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Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph Mo

Annual Report 2004/2005



Arts Fund Surpasses Goal

Special points of interest:

- Arts Fund raises \$169,000
- Council Hires new director
- Arts Education progressed
- Trails West!® brings Lewis & Clark to St. Joseph
- Member agencies benefit from Allied Arts Council marketing.

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Joe and Noreen Houts were faced with a big challenge: increase Arts Fund pledges this year by 5%. Undaunted by the task, the Houts duo organized a dynamite team of division chairs that not only met the goal but also exceeded it by over \$9,000. Joe Houts said, "Our volunteers were dedicated and determined to do this. They worked hard for two months and their efforts have paid off. We all believed that the community would show its support for the arts and it did."

Several Arts Fund divisions showed significant increases in both the number of donors and the amount raised. **Julia Schneider** chaired the Missouri Western State College employee campaign and increased campus-wide giving by 38 percent with a total of \$7,551. **Dr. Ed Andres** and his

wife **Grace** chaired the doctors' division that saw an increase of 25 percent in giving with a total of \$20,278. **Sharon Kosek** chaired the St. Joseph School District division that raised \$9,495 for a 17 percent increase. **Tom Mahoney** chaired the Special Gifts division which had a 16 percent increase, thanks in part to a \$1,500 grant from the Land O'Lakes Foundation. Other Arts Fund division chairs who helped make the campaign a success were **Melissa Koch**, Pacesetters and Major Firms; **Kim Ray**, Trendsetters; **Corky Marquart**, Industrial; **Bill Carpenter**, Finance; **Art Warner**, Services; **Seth Wright**, Attorneys; and **Jack Fleck**, Heartland Employees.

Arts Fund campaign manager **Christy Barber**, with assistance from **Tammy San-**



The Community Chorus provides an Art Attack at Hy-Vee

tos and **Cathy Ketter**, ran the campaign efficiently, giving the volunteers the tools needed to succeed.

The Arts Fund provides an average of 22 percent of the annual budgets for the Allied Arts Council, American Guild of Organists, Creative Arts Productions, Performing Arts Association, Robidoux Resident Theatre, St. Joseph Community Chorus and the Saint Joseph Symphony.

Council Bids Farewell to Longtime Director

After nearly ten years of service, **Wally Bloss** resigned in December to take a position in Logan, Utah. His leadership during his tenure moved the Council forward. The Council held a bittersweet farewell to Wally and Leecia at the Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art in December. Opera-

tions Manager **Cathy Ketter** ably served as Interim Director during the search for a new director. The Council used the opportunity Wally's resignation presented to conduct focus groups to determine how best the Council can serve the community and the qualities an Executive Di-

rector should possess. President **Bobbie Cronk** appointed a search committee that conducted a nationwide search and interviewed several applicants before presenting their recommendation to the Board of Directors. **Teresa Fankhauser** assumed the position of Executive Director in May.

Arts Education Focus



Artscape student works on creating a basket.

Under the leadership of the Arts Education Committee and with the assistance of Operations Manager **Cathy Ketter**, the Allied Arts Council provides a variety of educational programs, including *Artists in the Schools* and *Artscape*. The all-volunteer committee, made up of Council members, area teachers and citizens, included **Sharmyn Thompson**, co-chair, **Nancy Reese-Dillon**, co-chair, **Rebecca Giles**, **Karen Jensen**, **Rosie Lammoglia**, **Carol Matt**, **Barbara Maxwell**, **Dora-**

thea Polsky, **Rick Rader**, **Linda Riddle**, **Rhonda Rund**, **Mary Helen Stuber**, **Kathy Wessler**, and **Jennifer Zeller**.

Artists in the Schools, begun in 1982-1983, has grown from 28 sessions its first year to 117 sessions in 2004-2005. This enrichment program now reaches 6,000-7,000 children, teachers and parents annually, and includes some of the region's best artists, who visited schools and worked in classrooms to provide support across the entire curriculum.

Artscape was held during August on the campus of Missouri Western State College, the program's co-sponsor. This multi-discipline day camp, begun in 1988, offered young people a selection of 14 art classes, which enhanced their overall education. Enrollment last year included 98 full-time and 79 half-time students, 33% from St. Joseph public schools, 31% from out-of-town schools, and 36% from private/parochial/home schools.

Submitted by Cathy Ketter,
Operations Manager



Art for the Health of It exhibit
Fall 2004

Visual Arts Success Stories

The Visual Arts Committee provided a full palette of activities this year. Committee members **Rick & Terri Rader**, **Max King**, **Kaye Harbster** and co-chairs **Rhonda Rund** and **Evelyn Jordan Isaacs** assisted Program Coordinator **Tammy Santos** in planning and implementing three ex-

hibits. Heartland Health hosted the fall and spring *Art for the Health of It* exhibits with over 80 pieces displayed in the hospital corridors.

An exciting element this year was the *Art for Business' Sake* exhibit. Winners from the last 3 years of *Art for the Health of It* displayed their work at the new East

Hills Library. Nine artists exhibited forty-five works of art. An opening reception held Saturday April 2, 2005 brought families, friends, and library patrons to the opening.

Submitted by Tammy Santos,
Program Coordinator



2004 Arts Educator
Jerry Anderson

Arts Marketing

Missouri Western Intern **Hannorah Hannah** prepared the Arts Events Calendar, which was printed and distributed to members, placed in racks around town, and sent to tourism interests. It provided scheduling information for all the member

agencies' activities.

