



February 7, 2014



Looking for Distinguished Alumni

Do you know a KHS graduate who has made a significant impact in their communities and professions and serve as exemplary role models for Kings Students? Nominations are being accepted for the Kings Local School's Distinguished Alumni Award. The Distinguished Alumnus has the honor of speaking at the KHS graduation ceremony in May. In order to be considered for this year's Distinguished Alumni Award, the nomination is due by **next Friday, February 14, 2014**. [Click here](#) for the nomination form.



Upcoming Events

February 8—Kings Band/Guard Garage Sale, 8:30-2:00 p.m., J.F. Burns.

February 11—Parent Meeting for KJH/KHS Track and Field, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

February 14-17—No School.

February 18—Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

February 22—KME Extravaganza, 11:00-3:00 p.m., KME.

March 7—SLE Bingo Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m., SLE Cafeteria.

More event information can be found at: <http://www.kingslocal.net/Calendar/Pages/default.aspx>

Kings Athletes Sign Letters of Intent

Eight student-athletes made their official commitments to colleges and universities at the National Signing Day on Thursday, February 6th. This year, 200 seniors participated in sports at Kings High School. A total of 12 of those seniors have made official commitments to continue to play sports at the college level. Four of our student athletes have already participated in their signing event back in November. The national average of student-athletes who go on to play collegiate sports is 7%. Families, coaches, teachers, administrators, and teammates attended the signing event to witness these 8 student athletes sign their letters of intent. Not only were these students great on the field, they were impressive in the classroom. The average GPA of this group is 3.4. Below is the list of athletes, sports and schools they are attending. Congratulations!



Front: Courtney Kelleher, Sydney Zinser, Madelaine Kuhn, and Kristen Sevier.

Back: Jamison Williams, Andrew Lake, Robbie Frye, and Alex Ward.

- Robbie Frye— Soccer- Wittenberg University
- Courtney Kelleher—Soccer - Duquesne
- Madelaine Kuhn—Soccer- Heidelberg University
- Andrew Lake-Cross Country-Wright State University
- Kristen Sevier-Cross Country-Wright State University
- Alex Ward-Football-Tiffin University
- Jamison Williams-Football-Robert Morris University
- Sydney Zinser-Soccer-Belmont University

CIS 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 Columbia Intermediate School nominate students for this honor. We are proud to announce that the "Knights of the Round Table" for January are: Michael Adams, Kersten Cockerham, Kaleigh Cooke, Tyler Crawley, Austin Evans, Abby Ewing, Maleena Ewing, Chris Harper, Azirr Jones, Alexandra Kagy, Jackson Kwasniewski, Lauren Lehr, Clay Lunsford, Tyson Marcum, Elliott Nunns, and Annie Young.



KJH Kicks Off Pasta for Pennies Fundraiser

The Pasta for Pennies Fundraiser kicked-off in a fun way on Friday, January 31st with a visit from Kona Ice. It will run through February 21st. Kona Ice graciously donated 50% of their profits to the campaign which totaled \$454! It was a great way to kick off the fundraiser.

The Pasta for Pennies fundraiser supports the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. In addition to this mini-fundraiser, teachers at KJH will be encouraged to donate \$10 to the campaign in order to wear jeans the week of February 3-7. Students are also being encouraged to take part in this fundraiser by bringing in spare change. The winning team will receive a pizza party on behalf of Student Council! Last year the campaign raised \$3,454.59. This year's goal is to make it over the \$5,000 mark!



SLE 4th Grade Study Greek Mythology

The 4th graders at South Lebanon Elementary studied a unit on Greek Mythology. They read various Greek myths and did research. As a part of the unit, the students in Mrs. Janet Scruby and Mrs. Jennifer Westley's class created Greek bottle buddies. The students chose a Greek character and used a 2 liter bottle to create their bottle buddy. They are on display in the SLE library.

Pictured left to right: Conor Johnson, Dylan Perdue, Ryan Flecker, Mrs. Janet Scruby, Ella DeVage, Sydney Jessee, Chloe Schowalter, Mrs. Jennifer Westley and Wyatt Russell.



BINGO!!!

Mark your calendar for South Lebanon Elementary's 8th annual Spring Bingo Knight fundraiser on Friday, March 7th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. This exciting event is open to the community.

Your family will enjoy amazing bingo prizes, a huge silent auction, raffle baskets, pizza dinner, face painting, kids' candy bingo, and a vast student art exhibit! More details to follow in EBBN.

If you have questions or wish to volunteer at this event, please contact Emily Liu at emmygiggles@msn.com.



Kings Band & Guard Garage Sale

Saturday, February 8, 2014
8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

J.F. Burns Elementary School

Small furniture, Housewares, Clothing, Toys
Collectibles, and Much More!

