



April 1, 2016



Upcoming Events

Apr. 14—May 13—Spring Assessments. Please check with individual buildings for schedule.

Apr. 13— Spring Athletic Signing Day, 1:00 p.m., KHS Gymnasium.

Apr. 16— A Knight to Remember, 6:30-11:30 p.m., Cincinnati Marriott Northeast, Mason.

Apr. 19— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Kings Education Center-Conf. Rm. 2.

Apr. 27— Kings Celebration, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

Apr. 28-30— KHS Musical— The Drowsy Chaperone, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

More event information can be found at: <http://kingslocal.tandemcal.com/index.php>

Happy April Fool's Day!
Did you know that the origin of this day dates back to around the 1500's?



Salva Dut Visits Kings

The Kings District had a special visitor this week. Salva Dut, Founder of Water for South Sudan, Inc., and real-life character in the New York Times bestseller *A Long Walk to Water* by Newbery Award winner Linda Sue Park, visited Columbia Intermediate and Kings Junior High School on Tuesday, March 29th.



CIS won the Iron Giraffe Super Challenge, which means it was the first school in the world to raise at least \$25,000 in the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years. The prize of the Iron Giraffe Super Challenge was a personal visit from Salva Dut!

Mr. Dut spoke to 6th, 7th and 8th graders during the day. He also presented at the Blue Ash-Montgomery Rotary Club Meeting. CIS held a special Community Event Tuesday evening where Mr. Dut presented his story to a full house.

Salva's mission is to bring clean drinking water to the residents of South Sudan. As one of the original "Lost Boys of Sudan," he started the non-profit organization, Water for South Sudan when his father became gravely ill with a water-borne illness.

To date, CIS has raised over \$37,000 to support Water for South Sudan. Lynn Malooley, Executive Director for WFSS explained that they never thought anyone could raise the \$25,000 to win the Iron Giraffe Challenge. She thanked CIS for their commitment to helping bring clean water and changing lives in South Sudan.

CIS and its sixth graders are committed to helping transform lives in South Sudan and will continue to raise money for this cause. A special thanks to Ethicon for helping with fundraising and for providing signs and assistance with our Community Event!

For more information on WFSS visit <http://www.waterforsouthsudan.org/>. A full gallery of pictures from Salva Dut's visit can be found [here](#).

KHS Art Students Create Portraits for Underprivileged Children

Last Spring, our Kings High School AP Drawing Class students became involved in the Memory Project, a nonprofit organization that invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges such as neglect, abuse, loss of parents, and extreme poverty. The students created portraits of the children's original pictures.

Those pictures were sent to the orphanage and recently, Mrs. Guilfoyle received a video from the orphanage that shows the children receiving their portraits from the AP Drawing class. [Click here](#) to view the video.

This semester, as part of the Memory Project, Mrs. Guilfoyle's Painting II/III students created portraits of children living in Bolivia. To go along with the portraits, Mrs. Loudermilk's Spanish III students are writing letters to the children to send with their original painted portraits that will be sent in April.

This class of students will receive a video showing their portraits being given to the orphans, as well.

This is another example of #KingsStrong!



J.F. Burns Spring Art Fair

The J.F. Burns Spring Art Fair was a HUGE success! Over 150 students had their work displayed around the school building. Eleven students' art works were chosen and received Art Achievement Certificates and will have their work displayed in the Kings Education Center during the month of April.

Congratulations to the following students who received the Art Achievement Certificate at this year's Art Fair:

4th Grade: Brynn Bolen, James Von Osdol, and Krisha Callada.

3rd Grade: Landyn Breese, Sumedth Girish, and Annie Foster.

2nd Grade: Savvy Davis and Ananya Shastri.

1st Grade: Ishi Gupta and Avery Faulkner.

Kindergarten: Suhani Satapathy.

Great work students!



2016 Ohio BPA State Leadership Conference Results

Twenty seven Kings High School students participated in the Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference before Spring Break.

