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ACADEMY ANNOUNCES 12TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

The Glenridge Academy is now accepting applications for its 12th Annual Scholarship Competition this month. Mary Nesbit, Dean of the Academy, recently made the announcement. Over the past 11 years, the Academy has offered scholarships totaling \$157,300 and provided financial assistance to 76 employees and children/grandchildren of employees. The ability to provide these scholarships comes from the Members as they support this endeavor through their contributions to the Glenridge Academy Scholarship Fund.

According to Mrs. Nesbit, “This is one of our favorite programs as it involves staff and children and grandchildren of employees competing for scholarship assistance to further their educational studies. The Academy is thankful to our generous supporters, who value education and give generously to support our Glenridge staff and their children or grandchildren in advancing their skills and education.”

For many of our Glenridge staff, spring is an exciting time of the year when the Academy begins accepting applications. Our graduating high schoolers are making their decisions regarding where to go to college and what

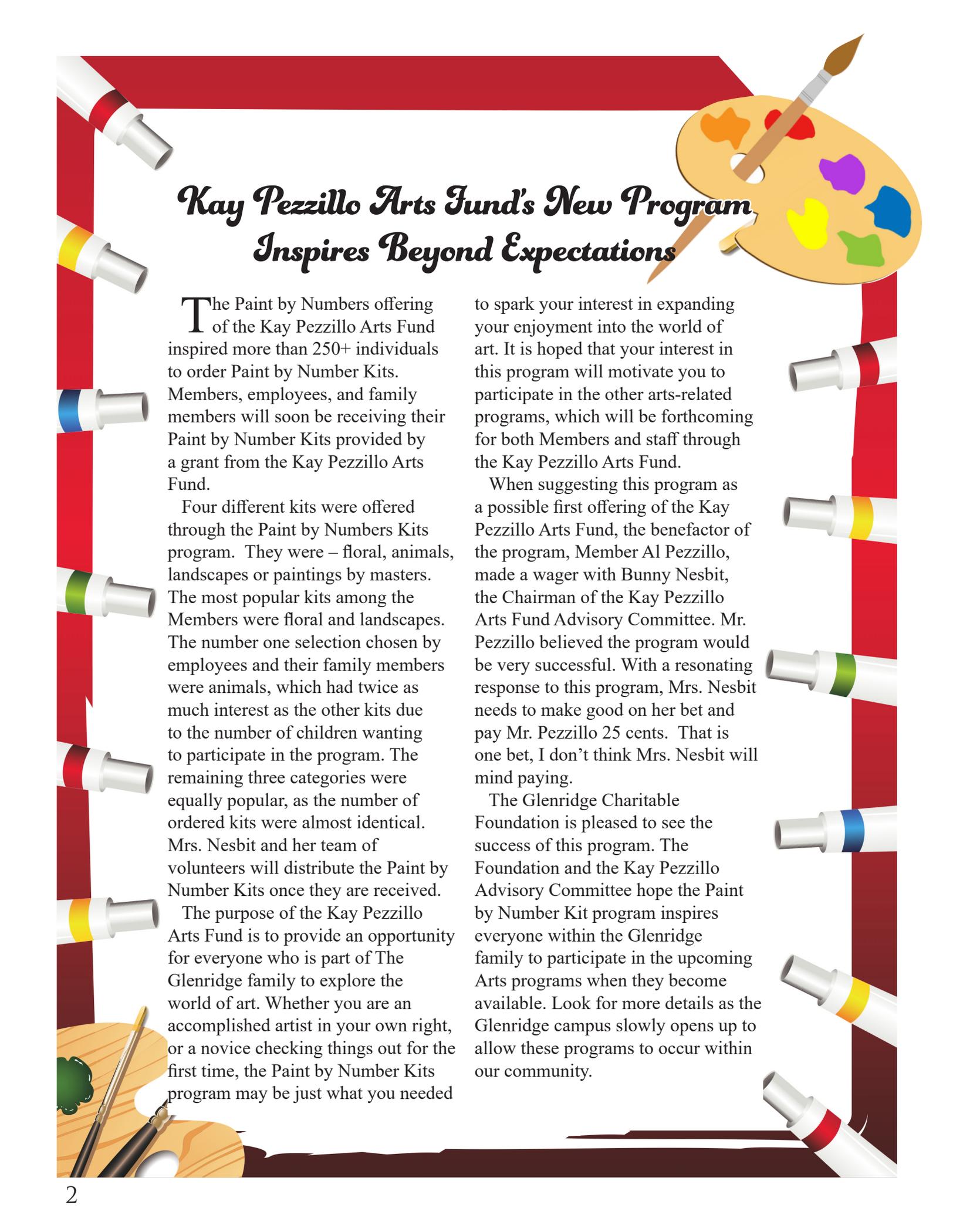
to study. Initially, it may be just the basics, or the start of a degree-granting program for the student. For employees of The Glenridge, it’s a time for them to sharpen their skills or to learn new skills, for example, a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) wanting to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), or an LPN wanting to become a Registered Nurse (RN).

