and also to the members of KV #57. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!

KV #78 sends heartfelt condolences to Tracy Smith's family and to the members of KV #57. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Tracy was a wonderful lady and a true inspiration—always smiling and full of enthusiasm. We are grateful for her presence and the joy she brought to all.

Congratulations!

KV #16 sends congratulations to Karl Deters and Marcus Lea on the birth of their son, Theodore James Lea, on January 13th, weighing in at 7 lbs., 14 oz. That also means congratulations to Grandma and Grandpa Linda and Dave Deters! What a beautiful way to start 2026!

KV #78 congratulates member Lisa Robison on the birth of her first grandchild, Matthew Brandon Line was born January 16th weighing in at 8 lbs 13oz. Lisa is overjoyed and enjoying warm snuggles with her grandson.

- February 1st - Amy Neumeister #98
February 3rd - Lindsey Dye #08
February 4th - Teresa Lange #08
February 9th - Char McBrayer #8 & #22
February 10th - Sarah Bell #22
February 15th - Terri DeFevres #77
February 16th - Katherine Barton #22
February 17th - Beth Pollock #78
February 18th - Bonnie Finn #22
February 19th - Diane Campbell #68

- February 20th - Loy Jonson #30
February 21st - Diane Cordell #57
February 24th - Sherry Weckenbrock #08
February 24th - Peggy Dodd #08
February 25th - Mary Lively #30
February 27th - Carolyn Ludwig #30
February 28th - Enjoy! Curio #49 lunch
February 29th - Marla Gross #22
February 29th - Shelly Reddy #22

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