



KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 30, 2015



Tonight at KHS the Men's Varsity Basketball Team is in action vs. Withrow at 7:30 p.m. and our own KJH presents "Once on This Island, Jr. in the high school auditorium at 7:00 p.m. We are asking all of those who plan to attend the KJH Musical to park in the Bus Loop in front of KJH as well as the South KJH Parking Lot and enter through the "Old" High School entrance to access the auditorium. Basketball parking will be in the North High School Lot.

This will help with the congestion and admission for both events.

Looking forward to a great evening at KHS!



Upcoming Events

Jan.30-31—KJH Musical "Once on this Island," 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

Feb.7—ACT Testing, 8:00 a.m., KHS.

Feb.13 & 16—NO SCHOOL.

Feb.17—Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conf. Rm. 2.

Feb.28—KJH Mattress Sale, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., KJH Gymnasium.

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



Kings Offers New Mobile App!

According to a study by comScore, nearly 90% of the time adults spend on smartphones is spent using apps. Communication preferences of adults are shaped by news sites, commercial sites, and social media sites which deliver a near constant stream of visual and text communications where incoming messages can be scanned, stored, and acted on.

The Kings Local School District has partnered with School Messenger to bring you our own Mobile App. Stay connected to Kings even when you are on the go! With just a simple touch or swipe you can access the Calendar, Staff Directory, Lunch Menus, our Speak Up Hotline, Social Media, Athletics, and just about anything you would find on our website. Plus, our app is synced to your School Messenger account, so you can receive important alerts and updates from the district right on your mobile phone.

The app is available for iOS and Android users on the App Store and Google Play, respectively. Search "Kings Local School District" in the search box or [click here](#) for iOS and [click here](#) for Android.

We hope you find it easy to use and enjoyable to use!

State Assessments Coming Soon

Our state-mandated testing will begin in the district on February 23rd and will run through March 20th. You should receive a testing schedule from your child's school. These assessments are part of our district curriculum and we use this data to learn about student growth and to help allocate resources to keep Kings as a highly rated district.

Our Curriculum Directors provided information in a community meeting in November. If you missed it and would like to refresh yourself on information regarding assessments [click here](#) to view the presentation.

[Click here](#) to view the assessment schedule. If you have any questions please contact Curriculum Director Matt Freeman at mfreeman@kingslocal.net.

KHS Orchestra Travels to Disney

The 46 KHS Symphony Orchestra members and 4 Kings Staff members traveled to Disney World January 16-21, 2015.

Their first performance was at Disney's Dockside Stage at Downtown Disney. This was a public concert in the heart of Disney. The orchestra members prepared selections for this performance for months!



For their second performance, Kings High School Orchestra members first attended a 2 1/2 hour workshop under the guidance of Mr. Rick, an experienced Disney musician/clinician and college music professor. There they learned how to get the most of their rehearsals and how to execute a pitch-perfect performance, as they honed in on their sight-reading skills. The culmination of this clinic was a recording of the KHS Symphony Orchestra performing the Theme from Beauty and the Beast accompanied by footage from the classic Disney animated film!

The orchestra members were also allowed some free time to explore the parks and all received Mickey Mouse Ears for their performance.

Kings Staff Attend Mental Health Workshop



Representatives from the Warren County Educational Service Center were in the district this week to teach a course called Youth Mental Health First Aid. Warren County ESC is one of three ESC's in Ohio (including Wood and Cuyahoga) that will be part of a major national initiative to support teachers, schools, and communities in recognizing and responding to mental health concerns among youth.

The educational agencies—including school districts in 28 different states and departments of education in 20 states—were awarded Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resilience in Education) grants from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to (among other activities) train teachers, school staff, and other community members in Mental Health First Aid.

Mental Health First Aid is an 8-hour course that teaches people to identify the signs of mental illnesses and addictions, how to provide initial help, and how to connect individuals in crisis with appropriate care. Since 2008, more than 250,000 individuals in the U.S. have completed the Mental Health First Aid course.