**We Need Your
Tax Deductible Donations!**

Donations may be dropped off at J. F. Burns
Cafeteria on Friday February 7th beginning at 5p.m.

All donations must be in good working order, please.

**Please Help Support the Efforts of
Our Outstanding Students!**



Outback Steakhouse KJH Staff Member of the Month

Congratulations to Kings Junior High 7th Grade Math teacher, Sharon Brunk on being named the **Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month** for February. Outback recognizes outstanding KJH staff members who demonstrate excellence in and out of the classroom.

Miss Brunk was nominated by co-worker Mike San Marco. In his nomination Mr. San Marco wrote, "Sharon is my team's not-so-secret, secret weapon. She always has my back as a team member." When asked why Miss Brunk deserves the Outback Steakhouse Staff Member of the Month Award, San Marco wrote, "Sharon is the epitome of a professional educator. Very few teachers take their job as seriously as Sharon Brunk."

Miss Brunk will receive a gift certificate to Outback Steakhouse, a prime parking spot, and Kings Knights Award. Congratulations Miss Brunk!

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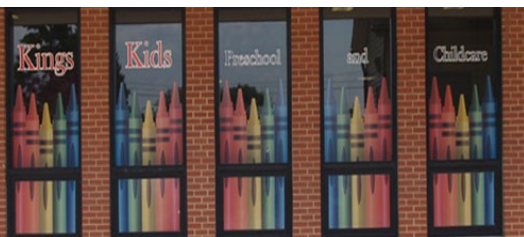
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Polar Plunge for Special Olympics

CIS Intervention Specialist, Denice Rutousky participated in the 2014 Polar Plunge last weekend which is one of the biggest Special Olympics fundraisers. Rutousky,



along with her brother, Scottie, CIS students Cooper Coleman and Sydney Manis, as well as Sydney's cousin Alex Patton, took the plunge into frigid waters. Over 800 people took the Polar Plunge in a giant pool set up outside of Joe's Crab Shack in Bellevue, Kentucky on Saturday which raised \$170,000 to benefit Special Olympic athletes in Ohio and Kentucky. Mrs. Rutousky placed 3rd out of all of the plungers, raising \$1,877. Rutousky and her husband have coached for Special Olympics for many years. The most important reason she says she was "Freezin for a Reason" is because Denice has a brother with Down Syndrome and he's been involved in Special Olympics for 40 years. Because of the the overwhelming support, Scottie my brother decided to join me, he plunged! This was Rutousky's third year of taking the plunge.

KHS/KJH Track and Field

The Outdoor Track and Field On-line Registration is now open. To register your athlete, please go to <http://www.kingsathletics.com> and open the Registration menu. The links will take you through the registration process. There are four team options for Track and Field so please select the correct gender (Boys/Girls) and the correct level (JH is labeled) to avoid having to re-do the process. In addition, be sure to schedule an updated physical now so your athlete can participate on the first day of practice (an OHSAA physical form is required to participate in all sports and remains in effect for one year from the date of your exam).

Important Dates

Tuesday, February 11

Track and Field Parent-Athlete Mandatory Meeting
7:00 p.m.
H.S. Auditorium

Monday, March 3

First Day of Practice

KME EXTRAVAGANZA!!!

Saturday, February 22, 2014
11:00am - 3:00pm

The annual KME Extravaganza will soon be here. It's a day of fun with carnival games, inflatables, face painting, cake walk, balloon art, split the pot raffle, the ever popular basket raffle, and silent auction.

This year, all of the students will have the opportunity to make/design a hand to be hung on the wall by the entrance of KME. They will be designing them in class and be on display during the extravaganza. The project symbolizes that "we are all individuals, but together we can create a wonderful school, Kings Mills Elementary." Volunteers are still needed to make the day a success. For more information about tickets and all of the day's event's [click here](#).

Coach Olds Involved in Pre-Superbowl Activities

Kings Football Coach Andy Olds had the opportunity to enjoy some of the pre-Super Bowl activities in New York City last week. Olds is the National Director of the NFL Play 60 Character Program. The program focuses on the NFL's Play 60 Program where they encourage youths age 9-13 to engage in 60 minutes of activity every day, eat right, and hydrate, but beyond that, teaching children good character traits. The character curriculum was developed 13



years ago by former NFL player Anthony Munoz. Two years ago, Munoz and his son, Michael were contacted by the NFL to develop and implement the Play 60 Character Camp Program. Coach Olds developed the Football and Fitness curriculum for the camps.

While in New York, Olds worked with a group of 200 kids (mainly Hispanic and latino) who were invited to Chelsea Pier to be a part of the NFL Play 60 Character Camp. The goal of the camps is to introduce the game of football, teach the Play 60 philosophy, and model good character traits. The Character Camp curriculum was developed solely by Coach Olds. He said, "Character can be taught. It can be learned and its free."

