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### Upscale Treasure Sale

The KHS Dance Team is hosting an Upscale Treasure Sale, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 6, in the Kings High School Café. There will be name brand items from clothes, electrical, household items, furniture and much, much more!

#### Stop—Shop—Win!

Secret treasure attached to select items!

The café is located at the main entrance of the high school, which is the left side of the building.

For questions or directions, please contact us at

[kingsdanceteam@gmail.com](mailto:kingsdanceteam@gmail.com) or visit our Web site [www.kingsdanceteam.com](http://www.kingsdanceteam.com).

### Upcoming Events

**March 5:** The SLE Annual Spring Bingo Knight is 5 - 8:30 p.m. There will be prizes, class baskets, raffle prizes, silent auction, art show, snack bar and a spaghetti dinner.

**March 6:** The Kings Closet is open 9-11 a.m. This free store offers gently used men's, women's and children's clothing. There are also school supplies, winter coats and shoes. It is located at the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave. For more information contact Tracy Porcelli at [tporcelli@cinci.rr.com](mailto:tporcelli@cinci.rr.com) or 697-8263.

**March 6:** J.F. Burns Elementary will host its popular Krazy Karnival 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The money raised at this event is sponsored the JFB PTO, which provides enrichment programs, supplies and equipment to the school.

**March 11:** The 4th Annual KHS Student Dodgeball Tournament is in the Kings High School gym. Any KHS student is eligible to play. The cost is \$25 per team. For more information or to register, sign up in the Athletic Office or contact Coach Bonner at [mebonner@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mebonner@cinci.rr.com).

**March 15-26:** The Ohio Graduation Test is this week.

**March 16:** The Kings Board of Education will have its regular meeting 6:30 p.m. in the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave.

**March 16:** The CES Chorus Concert is 7 p.m. at Columbia Elementary.

**March 18:** The KHS/KJH Night of Knights is 6 p.m. throughout the high school.

**March 19:** The 4th Annual Spring Sports Spectacular is 7:30 p.m. in the Kings High School gym.

**March 20:** At 10 a.m., students from throughout the district will star in the Physical Education Expo in the Kings Junior High gym. This show features performances from the Awesome 8, cultural dances, unicyclists, hula-hoopers, and much more. Even the district administration and board members participate in this show. You won't want to miss it!



The Kings Firecrackers jump rope team recently won the Golden Steagle award. They were voted the No. 1 half time show in the nation for 2009 by [www.gameops.com](http://www.gameops.com).

On April 2 the girls will perform at the NCAA Men's Final Four Basketball Tournament in Indianapolis! Congratulations girls!

## KHS Students Link Education to Future Lifestyles with Real Money, Real World Project

As adults, each of us works hard to make our monthly income cover the necessities and still have a little left over at the end of the month. Wouldn't it be great if we could have had a "trial run" at adult spending decisions while we were still young and able to choose our future career?

That's the idea behind Real Money, Real World, a program developed by The Ohio State University Extension and coordinated locally by the Success for School Age Youth committee of the Warren County Family and Children First Council. This program allows middle and high school students to get a taste of adult life.

On March 19 more than 300 students at Kings High School will get to experience first-hand how expenses for necessities, as well as luxuries, must be balanced with the reality of monthly income. Students will be given an occupation, marital status, monthly income, credit card debt, and even a child or two. "Real Money, Real World helps youth realize that their career choice, the education required for a career, and potential lifestyle are related," said Steve Brady, Warren County 4-H Youth Educator.



Trey Hinch is pictured at last year's Real Money, Real World Event.

Here's how Real Money, Real World works: School officials and the local program coordinator invite community business representatives and volunteers to set up booths at the school. The booths provide various services such as banking, groceries, transportation, child care, and utilities. Students are offered career choices based on their educational aspirations. With their monthly "paychecks" in hand, students are required to visit each store to purchase goods and services. Those who spend wisely may have money left over at the end of the month; students who make lower salaries or make expensive purchases barely break even, or may even go bankrupt. For those who can't make ends meet, there's a Financial Advice booth where advice and options are offered.

It's all just make-believe, but it carries a serious message. "A lot of teens have big ideas about buying a fancy car or a big house, but they really can't afford it," said Linda Slone, project coordinator. "Going through Real Money, Real World and seeing for themselves how expensive life can be makes a big impact with the students."