Kings' K-12 building Threat Assessment Teams, building administrators, and counselors attended the training. To learn more about the Youth Mental Health First Aid program visit www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org.



UC Health Mobile Mammography Van at Kings

The UC Health Mobile Diagnostic Van will be in the Kings Local School District to offer 3D mammography 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 3	12:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Kings Junior High	Wednesday, March 4	6:30 AM – 3:00 PM
Columbia Intermediate	Thursday, March 5	7:00 AM – 11:00 AM
JF Burns Elementary	Thursday, March 5	12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Please call 585-8266 to schedule an appointment. Press option 1.

Screening mammography is designed for women over 40 with no breast problems, women under 40 with a family history of breast cancer, women who are not pregnant or breast-feeding in the past six months, or women who have not had a screening mammogram in the last 11 months. 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.



Twitter Chat a Success



Last night we held our first Twitter Chat. Thank you to those of you who joined us. If you would like to check out our conversation from last night, search #KLSDchat. Feel free to follow us on Twitter @Kings_Schools. We look forward to having another chat soon! Additionally, welcome J.F. Burns Elementary to Twitter @JFBKnights.

Pictured is Mr. Timothy J. Spinner, Superintendent and Mr. Larry Knapp, Assistant Superintendent.

KJH Mattress Sale

Are you in the market for a new mattress? Kings Junior High is sponsoring their third annual mattress sale on Saturday, February 28. This very successful fundraiser will offer brand new, name brand mattress sets such as Simmons and Restonic, with full manufacturer warranties at 30%-50% off retail. All sizes, price ranges, delivery, and free layaway will be available. The products are much higher quality for the price than a retail store. There will be floor models on display at Kings Junior High from 10:00-5:00 p.m. that day. Orders will be ready for pick-up or delivery within 2 weeks. There will also be sets available for immediate pick-up. Every sale will benefit Kings Junior High.



Extra Savings of \$50 off Mattress Purchase over \$500. For more information about the sale, contact Ultimate Fundraising Solutions at bertharbin@yahoo.com.



Kings Kindergarten Registration Date Set

Kindergarten Registration for the 2015-16 school year is 4:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 9th, at the Kings Junior High School Multipurpose Room, located at 5620 Columbia Road. Your child must turn 5-years old on or before Sept. 30, 2015, in order to register.

Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, the Kings Local School District will offer "Young 5 Kindergarten." This half-day program will allow students to overcome achievement gaps that may occur at young ages; as we blend play based activities to meet the academic and developmental needs. The program will be available for children who will turn 5 between July 1st and September 30th. Children who attend the "Young 5 Kindergarten" program will be required to attend full day Kindergarten the following year. This program is tailored for children that are chronologically young and typically have not had a preschool experience. If parents would like to have their child attend a 1/2 day program and then attend full day kindergarten the following year and the child turns 5 **before** July 1, a 5 year old preschool would be their option.

Packets will be available online at the end of March. For more information [click here](#).

Clogging With Mrs. Allen



South Lebanon Elementary students Morgan McCollister, Brianna Moore, and Hailey Hiller were treated to a clogging lesson from Mrs. Peggy Allen last week. Morgan used her Knights Tickets that she earned and brought two friends with her. Mrs.

Allen said, "They had fun

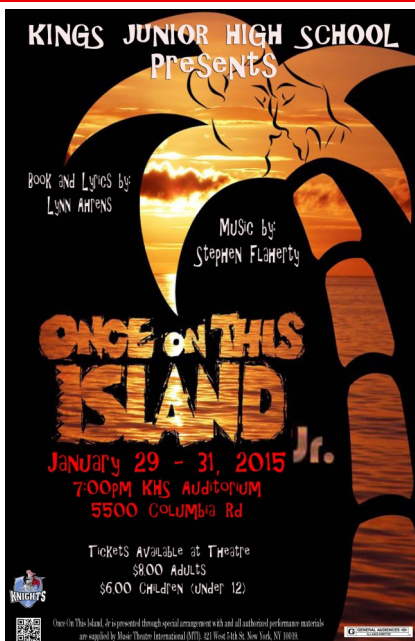
and did a great job!"