Congratulations to the following students who will advance to the National Competition that will be held in Boston in May: Ee Yeoh Wong,

Lauren Goslee, Trevor Bartlett, Brenden Guerin, Logan Gray, Alex Orr, Madison DePaoli, David Lehn, Gage Woods, Morgan FitzGerald, Emily Hoyle, Abbey Ketterer, Mackenzie Mettey, and Corinne Brown.

Good luck at Nationals!



KJH Student Earn Scholastic Honors

Roxanne Annese was honored over Spring Break for her Covered Canister in Kansas City, Missouri. Her work was selected from over 1,349 entries into the 19th Annual National K-12 Ceramic Exhibition. There were only 4 middle school entries selected for the show. Her same piece won a Gold Key in the Scholastic Art Regional competition and a Silver Key at the National level, as well.

Professional ceramic artists from all around the world were present at the NCECA convention in Kansas City and viewed her piece. Her work is also displayed in the poster for the convention and she will receive a cash award from Bailey Pottery. Only 2 schools from Ohio were represented at the show.

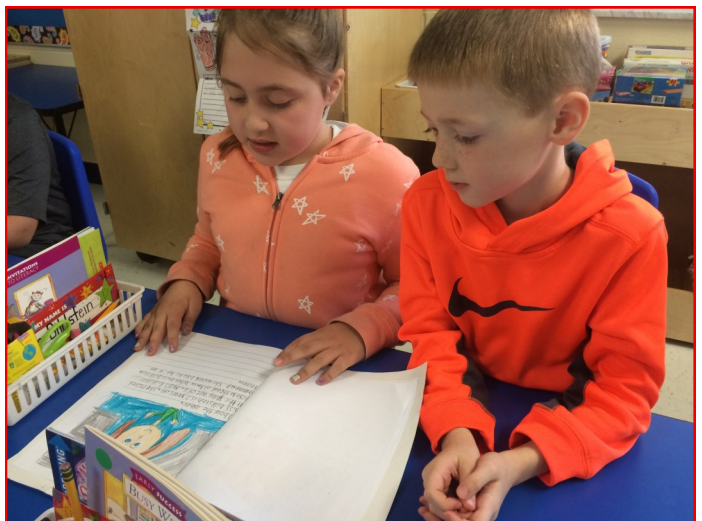
Congratulations Roxie and thanks for putting Kings in the show!



One Grade Learning from Another at KME

Second Graders from Mrs. Bersani's class at Kings Mills Elementary visited Miss Furterer and Miss Cory's Kindergarten classes this week to read their personal narrative books. Miss Furterer said, "The Kindergartners loved it!" KME Kindergartners are now working on their "How To" books for Writer's Workshop and when they finish, they plan on reading to the Second Graders! "Lots of siblings even got to be a part of today," said Furterer.

Pictured are siblings 2nd grader Gwendalyn Bildstein and Kindergartner Jackson Bildstein.





JFB Daisy Troop Adds Bird Feeders to Outdoor Classroom

J.F. Burns Elementary Daisy Girl Scout Troop #49907 hung their beautiful bird houses up in the J.F. Burns Outdoor Classroom recently. The girls built the houses at Home Depot and then decorated and hung them to complete their "Rosie -make the world a better place petal."

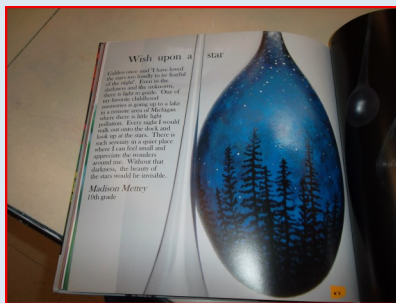
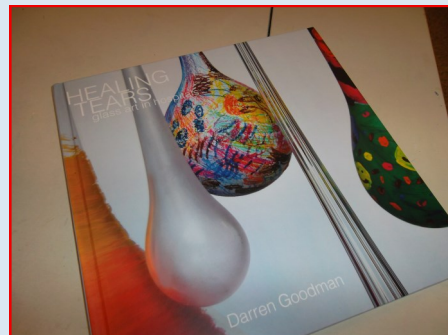
Way to go, girls!

