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Kings Kloset

The Kings Kloset is open 9-11 a.m. this Saturday.

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 or 697-8263.

Permanent Improvement Levy—Renewal

Kings Local Schools has a Permanent Improvement Renewal Levy on the Nov. 2 ballot.

This levy has been renewed every five years since 1990. The money raised from this levy helps the district pay for building maintenance, technology and much more.

This is not a new levy. Taxes will not increase if this levy passes.

If you have any questions about the PI Levy please contact Superintendent Dr. Valerie Browning at 398-8050 ext. 92 or Treasurer Mike Mower at ext. 94.

Voter Registration

Don't forget to register to vote or update your voter information! You can find more information about voter registration at

<http://www.co.warren.oh.us/bdelec/index.asp>

Kings Kicks off National Bullying Prevention Awareness Week with Anti-Bullying Lecture Series—Oct. 6

The week of October 4-8 is National Bullying Prevention Awareness Week. As a part of the district initiative to be proactive in preventing bullying, the Kings Local School District will kick off its new Anti-Bullying Lecture Series. This series will consist of speakers with different areas of expertise who will be visiting Kings and providing various presentations to groups of staff, students, and parents. While some of the presentations do focus on different issues, all of the evening Lecture Series events are open to parents of all students grades K-12.

The first Anti-Bullying Lecture night will take place 7 p.m. **Wednesday, Oct. 6, in the Junior High Community Room.** Speakers for that evening will be Scott Male and Matthew Nolan from the Warren County Prosecutor's Office. Officer Male has been an investigator at the Prosecutor's Office for 20 years and was promoted to Chief Investigator in 2006. Mr. Nolan has been a Civil Assistant Prosecutor for the past two years. Their presentation, developed in conjunction with Warren County Prosecutor Rachel Hutzel, is entitled "Staying Safe on the Internet" and touches on issues of internet safety and cyberbullying. They presented to all Kings staff members on September 22 and will be returning to speak to students in grades 7-12.

The second speaker in the series will be Jim Bisinius, a presenter for the organization 'Bully-Proofing Youth.' Mr. Bisinius has 16 years of experience as a child and adolescent therapist specializing in teaching targeted youth how to handle bullying situations. He has developed techniques that have been nationally recognized and he has presented to more than 450 schools nationwide. He will share these techniques with all Kings staff members during a professional development meeting on Jan. 26, 2011 and then will provide an evening presentation that night at 7 p.m. in the Kings Junior High Community Room that is directed at both students and parents.

The third speaker who will be visiting Kings is Dr. Dan Florell, a professor of psychology at Eastern Kentucky University. Mr. Florell is a nationally recognized speaker in the field of child and adolescent development. Like the other guests, he will be presenting to all Kings staff members March 9, 2011 and will speak to parents at 7 p.m. in the Junior High Community Room about how natural human development fosters a high risk of cyberbullying and other related issues.

The final speaker of the series will be Jim and Elsa Croucher from Citizens Against Domestic Violence. The Crouchers have been nationally recognized for their work in spreading awareness about dating violence, domestic violence and other related issues. After losing their daughter in a domestic violence incident, they began their work in making a difference in helping others recognize and prevent such issues. They will speak to Kings High School students on April 11 as a kick-off for Prom Week and will return that evening at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium to speak to parents about how they can recognize potentially dangerous situations and help their children navigate the risks of dating.

Count Week

Next week, Oct. 4-8, is count week for districts all across Ohio. This means the state will be tracking attendance in order to set school funding. The per student funding distributed by the state is based on count week and student attendance. This money helps the district provide essential services for students. That's why it is so important for students to be in school next week.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 2: Kings Kloset is open this Saturday 9-11 a.m. at the Kings Education Center, 1797 King Ave.

Oct. 4-7: Ohio Achievement Assessment, 3rd grade.

Oct. 6: Anti-Bullying Forum featuring Warren County Chief Investigator Scott Male and Assistant Prosecutor Matthew Nolan, 7 p.m. in the KJH Community Room. See article for more information.

Oct. 12: Kings High School Fall Choir Concert, 7 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.

Oct. 16: Columbia Elementary Spooktacular, 6:30 p.m. at CES.

Oct. 18: KHS Senior Class Meeting, 8:30 a.m. The KHS administration will discuss graduation expectations and ordering information. Parents are invited to attend this meeting to learn more about graduation.

