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KJH Art on Cable

Check out channel 411 on Time Warner Cable for a showcase of Kings Junior High artwork.

Help Save the Dying Art of Photography— Raising Funds for the KHS Photography Class

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 for more information.

Kings To Make Up Calamity Days

Kings Local School District will need to extend its school year to make up calamity days. Due to several winter storms this year the district has used six calamity days and the PM Kindergarten classes have used seven. The state allows districts to have five calamity days before they must be made up. The last day of school for students is Friday, June 4.

Since the PM Kindergarten classes missed an additional day, they will make up that time by going a full day on Wednesday, May 26.

Upcoming Events

May 7: Men's Varsity Lacrosse vs. Seven Hills—Senior Night! The game starts at 7 p.m. at Kings Stadium. Please come out and support our Men's Lacrosse!

May 12: The KLSD 6-12 Grade Orchestra will have its final concert of the year, 7 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium. The program will last approximately one hour and is free! Come hear us, it will be a great program.

May 13: KHS Spring Band Concert, 7 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.

May 15: The Kings Kloset is open 9-11 a.m. This free store offers gently used men's, women's and children's clothing. It is located at the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave. For more information contact Tracy Porcelli at tporcelli@cinci.rr.com or 697-8263.

May 15: Kings SAY Soccer Fall Registration—In person registration is 9 a.m. to noon at the front picnic shelter in Landen Park. Register online now at www.kingsoccer.org.

May 17: The Kings Fourth Grade District Chorus Concert—featuring fourth graders from JFB, KME and SLE is 7:30 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.

May 18: Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave.

May 18: The KHS Choir will have its final concert of the year at 6 p.m. in the KHS auditorium. *Please note that the date was listed incorrectly in the student planners.*

May 24: The Kings High School Academic Signing is at 5:30 p.m. followed by the KHS Academic Awards at 7 p.m.

May 26: CES Band Concert, 7 p.m. in the gym.

Thank you!

Voters in the Kings School District overwhelmingly supported an operating levy – 57 percent in favor. The passage of this levy will help us avoid an operating deficit and difficult cuts. We will also be able to implement all-day Kindergarten starting next school year.

The 6.9 mill operating levy will raise \$4.8 million a year, which will be used for the district's day-to-day operations. Prior to putting this levy on the ballot, the district implemented nearly \$2 million in cost saving measures. Later this month the district will announce another \$1 million in cuts.

Thanks to your continued support, Kings will remain an EXCELLENT school district, providing students with a quality education and extra curricular programs. There really is NO PLACE LIKE KINGS!





Kings Choirs Score High Honors at OMEA State Contest

Congratulations to the Kings High School choirs! The singers at Kings High have had a very exciting spring! Both the Chamber Choir and the Girls' Chamber Choir received Superior (I) ratings at OMEA State Contest on Friday, April 30, at Lakota East High School. This is the highest possible honor that can be awarded to an ensemble, and can only be attempted once the ensemble has achieved a Superior at District (in March).

The Chamber Choir was also invited to visit Wright State University for a Choral Residency that allowed them the opportunity to sing with and learn from their students, educators and conductors. They also were selected to participate in Channel WCET's yearly production of "Cincinnati High Notes." This episode will be called "Why We Sing" and will feature Chamber Choir members performing both on their own and along with all other chosen choirs in a combined finale that was recorded at Music Hall under the direction of May Festival Children's Chorus director James Bagwell. The production will air sometime in June (date and time TBA).

All Kings High School choirs will join together in concert on Tuesday, May 18, at 6 p.m. for their final performance of the school year, beginning with the much anticipated Senior Celebration and ending with combined choirs singing Old Irish Blessing. Please join us for this free event as we send everyone off in song!

The Kings Chamber Choir is: Madison Bauer, Carly Gritton, Abby Liebowitz, Megan Margheim, Ashley Mustard, Jenna Stires, Shannen Watson, Emilie Creutzinger, Hanna Firstenberger, Shelby Hilderbrand, Meriel Jenkins, Lauren Kean, Rachel Krallman, Barbie McFerron, Matt Broyles, Shaun Carney, Andrew Davis, Hunter Doebereiner, Mikal Evans, Alex Goldsmith, Josh Mayersky, Zach Middleton, Erik Schauf, Daniel Grober, Hunter Lang, Daniel Moster, Sam Mullan, Alex Rohe, Brock Sims and Alex Tuchfarber.