Real Money, Real World is planned to simulate real life as closely as possible. Students select or are assigned a random career, marital status, and number of children. They quickly learn how child care is one of their biggest expenses. They also must visit the "chance" booth where "life" deals them something unexpected. It could be good, like winning free groceries or bad, such as having to buy new tires for the car.

Students may choose from a long career list that includes electrical engineer, government administrator, construction worker, aircraft mechanic, cook, custodian, and veterinarian. "The idea is not to tell them which careers are best," said Slone, "but to teach youth that they need to plan ahead.

A minimum wage job may sound like a lot of money to someone who is 16, but we want them to ask themselves if minimum wage will meet their needs when they are 30." The popularity of Real Money, Real World is growing in Warren County.

Lead partners of the project include the Warren County Family and Children First Council and the Area Progress Council. For more information, please contact KHS teacher Rob Robison at [rrobison@kingslocal.net](mailto:rrobison@kingslocal.net) or Steve Brady [brady.111@osu.edu](mailto:brady.111@osu.edu).

### Kings Café

Kings Café will be open all evening featuring a catered pulled-pork sandwich dinner for \$6 (includes sandwich, chips, dessert and drink). If you would like to buy this dinner, please send a card with your name, phone number, number of dinners requested, and payment to:  
Trish McLennan, 1190 Marion Ave., Maineville, Ohio 45039.  
Call 774-7851 with any questions.

The Kings High School PTO proudly invites you to

### A Night of Knights

6 p.m. Thursday, March 18  
Kings High School—A celebration of the Fine Arts Programs offered at Kings High School and Kings Junior High

#### Featuring:

Student Artwork Displays  
Short films by the Digital Media Arts Academy

#### Admission:

Students/Senior Citizens—\$1  
Adults—\$2  
Family—\$5



### Performances By:

Kings Orchestras  
KHS & KJH Theatre Groups  
KHS & KJH Jazz Bands  
KHS & KJH Dance Teams  
KJH 8th Grade Concert Band  
KHS Drumline  
KHS Symphonic & Concert Bands  
KHS & KJH Winter Guards  
Kings Firecrackers  
Kings Choral Department  
Kings Kokorodza Marimba Ensemble and many Small Group Ensembles & Soloists

## Important Foreign Language Information of Prospective 8th Graders

### What are my scheduling options for foreign language in the 8th grade?

**Spanish:** High School Spanish I (see recommendation process below) or Exploratory Spanish (2nd Year) \*continuation of 7th grade Spanish.

**French:** High School French I (see recommendation process below) or Exploratory French (2nd year) \*continuation of 7th grade French.

### What is Spanish/French I?

Simply put, Spanish/French I are high school classes that are offered at the junior high. These classes are taught at an accelerated/honors level and the curriculum is the same as that which is taught at the high school. Students have class every day for the entire school year, as opposed to a total of half a year in the 7th grade. The benefits of taking Spanish/French I at the junior high level are:

- Enrollment in Spanish/French II as a high school freshman (assuming all requirements are met).
- Opportunity to continue onto Spanish/French V Advanced Placement as a senior, with the possibility of earning college credit (designed for the highly motivated student).
- The acquisition of one high school credit.

### How do I get recommended for Spanish/French I?

There is a recommendation process involved in taking the high school Spanish/French I classes at the junior high due to limited class space. Therefore, in order to be fair, the following qualifications determine whether or not a student will be recommended:

- 97% (or better) average for the first 3 quarters of 7th grade (this excludes non-academic bonus points, test corrections, etc.). If a performance deteriorates in the 4th quarter, the recommendation will be withdrawn.
- Consistency in turning in homework and projects on time.
- High amount of class participation.
- Top notch behavior.

From year to year, this has proven to be a very competitive process for students and an extremely difficult decision for teachers. Thus, students must fulfill the requirements above to be recommended.

### Notes:

- There is a maximum cap of 75 Spanish/25 French students recommended (determined by the students with the highest averages).
- If there are not 75/25 students that meet the requirements above, teachers will use their discretion to add extra students based on special circumstances (for example, a native speaker, a move-in from another district, a student who is out for an extended period with an illness, etc.)