Oct. 19: Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Kings Education Center.

Volley for the Cure

Help us PACK the stand with PINK on Saturday, Oct. 2 for the Volley for the Cure game!

The Kings Lady Knights Volleyball Teams will host Turpin High School at 10 a.m. (junior varsity) and 11 a.m. (varsity). All donations will go to the Susan. G. Komen Foundation to help find a cure for cancer.



Kings Anti-Bullying Committee Strives For Safer, Friendlier Schools

Around one year ago this week, a team of administrators from each building gathered together to analyze data related to all Kings Schools and bullying. As a result of those meetings, the Kings Anti-Bullying Committee was formed with dual goals of studying what is currently being done within all schools in the district and developing a game plan to enhance those activities. The initial goal of the committee was to take a four-tiered approach to anti-bullying, striving to provide support and information to students, staff, parents, and district administrators. In May, these plans were presented to the Board of Education, and the committee continues to meet in order to enhance programming in all of these areas.

Next week is recognized as National Bullying Prevention week, providing a timely introduction to one of the team's major initiatives, the establishment of a Parent Lecture Series with issues related to bullying. On Wednesday Oct. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Kings Junior High Community Room, representatives from the Warren County Prosecutor's Office will provide the 1st installation of this series with a presentation entitled "Staying Safe on the Internet." There will be three additional Parent Lecture Series presentations with more to be added in the future. Other accomplishments of the committee to date include the following:

- Revision of the district policy on Hazing, Harassment, and Bullying which is now included in all student handbooks grades K-12.
- Streamlining of discipline model in all K-4 buildings and in 5-12 buildings (consequences vary by grade levels but the overall model is consistent).
- Training and legal update to administrators by school legal counsel Bill Deters with regard to Hazing, Harassment, Bullying and other related issues.
- Development of Anti-Bullying Webpage accessible from district website and all buildings' home pages.
- Link to online discipline reporting system so that parents or students can report incidents to school personnel.
- Informational packet to all staff members about requirements for documentation, investigation, and parental communication of all reported incidents.
- Presentation to all staff members by Warren County Prosecutor's Office regarding internet safety and cyberbullying with other staff training presentations to follow.
- Establishment of Freshmen Transition Camp and continued embedding of conflict resolution skills and other anti-bullying education into 9th grade curriculum.
- Positive behavior and anti-bullying programs in all grade levels K-8 and continued analysis and enhancement of student educational programming at all grade levels related to these issues.

While the committee feels that progress has been made, it is their goal to continue working to make all Kings Schools a friendly and comfortable learning environment for all students. For more information, please view the Kings Anti-Bullying link on the homepage and if necessary, please use the 'Stay Safe, Speak Up' Link to report any incidents.



Kings Staff Race For the Cure

Kings Cares! On Saturday, Sept. 25 58 Kings Staff Members met downtown to participate in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure 5k. Together the Kings Cares team raised \$1,380 for the Komen Foundation!

Secondary Curriculum Specialist helped organize the event. She said "It was truly an amazing, inspirational morning, walking with thousands of people to BEAT cancer!" Mrs. Socol is a 20-year survivor of cancer.

Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run Results

Congratulations to everyone who came out and ran the 15th Annual Kings Homecoming 5K and Mile Fun Run won Wednesday, Sept. 29.

The results are posted on the district web site in Announcements or by clicking the following link:

<http://www.kingslocal.net/sites/kings/Documents/5KResults.pdf>

Blood Drive

The first Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive of the year is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 25. The Hoxworth Blood Mobile will be in the Kings High School north parking lot, just outside the main entrance.

Time slots are every 15 minutes from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30-4 p.m. Please e-mail Jorge Gonzalez at jgonzalez@kingslocal.net or call ext 11029 for schedule an appointment.

<http://www.hoxworth.org/default.html>



Traveling Pep Rally

The Kings High School Pep Band and Senior athletes ramped up excitement for fall sports with a Traveling Pep Rally Thursday, Sept. 30. They got gymnasiums full of elementary students jumping and shouting as the band played the school fight song and football players taught the younger students cheers. The Traveling Pep Rally went to South Lebanon Elementary, J.F. Burns Elementary, Columbia Elementary and Kings Mills Elementary.



