

GAPP Treasurer's Report

2006 Year End July 2007 YTD

Total Opening Balance	\$7,212.47	\$2,770.23
Private Loan	\$9,000.00	\$7,000.00
INCOME		
General Fund:		
Contributions	\$1,025.00	\$1,395.00
Program Sponsorships	\$4,384.00	\$250.00
Scholarship Sponsorships	\$1,400.00	\$700.00
Admission/Ticket/T-Shirt Sales	\$305.00	\$445.00
Total General Fund Income	\$7,114.00	\$2,790.00
Peace Pole:		
Contributions	\$1,217.25	\$152.00
Pavers Sold	\$1,150.00	\$450.00
Garage Sale	\$709.50	\$245.00
Kroger Card Funds	\$1,292.16	\$1,177.60
Playhouse Bake Sale Fundraisers	\$461.72	\$0.00
Goodsearch/Amazon Fundraisers	\$0.00	\$139.10
Auction	\$4,773.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$38.85	\$0.00
Total Peace Pole Income	\$9,642.48	\$2,163.70
Total Income	\$16,756.48	\$4,953.70
EXPENSES		
General Fund:		
Community Relations	\$65.00	\$65.00
Copying Costs	\$131.26	\$0.00
Operations	\$375.03	\$278.40
Postage	\$240.00	\$16.40
Community Art Award	\$100.00	\$0.00
Program: HAW/Religious Diversity	\$312.03	\$296.58
Program: Tellabration	\$613.50	\$0.00
Program: Opening Doors	\$3,045.43	\$0.00
Scholarships	\$900.00	\$1,200.00
Telephone	\$75.00	\$43.75
Total General Fund Expenses	\$5,857.25	\$1,900.13
Peace Pole:		
Landscaping and Installation	\$22,585.75	\$0.00
Pavers	\$405.00	\$105.00
Auction	\$1,350.72	\$0.00
Total Peace Pole Expenses	\$24,341.47	\$105.00
Total Expenses	\$30,198.72	\$2,005.13
Net Income	-\$13,442.24	\$2,948.57
Ending Balance	\$2,770.23	\$3,718.80

GAPP Advisory Board

Greg Cox, Fr. Paul Donohue, mccc, Dick Gruber, Lori Krafte, Esq.,
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Greater Anderson Promotes Peace is a nonprofit organization serving Mt. Washington, Anderson Township, Newtown and western Clermont County. Since 1999, GAPP has provided community-building activities and programs that honor diversity, encourage understanding and promote inclusion.

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LOUISE LAWARRE**



Dear Friends of GAPP,

“Conversation is the natural way humans think together,” according to organizational consultant Margaret Wheatley in her book, **Turning to One Another**. Good conversation, she says, requires that we acknowledge one another as equals; stay curious about each other; help each other to become better listeners; and take time to think and reflect.

GAPP’s many activities this year have provided opportunities for this kind of listening and sharing. Through sharing stories, learning about religious traditions, encouraging students, and becoming a Freedom Stations Affiliate with the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, GAPP has offered people many ways to meet neighbors, to appreciate our commonalities and differences and to foster respect in the midst of diversity.

Here’s our annual glimpse of recent GAPP activities. There are many ways you can “join the conversation” throughout the coming year.



COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS LEAD TO ACTION

GAPP and the Forest Hills School District collaborated in 2006 to bring adults and students together for dialogue about diversity in our community. During four sessions, participants shared their experiences, examined issues and developed action plans to promote respect for diversity in our area. Here’s an update on their activities:

- GAPP’s Religious Diversity Task Force held a “Getting to Know Your Neighbor” event allowing participants to learn about the variety of area religious traditions. A follow-up to the event included tours at three places of worship: Congregation Beth Adam (Judaism), Hindu Temple of Cincinnati and Greater Cincinnati Islamic Center (Muslim). More “Getting to Know Your Neighbor” events are in the works for 2008.
- The GAPP Book Club meets monthly for fun and frank discussions on titles related to diversity and inclusion. Check out www.gappeace.org for the latest books and reading schedule. And don’t forget to purchase books through our Amazon shopping link on the Web site too — GAPP receives a financial contribution!
- The Turpin students who created DISCO (Diverse Individuals Seeking Community and Oneness) had an active first year. Two Mix-It-Up lunch days were planned to encourage students to sit in different groupings. The inaugural event included more than \$2,000 in merchandise certificates and discounts from area businesses. A movie night showing Crash with post-movie discussion and a Gay Awareness Day held on the Day of Silence were also student-initiated events. The group is planning for more Mix-It-Up days this year and is proposing an Ethnic Extravaganza for Mercer students. Students are also working out repeated opportunities to broaden their horizons with student exchanges or soup-kitchen/nursing-home visits to develop a sense of relationship with others. A Save Darfur event is being planned for the fall with guest speaker Nick Clooney.

'06- '07 YEAR IN REVIEW

WELCOME THREE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

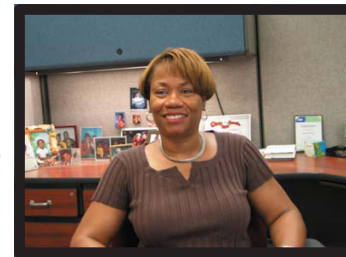
Each May, GAPP holds an annual meeting that focuses on the election of officers and advisory board members as individual terms expire. Our leadership and membership consist of an extraordinary group of people, dedicated to diversity and inclusion in their work and in their personal lives. Everyone comes to the table as a volunteer, eager to pitch in with ideas and support. Here’s a look at three new advisory board members joining us this year.