Please contact your child's Spanish or French teacher with any further questions regarding this process:

- Aaron Bunker at 398-8050 ext. 12019 or [abunker@kingslocal.net](mailto:abunker@kingslocal.net).
- Franny More at 398-8050 ext. 12055 or [fmore@kingslocal.net](mailto:fmore@kingslocal.net).

### KJH Scheduling for Next Year

It is already time to begin scheduling students for next year. There are a series of parent and student meeting set up to explain the process and to answer questions. We hope this will make the scheduling process easier to understand. Please refer to the information below about meeting times and dates.

**March 10:** Mrs. Cabral and Mrs. Vandegrift will meet with 6th graders at CES to explain 7th grade scheduling. That afternoon they will meet with 7th graders at KJH to explain 8th grade scheduling.

**March 10:** Parent Meetings in the KJH Multipurpose room to answer questions about the scheduling process.

**Parents of 7th graders are asked to attend 6:30-7 p.m. (next year's 8th graders).**

**Parents of 6th graders are asked to attend 7:15-8 p.m. (Next year's 7th graders).**

## Laws of Motion

What's made from ply wood, a plastic tarp, a shop vac and LOTS of duct tape? A Hovercraft! On Friday, Feb. 26, the students in Susan Seitz's science class at Kings Junior High experienced the thrill of riding on a homemade hovercraft.

"I never expected the thing to work," said Haley Clutter. She was one of the first students to ride on the hovercraft. "It was scary when the pushed me," she said pointing to a group of boys. "It was fun, but scary."

Students took turns sitting on the hovercraft, getting pushed around the room by classmates. All the while Mrs. Seitz was shouting science questions at the class, asking about friction and Newton's Laws of Motion.

Amina Ismail really enjoyed her turn on the hovercraft. "It was amazing," she said. "I've never experienced something like that before."

Mrs. Seitz had copies of blue prints for students to take home, if they wanted to make their own hovercraft. It works really well on snow. But, Mrs. Seitz warned the class not to use an electric supply if they were going to build an outdoor hovercraft, instead she recommends using a gas powered leaf blower.



## Jump Rope Clinic

Presented by the Kings Firecrackers Jump Rope Team

Do you enjoy jumping rope? Would you like to learn some amazing tricks with the rope? Then please join us at the upcoming Firecracker jump rope clinics!

The clinics are open to all 2nd-5th grade Kings students and are hosted by Coach Lynn Kelley and the Kings Firecrackers Jump Rope Team.

Check out the Kings Firecrackers Web site at [www.kingsfirecrackers.com](http://www.kingsfirecrackers.com).

**DATES:** Wednesday, March 10 and Wednesday, April 14

**TIME:** Check-in is 4:15 p.m. The Clinic is 4:30-5:45 p.m.

**PLACE:** South Lebanon Elementary School Gym

**WEAR:** Gym clothes (shorts) and tennis shoes

**BRING:** Water bottle, completed permission slip, & a jump rope

**COST:** \$15 per clinic; Jump Ropes cost \$7

**SIGN UP:** To save your spot and/or to pre-order a rope, please call or e-mail Elizabeth Parish at 314-9162 or [eparish333@gmail.com](mailto:eparish333@gmail.com).

The Firecrackers will perform their show at 5:45 p.m.

Parents are welcome to come and see the show. We hope to see you there!

\*if you don't have a rope, you may buy an official Firecracker jump rope for \$7. Pre-paid rope orders will be handed out at the 4:15 check-in.

### KINGS FIRECRACKERS JUMP ROPE CLINICS

at South Lebanon Elementary

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to attend the Kings Firecrackers jump rope clinic(s).

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

# of students attending the March 10 clinic \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of students attending the April 14 clinic \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of jump ropes pre-ordered \_\_\_\_\_ x 7 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Due = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(please make checks payable to: Kings Firecrackers)

## Spring Spectacular

### SAVE THE DATE

Come and show your support for your school and all spring athletes  
7:30 p.m. Friday, March 19

*Performances by The Cheerleading Squad and The Dance Team*

Hosted by the Fabulous Mr. Tilton

Fun Games & Prizes; Chance to Win iPod Touch!!