Kings Students Published in New Book

You may remember last spring when we reported about our Kings Art Students painted glass teardrops to be installed at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Local artist and Kings alum, Darren Goodman, brought his project, Healing Tears to Kings High School. His installation project is now being published into a book with featuring many of our Kings art students' painted teardrops!

Healing Tears is a collaborative installation of blown glass sculptures created and donated by Darren and children across our community and nation. For the past several years, Darren has been traveling to schools and museums sharing his "Glass Experience." During his presentation, Darren creates "Tears of Joy," and following the presentation asks children to put their own hand and concept in the work by painting on the glass.

The installation represents many facts, colors, and emotions we all endure in life through tears. To learn more about the project [click here](#).



KJH Competes in the National Vocabulary Bowl

Over 20,000 schools are competing nationwide in this year's Vocabulary Bowl. This competition, in its second year, hosted by Vocabulary.com, is a contest for all students K-12 in the United States and Canada. The nationwide competition is to see which school can master the most words and come out on top of the Vocabulary.com leaderboard.

In the month of February, Kings Junior High received a special mention in the Vocabulary Bowl Top 20 Round Up, a SportsCenter-style broadcast recognizing the schools around the country that have come out on top of the Vocabulary bowl leaderboards. The broadcasters said that this was the best monthly finish for KJH!

[Click here](#) to see the video. Congratulations KJH! Keep up the good work!

Looking for Hosts for Community Conversations

Thank you to our community members who participated in our recent Community Conversations regarding the financial future of Kings Local Schools. We appreciate the time you took to listen and give us your feedback.

We would like to conduct 15-20 more Community Conversations to receive additional feedback from a larger cross-section of our community.

If you would like to host a Community Conversation or know of someone who would be interested sometime between now and the middle of May, please contact Dawn Gould at dgould@kingslocal.net.

Check Out Our New Virtual Backpack

Our school buildings have been inundated with flyer requests to place in the weekly newsletters causing the newsletters to be extremely long. In order to make the newsletters more efficient and building centered, we have added a new feature to our website called the [VIRTUAL BACKPACK](#).

We will now place all of the activity flyers requested from our district organizations and non-profit organizations in our VIRTUAL BACKPACK on our website. You can find our new VIRTUAL BACKPACK on the homepage of our website or under the Resources tab. We hope this will be a great way to find all the events in one place!



Kings Klost Open Tomorrow

The Kings Klost will be open this Saturday, April 2. The Kings Klost is stocked to the brim with Spring and Summer clothes. Come shop and see what's new. If you want to drop off a donation, that's a great time to do that, too.

Our volunteers will be at the Kings Klost, on the second floor of the Kings Education Center from 9:00—11:00 a.m.

Please come see us!



Kings Klost

KHS Senior Competes in Science Expo

Kings High School Senior Grace Palaparty represented Kings High School by presenting her Science research at the Ohio Junior Science and Humanities Symposium and at the University of Cincinnati Science and Engineering Expo. She was awarded a superior rating and qualified for State Science Day at the Ohio Academy of Science on May 14 in Columbus, Ohio. This will be her 5th year participating in the State Science Fair.

Grace was also honored with the UC Vice President of Research and UC IT Young Scientist Award in Medicine and Health. Additionally, she was selected to further compete in the Ohio Buckeye Science and Engineering Fair this weekend at The Ohio State University.

Congratulations and good luck, Grace!



Summer School Registration is now open for KJH & KHS Students

Summer School Registration is now open for original credit in Physical Education, Health, and Personal Finance. These courses are typically taken by students who want to free up their schedule to take other electives and/or AP classes. Credit Recovery is available for a myriad of courses, as well. Registration ends on May 1 for Original Credit courses and May 20 for Credit Recovery classes.

Cost is \$150 for a semester worth of credit. For more information and to register [click here](#). For specific information regarding courses or OGT, please contact your student's counselor.



Buy a Senior Yard Sign



Show your graduate how proud you are of them by purchasing a 2016 KHS Senior Yard Sign. For 15 years, the Kings After Prom Party Committee has sold the signs as a fundraiser to help support the Party After the Prom.

