April 28, 2017



Good Luck to our Kings Greenpower Team as they race their electric car at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Monday!



Upcoming Events

Apr. 27 & 28— KHS Theatre Presents, **Pippin**, 7:00 p.m., **Apr. 29**– 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

May 9— Kings Board of Education Work Session, 5:30 p.m., Kings Education Center, Conf. Rm. 2.

May 16— Kings Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Kings Education Center, Conf. Rm. 2.

May 20— KHS Graduation, 11:00 a.m., Cintas Center.

May 26— LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

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

KHS Ranked by U.S. News and World Report

U.S. News & World Report released their <u>Best High Schools</u> <u>Rankings for 2017</u> this week and Kings High School has again been named among the best high schools in the nation! KHS ranked #509 out of more than 22,000 public high schools in the nation, earning a silver



medal and giving them the distinction of being in the top 2% in the country!

This ranking makes Kings High School the number one high school in Warren County and ranks KHS in the top ten among other Greater Cincinnati high schools, as well as #20 in the state of Ohio out of 866 eligible high schools.

U.S. News assesses several factors to come up with the rankings such as enrollment, graduation rates, the results of state assessments and Advanced Placement (AP) exams, and college readiness. KHS has an AP participation rate of 65%.

The rankings and data offer the most comprehensive information available on public high schools in the U.S. To produce the rankings, U.S. News worked with a research organization and their methodology reflects how well high schools serve all of their students, not just those who are planning to go to college.

KHS Principal Doug Leist said, "This recognition solidifies our solid academic reputation and places Kings High School in the top 2% of public high schools in the country for preparing students for college. This is a testament to what happens when teachers, students, and parents work together to provide the best possible education for our students. This staff is amazing K-12!"

Congratulations to our staff and students of Kings High School for their great success!

KHS Architecture Students Help Design Local Business

Kings residents, Mark and Amy Altemeier recently purchased the Train Stop/Monkey Bar along the Little Miami River. They were featured on channel 9 WCPO highlighting their renovation and redesign of the new "Monkey Bar and Grille." The Altemeier's vision is to make the new space more family-friendly and to find ways to connect with the Kings Community.

They were introduced to Kings Art Teacher, Angie Guilfoyle and inquired about using Guilfoyle's architecture students to help design the new space. Isaac Chunn, Hunter Blair, and Clay Spivey were the students selected from Guilfoyle's Architecture class to tackle the real life project. They used their knowledge of Sketchup Pro (a 3D modeling design software) to create a computer model of the new interior and exterior of the Monkey Bar and Grille, as well as the newly expanded outdoor seating area; complete with a stage, cabana bar, and dock for canoes. All three of these students plan on pursuing Architecture or Industrial Design after high school.

Guilfoyle's AP Drawing students have also become involved. Alex Fliegel who will attend DAAP's fashion design program next year, is designing their logo and T shirt graphics. Mikaela Allee, Kate Baxter, Sonya Blizzard, Tiana Onnen, Chloe Byrne, Mady Schowalter, Austin Rowe, Emily Poole, Olivia Doyle, Henry Strosnider, and Kira Burson are all creating original artwork to be hung inside the Bar and Grille.







"The collaboration between Mark and Amy and my students has been great! It's exciting that our own students have had a hand in designing a local space, as well as having their artwork on display for years to come," said Angie Guilfoyle.

In the near future, the students will join the Altemeiers in presenting the computer model and original artwork to Hamilton Township and Channel 9.



Working on Biographies in Second Grade

The second graders in Miss Pagan's class at South Lebanon Elementary have been working on biography presentations. Each student created a Google Slide presentation to share what they learned. They also made a timeline of their person's life, designed a postage stamp, and chose a project to make centered around their chosen person's life.

Students dressed up as characters such as Betsy Ross, Florence Nightengale, Benjamin Franklin, and George Washington.

Theatre Students Perform at Memorial Hall

Select members of Kings High School's *Much Ado About Nothing* cast performed at Memorial Hall on Thursday, April 20 as part of the Cincinnati Shakespeare Company's Project 38.

P38 is a community outreach effort in which each of Shakespeare's 38 plays are represented in some way by tristate schools.





CIS 5th Grade Learn Avionics

5th Grade students on Team Positive at Columbia Intermediate School enjoyed a visit from Stan Tungate, father of Jordan Tungate. Mr. Tungate is an electrical engineer at L-3 Cincinnati Electronics in Mason.

He discussed his work in avionics for the NASA SLS boosters (the next rocket the U.S. is launching into space). He talked about the space station which is located 220 miles away from Earth. He also compared how far the space station really is in respect to the planets and our moon and what it takes for a rocket to

launch into outer space. Mr. Tungate brought in an avionics unit used in rockets so the students could see and touch it. Mrs. Briscoe said, "It was an 'out of this world' presentation!"

JFB Kings Kids Host Carnival

The students who participate in the J.F. Burns Kids Kids Aftercare Program hosted a carnival on Wednesday, April 26. The fourth and fifth grade students planned, created, and ran the carnival for the K-3 grade students.

The carnival was used to teach the character trait of the month; perseverance. The older students made it a goal to host the carnival. They used team work, creativity, and hard work to per-



severe toward their goal. It took the students four weeks of dedicated work to put their plan into place.

In creating the games for the carnival, the students used primarily recyclable trash. Detergent containers became a bouncy ball game, toilet paper tubes and paper cups became ring toss. Reducing, reusing, and recycling was also how the prizes for the carnival were procured. A recent name change for a Cincinnati company meant old promotional items were recycled and used as carnival prizes.