The program is in its 3rd year. Currently there are 14 Play 60 Character Camps around the country. Olds is hoping for more funding from the NFL to have 32 Character Camps to correspond with the 32 NFL teams. Congratulations Coach Olds!

Pajama Jam!

It's a Pajama Jam with the KHS Dance Team! Girls in grades K-6 are invited to wear their pajama's and have a night of fun with the high school Dance Team. The fun takes place on Saturday, February 22nd from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Kings Junior High School Gym. The evening includes a pizza dinner, dessert, fun dance routines, and games. Wear your pajamas and the dance team will provide the fun! The cost is \$25 and includes a t-shirt if pre-registered by February 18th.

[Click here](#) for the registration form and more information.



Please join us for a Kings Community Meeting

Wednesday, March 5, 2014
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Kings Junior High Multipurpose Room

Superintendent Dr. Valerie Browning and Treasurer
Mr. Mike Mowery will present:

- ♦ The district's current financial situation
- ♦ The district's financial future
- ♦ How the district is working to control costs
- ♦ Update of permanent improvement fund expenditures
- ♦ Safety and security measures

A brief Question and Answer session will immediately
follow the presentation.

Board Members and District Administrators will be in
attendance to help answer questions.

Questions? Call 513.398.8050

Dr. Browning EXT. 92

Mr. Mowery EXT. 94

J.F. Burns Kindergartner's Taking Care of their Feathered Friends

After reading the book *Night Tree* by Eve Bunting during Library time with Mrs. Houston, Mrs. Reitz' kindergarten class made a suet feeder and a cheerios feeder to provide food for the local winter animals that visit J. F. Burns Elementary. The students had been waiting patiently for 2 weeks for the winter weather to break in order to hang their feeders. With no end in sight, they created 'bag boots' from recycled plastic bags and made the trek outside through the swampy grounds. Their shoes remained mud-free!



100 Days!

The students in Room 120, the MD Unit at Kings Mills Elementary, celebrated 100 days of school this week. They counted coins to 100, made a paper chain with 100 links, counted by tens to 100, and multiplied by 10 to 100. They also enjoyed a 100 day snack!



2014 KYO Football Registrations Start Soon

Students in grades 1-6 who are interested in playing KYO Football will have the opportunity to register Wednesday, February 26th or March 11th in the KME Cafeteria from 6:00-7:30 p.m. This year's cost to play is \$185. Bring a completed registration form, updated picture, and a copy of the player's birth certificate (new players only). This year, there is no weight limit for players.

For registration forms and more information about KYO [click here](#).



The Dentist Visits SLE Kindergarten

Dr. Bradd Testerman visited South Lebanon Elementary's kindergarten and first grade students on Tuesday. He presented a program for Dental Health Month. He talked about the importance of our teeth, why and how to take care of our teeth, and what a visit to the dentist office is like.



Circle Tail visits SLE

Circle Tail, a non-profit organization that trains service dogs for the handicapped, has begun a program with Mrs. Peggy Allen's reading groups. The program's focus is to have a therapy dog and their trainer come be a "reading buddy" for the readers in Mrs. Allen's class. The program uses therapy dogs to help kids improve their reading and communication skills and also teaches them to love books and reading. These sorts of programs have been growing around the world since 1999. SLE Principal Randy Willis said, "It is truly a win-win situation for not only our students but for Circle Tail."

The program started this week. Ed, from Circle Tail brought his dog, Bond to "read" with the students. The students loved having Bond to read to. Some of them said that they can't wait for Bond to visit their reading class next Tuesday. For a student who is struggling as a reader, this type of motivator can do wonders to get them excited about reading. It makes them feel special and that is a big deal when school can be hard for some of these students. One of the readers, Layla said, "Reading to a dog is just like reading to my baby sister, except she usually crawls away!!"

Pictured is "Bond" (James Bond) reading with one of the groups.



Remember - For up-to-date information about the Kings Local School District please feel free to "like" us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#)!

OMEA Solo & Ensemble Winners

Congratulations to the following students who participated last weekend at the OMEA District 13 Solo & Ensemble contest. After preparing privately or in before/after school rehearsals for many weeks, all performed before an adjudicator and received one of the top two ratings of either Superior or Excellent. Kudos goes to: Lillian Ashworth, Ben Baker, Stephanie Bennett, Ethan Cain, Luke Danko, Nathan Darkins, Ryan Echols, Nick Froelich, Delaney Galbraith, Declan Hayden, Jillian Hestle, Kieran Jenkins, Jack Johnson, Sam Kasuga, Ben Kessler, Sam Leahy, David Lehn, Stewart LeVan, Isaac Mayersky, Sophia Moriarty, Tyler O'brien, Zach Moffett, Craig Mueller, Peter Murray, Julianna Powers, Evan Pringle, Matthew Rataiczak, Morgan Reece, Parker Rooney, Casey Ryan, Shannon Saluga, Isaac Slavens, Andrew Smith, Scott Smith, Joe Song, Josh Song, Steve Steffel, Emily Swanson, Stephen Taylor, Shannon Thiel, Matt Tracey, Lora Vonderhaar, Matt Wagner, Kyle Ward, Niki Walter, Nick Wright, RJ Wynn, and Trevor Zolotas.