The actual sign is 24x18 and your student's name will be printed on the bottom of each side. Signs are \$10 and will be available to pick up on Thursday, May 5 in the KHS Cafeteria from 6:00-7:00 p.m. All orders are due by Friday, April 15.

[Click here](#) for the order form.

New Immunization Requirements for 7 & 12 Grade

Ohio Senator Cliff Hite introduced and sponsored Senate Bill 121 that would require students in 7th and 12th grade to have the meningitis vaccine. The bill was signed into law by Governor Kasich and will go into effect beginning next school year.

Senator Hite has a personal story that brought this issue to light. He is featured in a video that tells his story. To watch [click here](#) to view the video.

The state will require incoming 7th graders to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine in addition to the requirement of one dose of Tdap vaccine. Please [click here](#) for more information.



Summer Camp Information

Time to start thinking about summer activities for the kiddos! Deerfield Parks and Recreation have posted their Nature Camps and iDaP Academy technology camps for this summer. You can find information for all of these camps at www.DeerfieldRec.com. Additionally, Deerfield Parks and Recreation are looking to hire Day Camp Counselors for the 2016 season. [Click here](#) for more information.

We now have a link on the [resources tab](#) of our website named Summer Camp Information. We will update that page with any summer camps as we become aware.



Kings Track & Field is teaming up with our local Buffalo Wings & Rings to raise money for our team and the charities we are supporting this season, Josh Cares and St. Joseph's Home.

On Monday, April 4th from 6-9 pm, 10% of your food check will be donated to Kings Track & Field. No flyer is needed. Just bring your friends and family, have a great meal, help us support our team and give back to the community!

**Buffalo Wings & Rings
5517 Kings Center Dr.,
Mason, OH 45040**



Help Earn Cash For Your School!

Dear Parents,

Marco's Pizza and Kings Junior High are working together on a fun and exciting program. With your help, we can raise funds for your school. All you have to do is order pizza on Monday, April 4th!!

Marco's Pizza will also be sponsoring a competition to win a

Free Pizza Party

For the classroom with the most orders!

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

- On Monday, April 4th, place your carryout, delivery or dine-in order anytime during normal business hours of operation 11:00am - 10:00pm.
- When placing your order, be sure to mention that your order is to benefit Kings Junior High and give your Monday Homebase teacher name. Marco's will then give back 15% of your order amount to the school! And the Monday Homebase with the most orders will win a FREE PIZZA PARTY catered by Marco's Pizza!
- Don't hesitate to tell your friends, family & neighbors. As long as they mention that they are ordering to benefit Kings Jr. High, their orders will be included as well!

Participating Marco's Location:

Marco's Pizza - Landen
3251 Montgomery Rd (at the intersect. of Columbia Rd.)
513-677-1300

****Receive a FREE CHEEZYBREAD****
With any dine-in order of \$10 or more!

Call us for more details on how we can help!



Delivery orders subject to limitation of the 'delivery area'. Minimum of \$10.00 order for delivery. Feel free to use any Marco's coupons with your order!

Marco's Pizza and Kings Junior High!

Just
Released!



KHS Ranks #2 in Ohio for Best Sports

Niche for Education released their latest rankings for 2016 Best High School Sports. Kings High School ranks #2 out of 468 in Ohio with the best high school sports! The rankings are based on student and parental reviews of athletics, student participation in athletics, and the number of sports offered at the school.

One high school senior left a review stating "All coaches are supportive of their athletes and understand that school work comes first. There is a wide variety of sports available to stu-

dents and JV and Varsity are offered so cuts are generally not made. All athletic facilities are nice and offer athletes with the best resources."


This year's Niche High School Rankings also rank KHS at #13 out of 463 as 2016 High School with the Best Extracurriculars in Ohio and #34 out of 745 2016 Best Public High Schools in Ohio.