Kings High School wants to recognize its alumni who have served or are serving in the military. Please send a photo and a little information about the individual to:

Rick Krepps
Kings High School
P.O. Box 913
5500 Columbia Road
Kings Mills, Ohio 45034

We would like the following information with each photo:

- Name
 - Branch of Military
 - Years of Military Service
 - Year of Graduation from KHS
- *Photos are nonreturnable.

Thanks to all those who have served.



Spooktacular

"Double, double toil and trouble; / Fire burn, and cauldron bubble. / Fillet of fenny snake, / In the cauldron boil and bake; / Eye of newt, and toe of frog, / Wool of bat, and tongue of dog, / Adder's fork, and blind-worm's sting, / Lizard's leg, and owl's wing, - / For a charm of powerful trouble, / like a hell-broth boil and bubble," (Shakespeare, Macbeth 4.1, 10-19).

There may not be three weird sisters (witches) at Columbia Elementary School's Spooktacular from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, but there will be a lot of fun games, yummy food and a spooky Haunted Trail.

Make plans now to join CES for a night of family fun and festivities. There will be a plenty of Halloween themed games with prizes, face painting and much more.

Admission to Spooktacular is free, but tickets are required for the games and activities. Tickets will be sold at the door two for \$1. All proceeds go to the Columbia Elementary PTO, which pay for future educational programs at CES.

Questions? Contact Katy Super at katy_super@hotmail.com.

Volunteers

High School and junior high volunteers are still needed for the Haunted Trail, games and concessions. We also need set-up, clean-up help. If you are artistically talented, please sign up to be a photographer or face painter. Students can receive Community Service Hours for their help. Contact Katie Goodpaster at htpd4o@yahoo.com.



Making Art From Clay

The students in Jan Thomann's 8th grade art class are learning the fine art of sculpting with clay. So far students have created clay whistles that work and a pinch pot or sculpture.

Ammar Zevick, Annie Morgenroth and Dakota Adams are pictured with their clay creations.

Finally, students were asked to create clay coil pots. Bekah Burwick, Rachel Garritano, Gina Grosso, Brianne Gray and Jessie Huneck are pictured with their coil pots. Mrs. Thomann said the students are encouraged to make something they can use.



Internet Safety For Parents Class at WCCC

Fall special interest classes begin soon at the Warren County Career Center. "Internet Safety for Parents" is a three-session course on searching, filtering and monitoring tools, safe online behavior, cyberbullying, and parental control tools and strategies. The classes begin Oct. 4 and run for three consecutive Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuition is \$75, and the course is taught by WCCC Information Technology instructor Reggie Holtrey, who teaches the Kings High School satellite program.

For more information or to register, call WCCC Adult Education at 513-932-8145.

Senior Picture Submission Guidelines

Due Dates: The last day to submit your senior picture, with no exceptions, is **November 15**. No pictures after that date will be accepted and your Lifetouch school portrait will be featured in the yearbook instead. All pictures are to be submitted in one of three ways. The easiest way is to upload the digital image to our account at classscene.com using the password (**khsknights**). Secondly, an e-mail with the picture attached with senior picture-(your name) as the subject can be sent to kshields@kingslocal.net or finally a CD with the image on it can be submitted to Mrs. Shields' mailbox in the office.

Digital Guidelines: We will accept digital files that have a 300 ppi resolution and are at least 2.5"x3.5" in size. Please use the following protocol when naming your file: Lastname_Firstname.jpg so we can place the image files into the correct spots.

Guidelines to follow when choosing your photo: All school dress code rules apply (no strapless tops or dresses). Photo should be a portrait, which is generally shoulders and above. Hands are allowed but must not be distracting. No hats or props and you must be sitting or standing. We reserve the right to decline any image that does not comply with the outlined regulations.

SEASONAL FLU VACCINATIONS

Recommended and Available
for Individuals 6 Months of Age and Older

Saturday, October 2nd - Walk In Clinic

Lebanon Raceway/Warren County Fairgrounds

665 North Broadway, Lebanon

9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Charge will be \$15.00

The health department will bill Ohio Medicaid, Care Source, AmeriGroup, Molina, Buckeye Community Health Plan and Medicare Part B, please bring your card with you.