**Great Door Prizes: Showcase tickets, Gift Cards, DVD movie packages!**

**MEET THE SENIOR ATHLETES—SPLIT THE POT!**

### Dodgeball Tournament

Mary Ellen Bonner  
Kings HS Varsity Softball Coach  
[mebonner@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mebonner@cinci.rr.com)



### ORDER FORM FOR T-SHIRTS

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL Adult XXL

Cost of Tshirt is \$10. Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the order form & return to your teacher, school front office or mail to:

KABC: 8027 Spyglass Lane, Maineville, OH 45039

**PURCHASING A T-SHIRT WILL GIVE YOU A FREE ENTRY TO THE  
SPRING SPECTACULAR!!!!**



### Knights Basketball Stars Inspire SLE Students to Read More

The students in Skye Bogard's first grade class couldn't stop laughing as Jermard Lewis, KHS Basketball player, read "Green Eggs and Ham."

On Friday, Feb. 26, the Kings High School Basketball teams visited South Lebanon Elementary to read to the classes. Every year, the teams read to the classes at SLE in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, which is March 2. This year, the boys read "Green Eggs and Ham" to commemorate its 60th anniversary.

Every student in Mrs. Bogard's class wore paper Dr. Seuss hats. Earlier in the day they prepared and ate green eggs and ham. Teammates Zach Brashear and Jonny Brewster read with Jermard.

On Friday, Feb. 26, performers from Poetry Alive visited South Lebanon Elementary. Their show, "it's Time," explains how to take poetry from paper to performance. Pictured are Kirsten Marshall, Alaina O'Day, Kaitlyn Knific, and Sydney Rhodes.



## Knight To Remember - Save the Date, April 17



Start watching the mail next week for your invitation to the seventh annual Kings Knight To Remember Gala. The date is Saturday, April 17. Put together your tables of 10 people and get ready to have fun and help Kings' junior and senior high athletics. We're planning incredible live auction packages and the donations for the silent auction are rolling in. Live music from Soul Pocket will get you on the dance floor. This promises to be a spectacular evening and we want to make sure you're there. When you send in your response card, don't miss the special Dazzle Raffle opportunity.

We are accepting donations and sponsorships until March 26. Please contact Gina Hakes at 314-4654 or [ghakes@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ghakes@cinci.rr.com); or Kim Ketterer at 604-3748 or [kimketterer@cinci.rr.com](mailto:kimketterer@cinci.rr.com).

Find us on Facebook—Search for Kings Athletic Booster Club.

### All About Animals

What sounds does a rooster make in Liberia? Kokolioko, of course. On Thursday, Feb. 25, Kings Mills Elementary first graders presented their music program with songs all about animals. Songs included "I Can't Spell Hippopotamus" and "All the Pretty Little Horses." At the end of the program, all the students sang "Forever." Music Teacher Matt Jenkins dedicated this song to Dana Strunk.



### The Children's Theatre of Mason Presents:

#### "Cinderella"

March 12-14  
Mason High School Theatre

For ticket information and show times visit:  
[www.childrenstheatrefofmason.com](http://www.childrenstheatrefofmason.com).



12 Kings students will appear in this production: Abby Lebowitz, Lauren Abernathy, Sam Mullen, Zach Middleton, Shelby Hilderbrant, Taylor Reece, Hunter Doebereiner, Krista Morford, Ashley Mustard, Ryan Dilts, Morgan Reece and Caroline Mott! Kings Parent Dirk Doebereiner is directing.

### Gummi Osmosis

KJH Team 7-2 explored the wonders of osmosis in Ms. DeBow's science class last week. To further their understanding of how amphibians obtain water through their skin, students placed Gummi Bears in distilled water overnight. They were delighted to find their Gummi Bears had swelled to four times their original size!

Their delight quickly turned to amazement as students realized the larger Gummi Bears were not the same sweet treat they remembered from the day before. The students enjoyed exploring the principles of osmosis through a tasty treat!



Faith O'Leary and Emma Edens are pictured with their Gummi Bears.



Jenna Ludlow From the Kings High School Art Club tries her hand at making glass beads. On Monday, March 1, Mary Krag from the Loveland Art Studios on Main showed the art club the glass bead making process.

### WCCC Offers Free Safety Program for Families

The Warren County Career Center in Lebanon is partnering with the Red Cross to present a free program for the community on all hazards disaster preparedness. The program is 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in the WCCC Media Center.

