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Members of The Heinz Endowments' two boards pay close attention to a homework tutoring session in a cramped, basement computer lab as part of a tour detailing a \$6.2 million expansion of Sarah Heinz House on Pittsburgh's North Side.

Administrators of the youth development center founded by Heinz Foods Co. patriarch Henry J. Heinz told board members that the long-awaited project will allow staff to deliver better social and recreational programs to students in surroundings that fit the times.

The brick and marble building at Chestnut Street and Route 28 will have a gymnasium, a swimming pool, a fitness center and studios for dance and martial arts classes. There also will be renovation to provide for an expanded computer lab and cafeteria.

Planning for the expansion began three years ago with a \$3 million Heinz Endowments grant that launched a fundraising effort directed at other regional foundations and corporations. Since its 1915 dedication, more than 100,000 children have been served by its programs, 80 percent from low-to-middle-income city neighborhoods.

Board members and Endowments staff touring the center include, from left, Barbara Robinson, Mallory Walker, Shirley Malcom, Howard Heinz Endowment Chairman Teresa Heinz and Vira I. Heinz Endowment Chairman James Walton.

## SARAH HEINZ HOUSE EXPANSION



**Board Member Awarded National Sciences Medal**

Dr. Shirley Malcom, an internationally known leader in science and technology education, and a member of the Howard Heinz Endowment Board, has been selected by the National Academy of Sciences to receive its prestigious Public Welfare Medal.

Malcom, who heads the Directorate for Education and Human Resources Programs of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, has been a leader, for more than 30 years, in developing innovative ways to improve the teaching of science and technology. She also has been an international activist for extending science learning opportunities to minorities and others under-represented in the sciences.

“She has served science with extraordinary vision and scope, originality and achievement,” Academy Home Secretary R. Stephen Berry said in announcing the award. “With each young mind that experiences the value of science through science education, there is a new chance that the world will have the next Pasteur, Salk or Einstein,” said Berry, who also chairs the selection committee. “Dr. Malcom has helped bring science to millions of students who otherwise might not have had the opportunity.

Malcom, who holds seven honorary degrees and serves on several boards, has been advising Endowments staff on strategies for expanding economic and educational opportunities for minorities in southwestern Pennsylvania.

**ENDOWMENTS PROMOTES TWO**

A key member of the Arts & Culture Program staff and the director of planning and communications are working in new positions after being promoted in January.

Grant Oliphant, who has been in charge of strategic planning and communications for the Endowments since 1999, now assumes expanded duties as associate director. His new responsibilities involve assisting Endowments President Maxwell King with initiatives in program evaluation, organizational learning and personnel development. “Grant has provided us with important leadership in these areas already,” said King, “and we look forward to the added value he will bring as a senior member of our management team.”



Kerry Spindler, an associate in the Arts & Culture Program since 2000, has been promoted to program officer, in recognition of her strong management of the Endowments’ Small Arts Initiative and Creative Heights Program. She also assists Program Director Janet Sarbaugh in general arts programming evaluation.

“Her superb planning skills and keen understanding of the creative and cultural issues facing our region more than qualify her for this new role,” said Sarbaugh. Spindler first joined the Endowments as a program fellow in 1997.

**Information Analyst Joins Endowments**

Wayne Jones, an information analyst and consultant to Allegheny County government and the Virginia Legislature, has joined the Endowments staff as an associate in the Children, Youth & Families Program.

Jones will assist Program Director Marge Petruska by developing information systems, reviewing policy research and analyzing statistics collected from grantees.

An MBA graduate of Yale University, Jones, 32, worked for Great Lakes Behavioral Research as a consultant to Allegheny County’s Department of Human Services

before joining the Endowments. Before that, he conducted management reviews of state agencies for a commission of the Virginia State Legislature.

“For the last several years, the Endowments has been moving toward a much more concentrated process of evaluating the impact of our grantmaking, and Wayne’s skills are going to bring incredible value to our efforts,” said Petruska.

In addition to his information compiling and analysis work, Jones will manage a small grants portfolio and coordinate the Endowments’ summer youth internship program.