

Candidates Sought: You Need Not Be Fanatical!

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The time is approaching for members of KHCA to nominate and elect officers. We are seeking candidates for all offices, but especially for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency. It is my perception that many of you have the skills and energy to do either of these "jobs" but are perhaps reluctant to "run" for office because you do not want to commit the amount of time and effort that I and Donna Savage did. Speaking as a recovering civic fanatic, I wish to state openly what many of you already know: KHCA does NOT need every President to function as I did during my time in office. When I took over, our association was in need of re-vitalization and had at least one "burning issue" facing it. In addition, I quickly became enamored of the many opportunities available to elected officers of civic associations to join committees, attend meetings, offer comments, etc. Much of what I did may have benefitted KHCA; but much of it was done because I ENJOYED it and WANTED to spend the time. Much of what I did was NOT necessary to the survival of KHCA. Our next President and (Vice President) will - and arguably SHOULD - have a very different style than mine (or Donna's). What is needed in either position is NOT a fanatical commitment or expenditure of time. What is needed is the desire to serve the Kensington Heights Community by representing it at selected meetings or hearings, including those few that are set forth in our By-Laws. Our next President (and Vice-President) can maintain KHCA as a stable and powerful voice for our community by taking on selected tasks and by delegating many others. I know so many of you have demonstrated skills in all walks of life: those same skills are all that is needed to make you an excellent officer of our citizens association. Please consider stepping forward as a candidate. KHCA needs you and you CAN do the job, without being a fanatic!

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