E-Club Taking Care of Our Feathered Friends

This week, South Lebanon Elementary's E-Club worked on taking care of our chilly feathered friends and made eco-friendly bird feeders using vegetable oil, birdseed and pine



cones. Club Adviser Juli Elder said, "This is a fun activity we do every year with the kids! We hang some right here around SLE and the kids get to take them home as well."



KJH Musical Once on This Island, Jr.

Kings Junior High will present "Once on This Island" on January 30, and 31st. This is a story about Ti Moune, a peasant girl, who rescues a wealthy boy from the other side of the island, Daniel, with whom she falls in love. Unbeknownst to Ti Moune, the pompous gods who preside over the island make a bet with one another over which is stronger, love or death, the stakes being Ti Moune's life. When she pursues Daniel, who has returned to his people, Ti Moune is shunned because of her lowly status. Her determination and capacity to love, though, is not enough to win Daniel's heart and Ti Moune pays the ultimate price; but the gods turn Ti Moune into a tree that grows so strong and so tall, it breaks the wall that separates the societies and ultimately unites them."

Tickets will be available beginning at 6:00 p.m. on day of show. Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults/students/staff/seniors and \$6.00 under age 12. All shows begin at 7:00 p.m.

Pasta for Pennies - Leukemia and Lymphoma Society



Do you know someone that's been affected by cancer? Have you ever felt like it's impossible to help someone in such a circumstance? By taking part in our school-wide competition, you are sure to help impact lives in a positive way!

Kings Junior High School kicked off their annual Pasta for Pennies competition last week. All donations raised through Tuesday, February 2, will be donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to support cancer research. Although the most important part of this fundraiser is to donate as much as we can, the winning team will also be awarded with a pizza party. New this year is an online donation option. Please consider sharing our school's link via social media, emails, etc. *Checks can be made out to LLS (Leukemia and Lymphoma Society).

To donate to Pasta for Pennies online [click here](#). When donating online, you must designate under "Message to Kings Junior High" what team you'd like your donation to go to. This will allow our Student Council Adviser, Miss Boone, to keep tabs on which team is winning the school-wide competition. Please designate either Mr. San Marco - 8 Red, Mr. Poggi - 8 White, Mr. Allen - 8 Blue, Ms. Bicknell/Warner - 7 Red, Ms. Kaercher - 7 White, or Ms. Strong - 7 Blue.

Kings Band and Guard

Garage & Bake



sale



It's time for the annual Kings Band and Guard Garage & Bake Sale. Plan to come up to J.F. Burns Elementary on Saturday February 14th between 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. to do some garage sale shopping! While there stop by our bake sale for a Valentine's Day treat to share with your family. Everyone loves a good garage sale, especially in the middle of winter!

Kings Band is in need of donations of clothes and household goods to their annual garage sale on February 14th. Here is everyone's chance to do a little early spring cleaning and to get rid of those things you do not want anymore and donate them to a great cause. Everything donated is tax deductible. Plan on dropping off your donations on Friday night February 13th between the hours of 4:30 PM - 9:00 pm. Come to the 4th grade entrance at J.F. Burns to the door marked A-5. We can not accept mattresses or large furniture.

JF Burns 4th Annual Care Package Drive

This year we will send care packages to local service men & women stationed far from home or deployed overseas. Our goal for this year is to send them a "Taste of Home" along with notes of encouragement. Our military service members love receiving letters, cards and pictures from children. These are particularly encouraging to them. This year we are asking for the following items to fill care packages: Skyline & Gold Star items - chili, crackers, hot sauce, etc., LaRosa's items - spaghetti sauce, pizza sauce, salad dressing, Grippo's potato chips (snack size bags), Frisch's items- tarter sauce, Montgomery Inn BBQ sauce, Busken and Graeter's cookies & treats, and Bengals, Reds, UC and Xavier items (hats, flags, bumper stickers, mugs, cups, etc.)