Cathy Ketter and **Wally Bloss** served as webmasters for the Allied Arts Council and several member organizations' websites.

The Annual Mayor's Awards for the Arts recog-

nized several arts supporters and artists at last year's annual meeting.

Updated arts photos were provided to the St. Joseph Convention and Visitor's Bureau, and used in the Visitors' Guide.

Trails West!®

This year the festival moved to July to coincide with the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery commemoration. The festival featured the Tent of Many Voices, a 150-seat venue for cultural arts demonstrations, folklore, music, living history presentations, and readings from expedition journals.

Official estimates put attendance at over 80,000 for the three-day festival. The largest gathering was on Saturday

night, when country music fans packed the festival grounds for the Tracy Lawrence concert. On Sunday, Mother Nature brought thunderstorms to town with torrential rains, hail, and gusting winds forcing the festival to close before the Main Stage entertainment started.

Trails West!®, northwest Missouri's largest festival, was established in partnership with the City of St. Joseph, Buchanan County and the St. Joseph Convention and

Visitors Bureau in 1993 as a sesquicentennial celebration. It was so well received the City asked the Allied Arts Council to continue hosting Trails West!® as an annual arts festival. This past year marked the 12th year the Council has hosted the event.



Preschooler makes art project in Children's Activities tent.

Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, Mo., Inc.

2005 Annual Meeting

Thursday, July 14, 2005

Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art

Program

Reception and Cash Bar

6:00 p.m.

Dinner

6:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting

7:30 p.m.

Convene Annual Meeting	Bobbie Cronk, President
Welcome	Bobbie Cronk, President
Executive Director's Remarks	Teresa Fankhauser
Financial Report	Gregg Larson, Treasurer
Recognition of Retiring Board Members	Bobbie Cronk, President
Report of the Nominating Committee	Eddie Everly, Chair
Election (New Board Members, Nominating Committee, David H. Morton Memorial Fund for the Arts Trustees)	
Annual Meeting Adjournment	
Convene July Board of Directors Meeting	Bobbie Cronk, President
Election of Officers	
Other Business	
Adjournment of Board of Directors Meeting	
Mayor's Awards for the Arts	David J. Jones, Mayor



Staff members Tammy Santos and Cathy Ketter greet guests at the annual meeting.



Jackson and Evelyn Jordan-Isaacs enjoy dinner and good conversation during the annual meeting.

**Allied Arts Council
2004-2005**

**Board of Directors
Officers**

Bobbie Cronk, President
Kathy Bahner, President-Elect
Cathy McKim, Vice-President
Sharaon Hinderks, Secretary
Gregg Larson, Treasurer

*Kathy Bahner
Brian Carson
*Karen Corder
Bobbie Cronk
Rich & Barb Crumley
Gloria Davis
*Eddie Everly
Janie Findley
*Sharon Gray
Stan Hall
*Sharaon Hinderks
Scott Johnson
Evelyn Jordan-Isaacs
Rodger Karn
*Bob Klostermeyer

Gregg Larson
*Christina Lund
David Mason, Jr.
Cathy McKim
Al Meloni
*Mary Meloni
*Dot Miriani
Alicia Morgan
Ron Olinger
Bob Orf
Mike Pittman
Frank Polleck
*John Roeder
Bob Spurgat
Sharmyn Thompson
Donna Turk
Sandra Wattenbarger
*Denotes retiring Board member
**Report of the
Nominating Committee
Officers for 2005-2006**
Bobbie Cronk, President
Kathy Bahner, President-Elect
Cathy McKim, Vice-President
Sharaon Hinderks, Secretary

Ron Olinger, Treasurer
Board of Directors

Class of '06

Ali Wray

Class of '08

Kathy Bahner
Karen Corder
Marcy George
Sharaon Hinderks
Christina Lund
Mary Meloni
John Roeder
Rhonda Rund

2005-2006

Nominating Committee

Bobbie Cronk
Karen Graves
Stan Harris
Cathy McKim
Ali Wray

**David H. Morton Memorial Fund
for the Arts Trustees**

(Terms expiring June 30, 2011)

Gloria Davis
Judy McMurray
Jan Mehl

Mayor's Awards Nominees

**Mayor's Awards for the Arts
Nominees for 2005**

Individual Artist

Dr. Joe Friedman
(1998 recipient)

**Extraordinary Lifetime
Achievement Award**

Dr. Joe Friedman

Arts Volunteer

Barbara Maxwell
Ali Wray

Arts Educator

Ryan VanDyke

Arts Project

American Guild of Organists,
St. Joseph Chapter
Holiday Park
(St. Joseph Parks, Recreation
and Civic Facilities Department
and Larry Stobbs/
East Hills Optimist Club)
Lafayette High School's
All-School Project

Business or Corporation

Robert (Bob) G. Bolin, Sr.

Youth Artist

No nominees

Awards Committee

Marie Hunter, (convener)
City of Columbia
Office of Cultural Affairs
Columbia, MO

Twyla Boutwell
Branson Arts Council
Branson, MO

Kristi Kittleson
MACAA
Springfield, MO

*Special thanks
to:*

*David J. Jones,
Mayor,
City of
St. Joseph,
and
Sally Pike,
Administrative
Assistant to the
Mayor*