The Kings Girls' Chamber Choir is: Cicily Bowling, Hannah Deatherage, Emily Haddix, Hailey Lambert, Christina Neel, Megan Neftzer, Gretchen Snyder, Lauren Abernathy, Kayla Baysore, Kiya Fix, Shannon Hart, Heather Healy, Briana Lundquist, Sami Slusher, Sam Williams, Maria Ballesteros, Melanie Baumann, Rachel Bennett, Joy Fannin, Shelley Harper, Sally Heuker, Taylor Mattox, Kenzie Moffett and Miranda Onnen.

Kings Represented at National BPA Competition

Kings will be well represented at the Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, Calif. this week! Austin Bruemmer, Matt Koerbel, Bennet Moss, Grant Leung, Matt Walton and Josh Langenbach will "Shoot for Success" as they compete in the BPA conference.

They will compete against more than 5,000 other conference delegates from across the nation, competing in national level business skills competitions, workshops, general sessions, and the national officer candidate campaigns and elections. Besides having the opportunity to excel, they will experience the Anaheim area as they visit exciting sites.

The conference will be the culmination of a school year's worth of business skills education and training which members of the local chapter of Business Professionals of America at Kings have received. Business Professionals of America is a national organization for high school, college, and middle school students preparing for careers in business and information technology. The organization's activities and programs complement classroom instruction by giving students practical experience through application of the skills learned at school. Business Professionals of America acts as a cohesive agent in the nationwide networking of education and business and industry.

You can watch the BPA Grand Award Session Live at <http://www.thinkcybis.com/bpa-live/>.



Kings Earns National Recognition for Building Design

The Kings School District is pleased to announce that it's newly renovated High School received national recognition for outstanding design from the National School Board Association.

The National School Board Association (NSBA) is a not-for-profit Federation of state associations of school boards across the United States. The NSBA Annual Conference & Exposition is the largest national gathering of elected school officials in the United States and took place in Chicago, IL on April 10-12. The Conference offers opportunities to learn what is happening in public education throughout the country.

A jury consisting of members from the NSBA and the American Institute of Architects (AIA) made selections of outstanding school designs to be showcased at the NSBA Annual Conference and Exposition. This juried exhibition included school designs that were uniquely adapted to the educational program with specific attention to site development, community use, flexibility, technology and organization of instructional areas.

The expansion and remodeling of Kings High School created a new secure entrance and office area, science and technology wing addition and a central commons/concourse that provides access to the media center, auditorium, gym, cafeteria and guidance offices. The design also updated the exterior to look like a new school.

The project was designed by VSWC Architects, a local architecture firm in Mason, Ohio that specializes in the design of schools and public buildings. VSWC has designed award-winning buildings for other schools districts including Mason, Lebanon, Loveland, Milford, Blanchester and Cincinnati Public Schools.



Students in Christina Shepherd's and Ann Stephenson's classes at KME celebrated Cinco De Mayo in style! They made piñatas, learned some Spanish, sampled traditional Mexican cuisine and even did a Mexican Hat Dance! Pictured are: Emilee Carlin, Josh Hamilton, Blake Vilga and Cameron McElwee.



Students in Terry Kash's physical education class at JFB celebrated Cinco De Mayo with dancing. Students did a Mexican Hat

Dance, and even did a line dance with homemade maracas.



Congratulations to Brandon Lalli who was awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship and Katie Paddock who was awarded a \$1,200 college scholarship for their outstanding artwork from the Artist Reaching Classroom program. Their work was on display at the Pendleton Art Center along with work from other AP Digital Media students.



Daylight Prom

The afternoon was magical and brilliant, everything a prom should be! On Friday, April 30, students in Angela Zlatic's class at KHS attended a Special Needs Prom at Lebanon. The theme was Masquerade Mardi Gras.

"It was everything a typical prom would have been and more," Ms. Zlatic said. After students got all gussied up in fancy dresses and suits they were whisked away to their prom.

Pictured are: Liz Bucalo, Jim Freson, Brett Ziegenbusch, Margaret Griffin, Jenn Hoffman, Erin Sullivan, Angela Zlatic, Lauren Freson, Barbie Carlson, Tyler Pierce and Jacquie Pierce.