Greg Cox, a 20-year resident of Anderson Township and graduate of Indiana University, is director of sales for Southwestern Ohio for The American Group, where he assists small- to medium-sized companies with strategies to reduce costs and better manage a range of issues including workers’ compensation, payroll, group benefits and human resource compliance.

Greg is an avid skier and bicyclist whose concern for community is evident from his many volunteer activities: Cincinnati Works’ executive committee board secretary, a member of Agenda 360’s education committee and a volunteer for Cincinnati Public School’s community learning centers (CLC) initiative. He is also a former Big Brother/Big Sister volunteer, board and executive board member and was honored as a Big Brother of the Year.

Dick Gruber is enjoying an active retirement. The former Xavier University professor is a 30-year resident of Anderson. His professional accomplishments include being a past-chair and member of XU’s History Department, where he specialized in modern Irish and British history and in the history of war and peace. He was director of XU’s Graduate Humanities Program and co-founder and a past-chair of its Peace Studies Program. With Rosa Blackwell, now superintendent of Cincinnati Public Schools, and John Clark, he was a co-founder of the Paideia Institute, the Xavier training program required of all who teach in the Paideia magnet schools in Cincinnati; more than 600 Cincinnati teachers have participated in the program.

As a harbinger of his retirement, 25 of his African safari pictures were the subject of a special exhibit at the Schiff Family Conference Center at Xavier from March - July 2007.



Brenda J. Renfroe, senior functional specialist, Global Business Services-Information, Decisions and Solutions at Procter & Gamble began her journey in diversity and inclusion in Detroit, Mich., in 1992 while working at Michigan Bell Telephone Company. That awareness quickly became a passion and vision, which led Brenda to participate as a diversity trainer while working with P&G in Atlanta in 1994. Her GAPP contribu-

tions began as a member of the steering committee for the 2006 Opening Doors sessions.

A few of her other community activities include: Diversity and Inclusion trainer for the Girl Scouts-Great River Council, volunteer for the HOSTS (Helping One Student to Succeed) Cincinnati school reading program and for the governor’s council on increasing the African-American male graduation rate.

LAWARRE NAMED FREEDOM HERO

Louise Lawarre, GAPP’s executive director, was designated an Everyday Freedom Hero by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center and WCPO-TV.

Lawarre’s ability to take action to protect and extend freedom, her efforts in speaking up, working for change and encouraging others to learn and grow will be archived among other honorees’ work at the Freedom Center.

COMMUNITY ART AWARD

Erin Overmann of McNicholas High School was our 2006 winner. This year’s contest is open to eligible students in the 7th-12th grades within our service area. Details



and forms are available at www.gappeace.org. More than \$100 in prizes will be awarded. Eligible artwork goes on display at Beech Acres’ A Fair of the Arts. **Entry deadline is Sept. 14.**

LOOKING FORWARD...



GAPP’s Peace Pole debt is going, going...almost gone! Here are some easy ways to help finish paying off this \$60,000 project and get some great gifts for the holidays or upcoming celebrations.



Our **second online auction runs through September 26, 2007**. Check out the auction catalogue when it hits your inbox and buy one-of-a-kind treasures from our generous contributors. You can contribute, too! Just click the ‘donate now’ button on our auction page, follow the prompts and we’ll take care of the rest. Sign up for auction e-mail at www.gappeace.org. **Need more?** Consider being a featured auction sponsor. A financial gift to cover auction expenses is a great way to help GAPP and promote your own business. Drop us a line at auction@gappeace.org and we’ll get you more info, or ask to sign up for our auction e-mail blasts. Then just sit back, point and click for some great deals!

AND DON’T FORGET!

You can make your time and dollars work for GAPP by requesting Kroger cards, Susan’s Natural World discount cards, or using GoodSearch.com and our Web site link to Amazon.com. Or simply mail in or make an online contribution at www.gappeace.org.

FREEDOM TREE SPONSORSHIP \$2500

Contributors are acknowledged on one of three Freedom Tree markers. Ten percent of your gift will benefit the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. Freedom Tree Groves are part of a regional reforestation effort introduced by Paul Hemmer, and are a living memorial to the more than 400 million individuals that were sold into slavery in the United States. Only two of three designated trees are still available at the Peace Pole Garden at Beech Acres Park.

ENGRAVED PAVERS \$50

Have your paver placed at the Peace Pole Garden at Beech Acres Park. Paver forms are available at www.gappeace.org or call the 24-hour info line at 513-588-8391 and we’ll mail you one.

SAVE THE DATES

Next GAPP meetings
at Eastern Hills Friends Meeting House

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 7:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 13, 7:30 pm

GAPP presents 2007 Tellabration
at Heritage Universalist Unitarian Church

Saturday, Nov. 17, 7 pm

SCHOLARSHIPS

GAPP Scholarship winners for 2007: Sydney Calkin (pictured) Anderson High School; Rebecca Conrad, McNick; Shaun Kumar, Turpin; Elizabeth Rigg, West



Clermont/Glen Este. Find scholarship criteria at www.gappeace.org or ask for a form from your high school counselor.

FREEDOM STATIONS AFFILIATE

The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center has formally designated GAPP a Freedom Stations Affiliate.

Affiliates are a part of a national outreach program linking historic Underground Railroad sites, research centers, community-based organizations, university libraries and museums actively engaged in Underground Railroad research, historic preservation or contemporary freedom struggles.