Representatives from the Red Cross and WCCC Fire Science and Public Safety programs invite the public to attend and learn how to prepare for the tornado and flood season, and also know more about safety during an earthquake. Qualified homeowners may sign up to have free smoke detectors installed in their homes by local fire departments or the local Red Cross. Children will receive a free safety coloring book. For more information, call 513-932-5677 or visit [www.mywccc.org](http://www.mywccc.org).



The KJH 8th Grade Boys "B" Basketball Team had an outstanding year, finishing 11-3 overall and champions of the post season tournament at Kings. Pictured are: Matt Sosnowski, Manager Zak Bennett, Chad Lance, Bryan Boone, Coach Moore, Ted Dorsa, Adam Hunt, Chris Crabtree, Blake Hill, Josh Baronti, and Justin Byrd. Not pictured: Ryan Maguire.

### Prom Ticket Sales

#### Special Senior Only Day:

March 26 (only)—\$65 per person

#### Early Bird Ticket Sales:

March 29-April 1—\$64 per person

#### Regular Ticket Sales:

April 12-16—\$70 per person

#### Last Chance Ticket Sales:

April 19 (only)—\$75 per person

Prom forms can be found on the Knight Times Newspaper at [www.kingshighschool.net](http://www.kingshighschool.net).



### Senior Prom Surprise

Junior Prom committee members are planning a couple of surprises at prom for the seniors. They are requesting that each senior submit **two individual photos** of themselves.

One should be from Kindergarten or 1st Grade and the other should be a senior photo. **These photos will be scanned and returned to the seniors.** Photos can be turned into Mrs. Con-tratto (room 243) or to Mrs. Shields (room 142).

### Help Save the Dying Art of Photography

Through DonorsChoose.org, KHS Art Teacher Carrie Cooke is trying to raise money for classroom supplies. Visit [www.DonorsChoose.org/donors/proposal.html?id=345343](http://www.DonorsChoose.org/donors/proposal.html?id=345343) for more information. (If you have trouble with the link, please copy and paste the url into your internet browser).

**Now through March 8, all donations will be matched dollar for dollar.**

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# Kings Baseball "Spring Training"

**Date:** Saturday, March 6

**Time:** 9-11 a.m. (Grades 3-5); 12-2 p.m. (Grades 6-8)

**Where:** KEC Activity Center

**Cost:** \$30

*Our baseball program will offer a one day clinic teaching the proper techniques and fundamentals of baseball. We encourage all young players to come and learn the "Kings Baseball" way. This is a fun camp where each player will receive instruction and learn drills to develop them into a better player. They will also receive a Kings Baseball t-shirt.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size: (circle one) Youth S M L XL

Adult S M L XL XXL

*\*Make checks payable to Kings Baseball and mail to Kings Athletics, c/o "Spring Training" 5500 Columbia Road, PO Box 913, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034*

## Dayton Dragons to Host South Lebanon Elementary Day

The Dayton Dragons baseball team will host "South Lebanon Elementary Day" at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 6, at Fifth-Third Field. Tickets are \$7. A section will be reserved for SLE students and families. SLE students will have their picture taken on the field before the game, be eligible to participate in the between-innings skits and games, and get autographs from players! SLE will even be recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence on the scoreboard! Order forms were recently sent home in the Friday Flyer. Please return the order forms by Thursday, April 1.

## Kings Music Association Spring Flower Sale

What goes well with mulch purchased from the Kings football program? Spring flowers of course! The annual spring flower sale conducted by Kings band students will be March 5-26, with flowers delivered in late April, just in time for Mother's Day!



Greenfield Plant Farm in Maineville will once again provide a wide variety of beautiful flowers and plants and some new things this year. Contact any band student or check out [www.kingsmusicassociation.org](http://www.kingsmusicassociation.org) for more information.

## JFB/CES Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale

Forms for the JFB/CES Dance Recital Flower and Candy Sale Forms may be handed into office until Friday, March 5. Forms are available in the school office. Please make checks payable to KAPP. Your flowers or bags will be available for pick up at the high school prior to the dress rehearsal on Friday, March 12, or before the show on Saturday, March 13.

## Donate Your Unwanted Cell Phones

Kings After Prom Party (KAPP) is collecting unwanted cell phones at every school building. Please have your student drop off cell phones (no accessories, please) in the boxes provided at each school. All proceeds directly benefit After Prom.