Tech Prep Showcase

Congratulations to all the students participating at the Sinclair Tech Prep Showcase.

In the IT Computer Hardware competition, the team of Aric Gady, Matt Walton, Ryan Sharp, and Taylor Sharp won 1st place with a Superior rating. After their presentation, all four of these students were offered an internship at LexisNexis.

In the Digital Design competition, the team of Sam Kreps, Brandon Lalli, Sebo Wedig, and Nick Reubel won 1st place with a Superior rating.

The team of Grant Leung, Brandon Burns, Kyle Etter, and Alex McMahan won 3rd place with an Excellent rating. The team of Josh Beard and Bennett Moss won 5th place with an Excellent rating.

ATTENTION ALL FUTURE 7th AND 8th GRADE BOYS AND GIRLS

Kings Junior High will once again have boys and girls soccer teams for the fall of 2010!

If you are interested, please e-mail the appropriate coach below with the following information:

1. Your Name
2. Your Contact Information (including phone and email)
3. Your Soccer Experience (no experience is needed!!)

There will be an Informational Meeting on Thursday, May 13, at 7 p.m. in the KJH Multi-Purpose Room.

Boys should contact Junior High Coach Doug Moon:
dmoon@franklynusa.com

Girls should contact Junior High Coach Crystal Roman:
speedy3941@yahoo.com



Kings' Basketball Player Signs to Play College Ball

Kings' Spencer Berlekamp will continue his basketball career at Thomas Moore College in Crestview Hills, Kent. Spencer is pictured with his parents Scott and Karen Berlekamp, and head basketball coach Mike Stevens.

Senior Yard Signs

It won't be long until we see the annual Senior Yard Signs popping up in the yards of graduating King's seniors!! If you are able to help with the printing of the student's names on these signs, and/or distributing them, please call Diane Westaway at her office at 774-9777, or cell 543-3371 or you may e-mail her at westaway@fuse.net. The assembly of signs is 5 p.m. May 13 in the high school cafeteria. Pick up of your signs will be between 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thank you for supporting Kings After Prom.



The 3rd Annual Speed and Strength season has come to close. Fifty Junior High student-athletes worked extremely hard at learning the proper techniques of lifting free weights, using hammer strength machines, and learning how to improve their running techniques over the 14 session period. The athletes and coaches enjoyed a cookout at their last session combined with an opportunity to play some of their favorite Physical Education games. Speed and Strength Coach Andy Olds said, "It was really great to see such a wide cross section of athletes from different sports genuinely interested in learning the proper way to become faster and stronger."

**YOU can be part of an award-winning team!
Join the amazing...**

Kings High School Color Guard

Open to ALL students grades 9 thru 12!

No previous experience is necessary!

Even a senior can be a 'newbie'!

Express yourself through dancing...

...or tossing a flag...

...or spinning a sabre...

...or catching a rifle!

Be a major part of the visual effect of the Marching Band...

...make new friends...

...go places!

Still not sure if color guard is your thing? Here's your chance to find out:



Two days of "**open clinic**" that you may attend with absolutely no obligation to join...

When: May 10 & 11 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Where: Kings High School Gymnasium

What to bring: yourself in some comfortable clothing

Why: just to see if you might like being in color guard!

Then, if you find that you like it and want to join:

There will be 2 "**try out**" days...

When: May 24 & 25 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Where: Kings High School Gymnasium

Why: to find out where you best fit in the guard!



Remember: ABSOLUTELY NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY TO JOIN COLOR GUARD!!

Any questions? Email the color guard director at: jmaegly@kingslocal.net

KHS Fastpitch Cornhole Tournament

Makes plans to participate in the first Kings High School Fastpitch Cornhole Tournament Sunday, May 16 at the KHS softball field.!

The first place team will win \$100 in gift cards, second place will receive \$50 in gift cards and third place will receive \$20 in gift cards (prizes based on a minimum of 20 teams).

To signup, please e-mail kims-murd@aol.com.

Please let us know both people on your team. You have until 6 p.m. May 15th to signup! Please arrive around 1 p.m. on May 16 to register and pay your fee of \$20 per team.