We also need the following: LARGE Ziplock baggies, chap stick, deodorant, hand cream, personal care items, candy, and other treats.

The care package items may be dropped off at JF Burns during school hours. A box will be in the main hallway for drop off during evening activities. Donations will be accepted Monday, February 4, 2015 through February 20th.

If you have questions or a family member that is deployed or stationed far from home, please contact Hope Cantrall via email at hopecantrall@gmail.com.

Questions and Answers From Kings Klostet

Q: How does the Kings Klostet work?

A: The Kings Klostet accepts donations of new and gently-used clothing on the days they are open for shopping. The Klostet is run by volunteers – students and a few parents – so receiving and giving out clothes on the same day makes it easier to manage. The clothes are inspected to make sure they are clean and fairly current with today's styles. Items are sorted by size, gender and season. Current styles are added to the store's inventory asap. Apparel that is off-season is stored until the appropriate time of year. In the late summer, a big drive to collect donations of school supplies takes place; donations can be brought to schedule pick-up at all of the schools.



Q: Who can shop at the Klostet?

A: The clients who shop the store are Kings' students and families who are on a tight budget, with little money to clothe their family. They really appreciate these donations and are thrilled to be able to wear clothes that look like those of their classmates and friends. When the store is open, Kings' families are allowed to select up to ten pieces of clothing for each member of their family. Guidance counselors and teachers also have the option to bring students in to shop at the Klostet at their discretion.

Q: Where is the Klostet?

A: The Kings Klostet is located in the Kings Education Center building, the KEC, at 1797 King Avenue, across from Kings Mills Elementary school.

Q: When is it open?

A: The Klostet is open the first Saturday of February, March, and May from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., and the second Saturday in April (because of Spring Break). That means the next time it's open is NEXT Saturday, February 7th. Keep the Klostet in mind if you have clothes your kids have outgrown, if you know of someone who could benefit from shopping at the Klostet or if you, yourself, want to come. This is Kings at its best: neighbor helping neighbor.

Q: Who can I contact with questions?

A: If you have a question or need to arrange a donation outside of normal hours, you can contact Tracy Porcelli at (513) 383-4197 or Kim Ketterer at (513) 604-3748. For the Kings Klostet schedule for the rest of the year [click here](#).

Last week on January 21st, many in the Kings School District remembered Sammy Reagan on the second anniversary of her passing by wearing Orange, her favorite color. Mrs. Jill Reagan, Sammy's mother said, "I would like to thank all of the schools for wearing orange to celebrate Sammy Reagan's life and remembering her on January 21st. Words cannot express how supportive and thoughtful our community is."

Pictured here is the KME staff wearing their orange.





All About Kings Athletics



Did you know that Kings Athletics has its own website? You can find out schedule information, upcoming events, news about teams, and even get directions to away venues. [Click here](#) to get to the Kings Athletics Webpage.



ECC Champs!

The Lady Knights swim team recently took the ECC Championship at Anderson High School, setting a new conference record in the 200 yd Freestyle relay with a time of 1:43.16 and having their top swimmer, sophomore Megan Sichterman, named ECC Swimmer Of The Year. Sichterman's title is particularly notable because it is based on a vote by all ECC coaches, who cannot vote for their own swimmers.



The swimmers head to their sectional meet at Mason February 13-14, District Meet February 20-21 at Miami University, and State Meet in Canton February 27-28.

"The whole team effort contributed to the ECC Championship," said Assistant Coach Judy Sichterman.

Pictured is the record breaking relay team of Tara Fears, Megan Sichterman, Shannon Jelley, and Corinne Baber.