SLE Students Learn About Saving Energy in a Fun Way

The National Theatre for Children brought their newest program, "Showdown at Resource Ranch," to SLE this morning. Two actors from the National Theatre taught the student body to "Open Your Eyes, Be Resource Wise." The program, sponsored by Duke Energy, focuses on natural resources and saving energy. The actors told the students about the importance of saving water by using a water saving shower head, as well as CFL light bulbs. Through this program, every family in the school community can sign up for a FREE Resource Reward kit from Duke Energy. The kits contain several tools to help you save resources and energy at your home. If the school gets 100 sign-ups, they will automatically win \$100 and be entered into a drawing for a \$1000 cash prize. For schools who sign up for 150 & 200 Resource Reward kits, there are two additional drawings for \$1500 and the grand prize of \$2000! Anyone is welcome to sign up for the kit. Visit ResourceReward.org to sign up.



Kings Junior in 2014 TAP MD Class

Congratulations to Kings Junior Grace Reinders who has been selected to participate in the TAP MD program, TAP MD's mission is to seek and find "untapped" talented high school students to increase the number of future Tristate urban and rural physicians. TAP MD is a career exploring program for high school students who have the aptitude and interest in medicine. The TAP MD program is a year-long commitment beginning in January 2014 and ending in December 2014.

Those selected are expected to participate in an activity and/or shadowing experience one time per month. Students must be strong academically (29 ACT and/or 1300 SAT), motivated, mature, dependable and have a positive attitude. Grace was nominated by her KHS Guidance Counselor Ann Delehanty-Koenig. Congratulations on this great achievement, Grace!

CIS Students Collect for the Needy

Columbia Intermediate School's 6th grade boys basketball team recently collected items for the residents of Noel, Missouri. Noel is a town of fewer than 2,000 residents, mostly Hispanics and refugees from parts of Africa, who moved there to work at the Tyson Foods, Inc. chicken processing complex. Poverty looms large there and about 90 percent of Noel school students qualify for free and reduced meals.



This group of 6th grade boys and their families collected over 14 boxes full of donated items. The team took on the project because they heard about the need and felt like they could help. CIS Principal, Shelley Detmer-Bogaert said, "It goes along great with our building theme this year, If Not you, then Who?" Awesome job, boys!

Appointments Still Available for UC Health Mobile Mammography Van at Kings

The UC Health Mobile Diagnostic Van will be in the Kings Local School District to offer screening mammograms to our female associates and community members. Mammography screening takes approximately 10-15 minutes and will be available at our schools. The mammogram van will be at:

Kings Mills Elementary	Tuesday, March 4	12:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Kings Junior High	Wednesday, March 5	6:30 AM – 3:00 PM
Columbia Intermediate	Thursday, March 6	7:00 AM – 11:00 AM
JF Burns Elementary	Thursday, March 6	12:30 PM – 3:30 PM



Please call 585-8266 to schedule an appointment.

Screening mammography is usually a covered benefit with most insurance carriers. Your insurance will be billed directly for the service, therefore please make sure that UC Health is an “in network” provider with your insurance carrier. You will need to bring your insurance card and a photo ID with you on your scheduled appointment day. The results of your examination will be reported directly to you and to the physician you designate and will not be reported to the Kings Local School District or any of its personnel.

Save the Date

April 12, 2014

A Mardi Gras Knight to Remember

Great Wolf Lodge

An evening of dining, dancing and
good times to benefit Kings Athletics.



Let the Good Times Roll!

Stay tuned to EBBN for exciting details.

Project Excellence - Excellence in Teaching Educator Award Nomination



The Project Excellence Committee of the Area Progress Council of Warren County, Inc. seeks to recognize and honor innovative or excellent teachers within the public schools in Warren County. They are asking for your assistance in identifying exceptional educators who demonstrate excellence in instruction, or innovative teachers who have pioneered a teaching method. The educator must hold a current teaching certificate and work for the public school system.

Consideration of your nominee will be based on the information you provide. Completed nominations are due by February 28, 2014. For a copy of the nomination form [click here](#).

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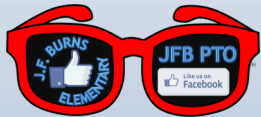
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