#KINGSSTRONG

KINGS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

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DROWSY CHAPERONE



BOOK BY BOB MARTIN AND DON MCKELLAR MUSIC AND LYRICS BY LISA LAMBERT AND GREG MORRISON

APRIL 28, 29 & 30, 2016 AT 7:00

TICKETS: \$10 ADULTS, \$8 STUDENTS & SENIOR CITIZENS

THE DROWSY CHAPERONE IS PRESENTED THROUGH SPECIAL ARRANGMENT WITH AND ALL AUTHORIZED PERFORMANCE MATERIALS ARE SUPPLIED BY MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL, 421 WEST 54TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10019.

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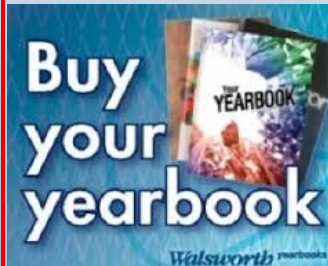


CIS COLOR FUN RUN

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, April 23, 2016

For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Erin Deutsch - erin@springdot.com



Buy your yearbook

Walsworth yearbooks

KHS Yearbook Order Deadline Nearing

The **LAST** day to buy a 2015-2016 Kings High School Yearbook is **Saturday, April 30**. Don't miss out on this award winning publication that will be irreplaceable later! **BUY TODAY** at www.yearbookforever.com.

Learn About the Dangers of Drugs and Drug Abuse

Little Miami Local Schools will be hosting Operation Street Smart on Sunday, April 3 at 3:00 p.m. at the Little Miami High School, 3001 E. U.S. 22-3, Morrow, OH.

This will be an intensive free informational session on the dangers of drugs and drug abuse put on by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office.

This session is open to the public.

Heroin. Marijuana. Meth.

These substances are in the headlines every day.

Learn more about the dangers of drugs and drug abuse at a free informational session.



What: Operation Street Smart
When: Sunday, Apr. 3 at 3 p.m.
Who: Open to the public
Where: Little Miami High School
3001 E. U.S. 22-3, Morrow OH 45152

More information: sheriff.franklincountyohio.gov/programs

Little Miami Local Schools • 7247 Zoar Road, Maineville OH 45039 • www.LittleMiamiSchools.com



KINGS ATHLETICS NEWS



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 access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Check out Knights Weekly [Spring Issue #1](#)



2016 Summer Sports Camps Sign Ups

The Kings Athletics/KABC 2016 Summer Camp Brochure is ready! There are all kinds of camps for boys and girls of all ages such as basketball, baseball, tennis, track and field, wrestling, softball, football, bowling, dance, volleyball, golf, cheer-leading, and lacrosse. The emphasis of Kings' camps will be learning the fundamentals of each sport and having fun. No experience is necessary to attend any of the sports camps. [Click here](#) to view the brochure and register online. For more information contact the Kings Athletic Department at 513-459-2937.

Deadline Approaching for Tickets !!!!

The Kings Athletic Booster Club is presenting "The Good Ole Days" on April 16, 2016 from 6:30-11:30 p.m. at the Cincinnati Marriott Northeast in Mason. Invitations were emailed this week. Back this year is the ever-popular happy hour from 6:30-7:30 p.m. This event supports our Kings Athletic programs and is a great night of fun! Hope to see you on April 16 for KABC's Knight To Remember, "The Good Ole Days!" [Click here](#) to get your tickets! Deadline to get your tickets is **Saturday, April 2!** Get them today!



KJH Lacrosse at OSU

The Kings Junior High School Men's Lacrosse Team had the privilege of playing a mini scrimmage during half time of the OSU vs Notre Dame game last weekend at Ohio Stadium!



KINGS YOUTH VOLLEYBALL

Join our Kings Varsity Volleyball Coach and Kings Volleyball Players for the Spring Training clinics. The clinics are for girls and boys in grades 1-6. They will include team practices, scrimmages, and plyometric training once a week for 6 weeks from on Wednesdays, April 6 –through May 11 from 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at Sports Express (5280 Kings Mills Rd.). The cost for the clinic is \$65. Players are asked to bring knee pads and a water bottle. It's never too early to start training! For the registration form and more information go to www.KingsVolleyball.com.

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