Last year, the Academy awarded 17 scholarships, each worth \$3,000. If you haven’t already, it is not too late to donate to this year’s program through the Foundation to help the Academy assist students in achieving their dreams. All donations will be gladly accepted and used for the sole purpose of supporting the financial endeavors of the Scholarship Program.

Marny Stuart, Executive Director of the Foundation is ready to assist with your contribution to this worthwhile program. She can be reached at 941-552-5302 or stop in the Foundation office. She will be glad to help you support this worthy cause.

The Academy is looking forward to another exciting competitive program this year and sharing the 2021 winners in future communications.



The page is framed by a decorative border of various art supplies. On the left side, several paintbrushes with different colored handles (red, yellow, blue, green) are arranged vertically. On the right side, a large wooden palette with a paintbrush resting on it is positioned at the top, and more paintbrushes are arranged vertically below it. The background is a solid red color.

Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund's New Program Inspires Beyond Expectations

The Paint by Numbers offering of the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund inspired more than 250+ individuals to order Paint by Number Kits. Members, employees, and family members will soon be receiving their Paint by Number Kits provided by a grant from the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund.

Four different kits were offered through the Paint by Numbers Kits program. They were – floral, animals, landscapes or paintings by masters. The most popular kits among the Members were floral and landscapes. The number one selection chosen by employees and their family members were animals, which had twice as much interest as the other kits due to the number of children wanting to participate in the program. The remaining three categories were equally popular, as the number of ordered kits were almost identical. Mrs. Nesbit and her team of volunteers will distribute the Paint by Number Kits once they are received.

The purpose of the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund is to provide an opportunity for everyone who is part of The Glenridge family to explore the world of art. Whether you are an accomplished artist in your own right, or a novice checking things out for the first time, the Paint by Number Kits program may be just what you needed

to spark your interest in expanding your enjoyment into the world of art. It is hoped that your interest in this program will motivate you to participate in the other arts-related programs, which will be forthcoming for both Members and staff through the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund.

When suggesting this program as a possible first offering of the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund, the benefactor of the program, Member Al Pezzillo, made a wager with Bunny Nesbit, the Chairman of the Kay Pezzillo Arts Fund Advisory Committee. Mr. Pezzillo believed the program would be very successful. With a resonating response to this program, Mrs. Nesbit needs to make good on her bet and pay Mr. Pezzillo 25 cents. That is one bet, I don't think Mrs. Nesbit will mind paying.

The Glenridge Charitable Foundation is pleased to see the success of this program. The Foundation and the Kay Pezzillo Advisory Committee hope the Paint by Number Kit program inspires everyone within the Glenridge family to participate in the upcoming Arts programs when they become available. Look for more details as the Glenridge campus slowly opens up to allow these programs to occur within our community.