For more information call 513-695-1228



Oil and Water

So, just how difficult is it to clean oil off animals caught in a catastrophic oil spill? The sixth grade students at Columbia Elementary School recently found out when Amy Pond of the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District stopped by for a special lesson.

Students were given one feather that was placed in a few drops of vegetable oil. Then, they attempted to clean the feather with a variety of cleaning products. Cleaning just one feather was challenging, and it looked very different after the whole process because of the effects from the cleaning agents. Imagine cleaning thousands of animals! Students learned it is quite a task.

Pictured are: Evan Ertl Murray and Ere Watson.



Piece of the Pie. FUNDRAISING EVENT

Kings High School Chorus Fundraiser

October 5, 12, 19, 26 2010



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Raising money for Kings High School Chorus.

**October 5, 12, 19, 26 2010
From Open to Close**

We will donate 20% of the proceeds back to the

Kings High School Chorus

Flyer must be presented to server, cashier or driver.

We love to help the neighborhoods we serve!

Kings Bandyz

The Kings High School Choral Department is pleased to announce the arrival of Kings Bandyz!

Our very own collection of custom bandyz, the newest and coolest way to show your Knights Pride! Packages of 10 bandyz are \$5 and are available to purchase at the remaining 2010 home football games and in the KHS Bookstore.



Mike's Express Car Wash Coupon Sale

As winter approaches it's the perfect time for the Kings Marching Band's annual Mike's Express Car Wash sale. Express Wash coupons sell for \$8 (same price as at the site) and Kings Band will receive nearly 50 percent of that cost. These coupons make great stocking stuffers and gifts, and the holidays will be here before you know it. Contact any Kings Marching Band member or Erik & Kelly Freudenberg at erik@fuse.net to purchase. Don't wait – the sale ends October 15!!



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Kings Women's Soccer Presents

Kings Throw Down
Cornhole Tournament

Grab your friends and sign up for the First Annual Kings Throw Down: Cornhole Tournament. You can sign up through a women's soccer player that you know or at football games. If you are a teacher, you may also put the check (Kings Goal Club) \$8 per person and form in Stacy Shull's mailbox at SLE or KHS.



When: October 2, 4-6 p.m. Pool Play/ 6-9 p.m. Bracket Play

Where: KHS Stadium

Who: Junior High Students through adults

Cost: \$10 per person (\$8 for staff or students)

Big Prizes for winning team!

Sign up through a women's soccer player, at lunch, at football games or at women's soccer games.

The Party—"After the Prom"

The Kings After Prom Committee is already busy at work getting ready for The Party "after the prom" in April of 2011.

The After Prom Party provides students with a safe and fun place to spend time with their friends after the formal prom.

This year we are excited to announce the After Prom Party will be held at Kings High School on April 16, 2011. There will be inflatable games, a hypnotist, a casino, carnival games and much more. The seniors will even have a chance to win a \$50 bill!

The After Prom Party is an all night party for any Kings junior or senior regardless if they attend the prom. Students who are underclassman or from other schools may only attend the after prom party if they are a guest of a King's junior or senior.

There will only be a few After Prom Committee meetings this year. The first is 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, in the Senior Lounge.

If you would like to help with one of our fundraisers, help throw The Party "after the prom," or interested in learning more about the After Prom Committee please contact Shannon White at 677-2361 or swhite@cinci.rr.com, or Shawn Rosecrans at 494-2621 or snarkesor61@aol.com.

Kings Students to Star in CTM's Production of Willy Wonka Jr.

The Children's Theatre of Mason will present "Willy Wonka Jr." Oct. 15-17 at Mason High School Community Theatre. For more information please visit www.chidrenstheatremason.com.

CTM will be collecting items for "HUNTERS HOPE" at each show. To help Hunter's Hope with its mission, they are asking audiences to provide non-perishable food items in non-breakable containers, such as peanut butter, pasta or canned goods or personal products such as shampoo, toothpaste and soap.



Pictured are: Krista Morford - KHS, Kira Dobreiner - KJH, Morgan Reece - CES, Caroline Mott - JFB, Hunter Dobreiner - KHS, Grant Abbott - JHS, Ryan Dilts - KJH, Dane Dobreiner - CES. Not pictured are: Lauren Abernathy - KHS and Kaitlyn Meeks - KHS. Co-Director is Kings parent Dirk Dobreiner.