

Clay County Arts League
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Dear Mayor of Ashland and City Council,

As you know, the Clay County Arts League offers many events for the children and families of Clay County. A few of our main events would be Arts Camp, Summer Sizzle and Winter Nights. Sadly, a majority of people do not know who the Arts League is, or even what we do. We want to change that.

We would love the opportunity to have an office front in the new building that the City of Ashland is purchasing. With this office, we would be able to serve the community so much easier. Currently we meet at the Wynn Building, member's homes or restaurants, whatever is available to us at the time. We are not able to set up our computer, files or printer in a permanent place.

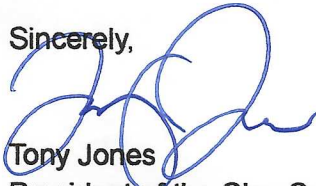
With having an office, we would be able to allow potential members, partons and volunteers to come into a space that we have made home and explain the ins and outs of the Arts League and what we bring to our small towns. We would have a place to drop off dues, registrations for Arts Camp, hold meetings and work on our event planning.

There is so much more that we want to offer the cities of Ashland and Lineville, but in order to do so, we must grow our committee. We have new faces that are ready to take on the responsibility of new events and making current events even better. We will be hosting a Member/Patron Drive after the first of the year in order to add people to our roster. We believe that having a permanent office space would help solidify our "realness" in the community. We want our residents to know that we are here, we are growing and we have so much to offer and that they can be a part of that growth.

Throughout the year, we could use our windows to feature local artists, advertise events and add to the holiday spirit of our small town Christmas.

We ask that you consider allowing the Clay County Arts League to have a home office in the city of Ashland. It would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Tony Jones
President of the Clay County Arts League