Knights of the Round Table

'Knights of the Round Table' are students who are responsible, courteous, respectful, truthful, and who show initiative. Each month teachers at CES nominate students for this honor. We are proud to announce the 'Knights of the Round Table' for April are: Katie Busemeyer, Nathan Darkins, Tori Easley, Andrew Ellis, Alexandria Fliegel, Zach Goodpaster, Davis Jenkins, Mike Kaper, Alison, Kindl, Jack Lemmel, Jonah Martin, Tyler Mitchell, Emma O'Brien, Rachel Oldham, Avery Roe, R.J. Wynn, and Ben Yeaste. Congratulations to these students.

Senior Class Picnic—Parents, We Need Your Help!

We are starting to plan the final event for the Kings High School graduating class of 2010. The Senior Class Picnic will be 1 p.m. Friday, May 28, at Landen Park—rain or shine.

Here's how you can help

1. Send in \$20 *if you haven't done so already: We are in need of additional donations to make the picnic a success. The menu will be planned depending on donations. So far, money and gift cards from many of our 288 senior families have helped cover the cost of the three very well attended breakfasts held throughout the year. **Thank you!!!** Donations in any amount are always welcome. *Please make checks payable and mail to: Carol Delgado, 7819 Strawberry Hill Lane, Maineville, Ohio 45039.

2. Volunteer: Volunteers will be needed to help prepare, set-up, serve and clean up on the day of the picnic. The volunteer responses have been great and we will find a place for you if you are interested in helping out.

Name _____

Cell Phone _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Please check the times that you are available on Friday, May 28:

set-up (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) _____ serve and clean up (1-3 p.m.) _____

Sincerely,
Your Senior Breakfast Coordinators
Carol Delgado, 398-4805 cdelgado@cinci.rr.com
Andrea Biedenbarn, 677-2172
Heather Wooley, 398-2758

2010 Kings High School Football Camp

June 4-6

6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Total cost for each camper is \$60. This fee is non refundable. Early registration is encouraged. Make checks payable to Kings Football.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ School: _____

Grade (Next Year): _____ Age: _____ Adult T-shirt Size (circle) S M L XL

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Age Level: This camp will be for those students entering grades K through 8th.

Camp Coaching Staff: Members of the Kings High School Football Staff along with current Kings High School upperclassmen will coach.

Location: Kings High School Football Stadium.

Please return this registration form to: Attn. Kings Football; Kings High School, 5500 Columbia Road, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

The undersigned further agree(s) and understand(s) that my/our son participates in the Kings Football Camp at his own risk, and that the undersigned my/our son's behalf and my/our behalf, assume full responsibility for any injury, loss, or damages incurred in connection with said Kings High School Football camp. The undersigned also agree(s) to forever release, discharge, and covenant to hold harmless the School, it's Trustees, teachers, employees, agents and any other parent or volunteer who participates as a chaperone or other assistant in connection with the Kings High School Football Camp, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors, or assigns, from any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, loss of services, actions and causes of action belonging to the undersigned or the Student that in anyway and at anytime arise out of the Student's participation in the Kings High School Football Camp.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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I Like School

"I like school. School likes me. School is where I want to be," the South Lebanon Elementary first graders sang during their musical performance "I Like School" on Thursday, April 29. Also performing a few songs were the SLE fourth graders.

Cooperative for Education Needs Your Help

Kings High School and the Conversational Spanish V class are raising money in order to sponsor a Cooperative for Education (CoEd) workstation.

CoEd is a non-profit organization based in Cincinnati that works to bring textbooks to students in Guatemala. In Feb. 2009 Jorge Gonzalez, KHS Spanish teacher, traveled to Guatemala on a trip with CoEd.

If you would like to make a donation to help KHS sponsor a workstation please send monetary donations to Karin Gonzalez at Kings High School: 5500 Columbia Road, PO Box 913, Kings Mills, Ohio 45034.



How Good Are Your Senses?

Could you identify oregano by smell? Could you do it while eating a mint? The students in Lisa King's Psychology class at KHS found out on Friday, April 30, during a Sensory Deprivation Experiment.

Through a set of five experiments, students deprived each sense to experience what it's like to be blind, deaf, and more.

Mrs. King said the experiments were designed to teach students about their senses: the important role our sense play in everyday activities and what it would be like if one of those senses was suddenly taken away. Brandon Culp and Steve Michalka are pictured smelling spices during the smell deprivation experiment.