Kings Girls Softball Registrations are still being accepted online for girls ages 5-15. This is a recreational softball league. Registrations will be accepted through mid-February. Go to <http://www.eteamz.com/kingsyouthbaseball/> to register. For more information contact Steve Galberg at 513-850-4770.

Kings SAY Soccer Registration

Kings SAY Spring Soccer Registration is underway. Registration is open through January 31st for students ages 5-18, including seniors in high school. Go to www.KingsSoccer.org to register today.



Outdoor Track & Field Parent-Athlete Meeting

Any student in grades 7-12 who plans to participate in track and field in the spring should attend a **MANDATORY** meeting on Wednesday, February 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.

For questions contact Coach Lynn Brant at lbrant@kingslocal.net.



Kings Women's Lacrosse 2015 Sign-Ups Grades 7-12

Online registration will continue until January 31st. Sign-ups are now open to any potential player grades 7-12 interested in playing Lacrosse at Kings in 2015. An informational meeting will be held on Thursday, February 5th at 6:15 p.m. in the KJH Cafeteria. Contact Coach Tim Bilbrey at timbilbrey@outlook.com. For registration information [Click here](#).



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Kings Women's High School Basketball Program

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If you are interested in playing Men's Lacrosse this Spring for KHS or KJH and are currently not receiving emails, please contact

Coach Cheek at

Roncheek@hotmail.com.



Kings Lacrosse Club Appreciation Day at Dick's Sporting Goods

Kings Lacrosse is once again working with the Dick's Sporting Goods Community Sports Program. As one of our High School Team Sponsors, The Dick's Sporting Goods Store in Deerfield will be holding "Kings Lacrosse Club Appreciation Day" tomorrow, Saturday January 31st, 2015. Friends and Family of Kings Lacrosse can enjoy a 20% Off Coupon for all "In Store" purchases. This is valid for the ENTIRE Kings Lacrosse Family from the Youth to High School on the Men's and Women's Teams. This coupon will also be available in the store on the day of the event.

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 20th from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Kings 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 13th. [Click here](#) for the registration form and more information.

Kings Competitive Fastpitch U10

Kings will be offering the opportunity to try out for a competitive fastpitch team in the U10 age group. The assessments for this team will be held on the following dates:



Friday, January 30, 2015, 6:00pm-8:00pm at the Kings Activity Center

Saturday, January 31, 2015, 4:00pm-6:00pm at the KEC gym

This team is for anyone interested in playing more competitive teams with structured coaching, and sessions with trainers. Dedication is a must. Practices will be more frequent than with Rec Ball. This team will play in the "A" division during the spring/summer league as well as participate in a couple local tournaments.

Please have players arrive at least 15 minutes before the assessment time and bring bat, helmet, glove, batting gloves, and water bottle. Girls need to have their hair pulled back. Players need to be ready for a workout.

Each parent will need to sign a waiver and complete the registration information before the assessment begins. Coach Bonner can be contacted for questions at mebonner@cinci.rr.com.

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Kings Preschool Registration 2015-2016

It's time to register for Pre-school! The Kings Pre-school & Childcare will be accepting registrations for the 2015-16 school year beginning January 20th. The preschool/childcare program meets in the King Local School District's Kings Education Center (KEC) located in Kings

Mills. Kings Preschool offers both preschool and childcare for 3-5 year olds. Two, three, four & five day classes are available. All programs are licensed by the Ohio Department of Education.

More information may be obtained on the Kings Local School District website at www.kingslocal.net. Click on the "Departments" heading at the top of the page, and then follow the Childcare/Preschool link. [Click here](#) to obtain the registration forms. To schedule a tour or ask questions regarding the program, call Susan Guckert at 398-8050 ext. 10043.



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Problem Relationships Health Concerns/HIV/AIDS

Your Voice Matters!
Call: 1.866.listen2me
or go to our school website to report bullying or safety issues

Don't forget to use the #KINGSSTRONG when you post pictures from Kings events on social media!

There is no significant LEARNING, without significant RELATIONSHIPS.