Janel Shephed, Kings Kids Childcare Lead said, "The fourth and fifth graders strive to be role models for the younger students in Kings Kids and they sure did that on Wednesday." She added, "A job well done on a minimal budget, with an earth friendly theme meant a great time and lots of fun for their younger counterparts."

South Lebanon Elementary first grade and fourth grade chorus performed for their family and friends on Thursday, April 28. This year's theme was "The Box: Songs That Celebrate the Imagination." What beautiful voices!





KHS Miami Valley Tech Prep Showcase Winners

Congratulations to the Kings High School team of Calvin Adams, Daniel Corcoran, Alec Freeman, Tate Owens, and Deven Powers who earned 1st Place in Information Technology - Game Development in the Miami Valley Tech Prep Showcase!

Every year, Miami Valley Tech Prep students have an opportunity to compete in the Sinclair Tech Prep Showcase. Students develop contextual learning projects based on the skills and knowledge they have gained in their Tech Prep classes. Teams are judged according to a rubric using the following criteria: Project Research and Development, Authentic Work Based Learning, Academic/Technical Skills, Professional Relationships, and Presentation Skills



The Showcase features projects from 15 Ohio career fields: Agricultural & Environmental Systems, Arts & Communication, Business & Administrative Services, Construction Technologies, Education & Training, Engineering & Science Technologies, Finance, Health Science, Hospitality & Tourism, Human Services, Information Technology, Law & Public Safety, Manufacturing Technologies, Marketing, and Transportation Systems. The Showcase provides students with the opportunity to network with other consortium students and to interact with judges from education, business, industry, and labor.



KHS Theatre Presents Pippin

The Kings High School Theatre had an amazing opening night of Pippin on Thursday, April 27. One audience member who attended the show said, "Simply the best thing I've seen on the KHS stage." The show is based on the original Pippin script which differs from the most recent circus themed version.

There are three more opportunities to see the show; April 28, &

29 at 7:00 p.m. and a 2:00 p.m. matinee on April 29. <u>Tickets</u> are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens. The show is rated PG-13.

CIS Host Local Glassblower

Local artist and glassblower, Darren Goodman has taken up residence as the Artist in Residence at Columbia Intermediate School this week.

Goodman met with each 5th and 6th grade class this week to talk about the art of glassblowing. He demonstrated his techniques with the students and even let some students try their hand at glassblowing. During his presentations, Goodman played his ukulele and guitars to add some music to his message.

Next week, Goodman will return to Columbia to meet with a representative from each class to help design and paint a new glass sculpture that will be hung in the CIS lobby permanently.

Goodman is a graduate of Kings High School and was the Distinguished Alumnus for the Class of 2016. He has traveled the globe to learn the art of glassblowing and apprenticed under some of the most accomplished glassblowers. His works can be found in Hawaii, South Carolina, Chicago, and right here in Cincinnati. His most recent commission is called "Healing Tears" located in Cincinnati Children's Medical Center.





On Tuesday, May 2, Darren and CIS Art Teacher, Drew Thomas will appear LIVE with Frank Marzullo on Fox 19 to talk about glassblowing and the project at CIS. Stay tuned for the finished project!

Student Blogging Challenge at CIS

In March, the 5th and 6th grade ELA students in Mrs. Mueller's class at Columbia Intermediate school participated in the Slice of Life Classroom Blogging Challenge. A Slice of Life is a piece of writing that describes everyday experiences/reflections. This is a national challenge started by Two Writing Teachers.

Mrs. Mueller's students write a minimum of 250 word Slices of Life once a week on their own Kidblog sites throughout the school year, but in March, they are challenged to write all 31 days and leave a positive comment on three other bloggers' Slices of Life daily. Mrs. Mueller designs various levels and rewards for the challenge.

This year, 33 5th and 6th grade students reached Levels 4 and 5, which means they blogged and commented 25-31 days in March, even throughout spring break! They celebrated everyone's accomplishments on April 26th. Mrs.









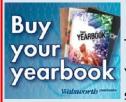




Mueller said, "Student blogging is a great way to build community, provide opportunities to talk about digital responsibility, and increase writing skills."

Fifth graders also Skyped Liesl Shurtliff, author of one of their read aloud books, RUMP: THE TRUE STORY OF RUMPELSTILTSKIN, while enjoying their challenge treats.

Get Your KHS Yearbook



TODAY is the LAST day to purchase a 2017 KHS yearbook! Get yours today!

Yearbooks are delivered in the fall. Senior yearbooks will be mailed home to the address on file at school.

KHS Prom and After Prom Information

Kings High School Prom and After Prom will take place on May 13. The After Prom Committee is having a Prom Corsage and Boutonniere sale. Corsages can be purchased for \$20 and Boutonnieres are \$10. They can be ordered here.

This year's After Prom Party, Knight With the Stars, will be held at The Web Extreme Entertainment. Get all permission slips and information <u>here</u>.

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Kings Color Guard

Be a part of an award-winning team, join the <u>Kings High School Color</u> <u>Guard!</u> Open to ALL students grades 9-12. No experience necessary.

There will be an open clinic on May 2 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the KJH

Gym to check it out. Additionally, tryouts will be held on May 15 and 19 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the KJH Gym.

For more information contact Color Guard Director Jennifer Maegly at imaegly@kinqslocal.net.

Safety Town Volunteers Needed

Deerfield Township Fire Rescue is looking for Safety Town Counselors this summer. Students can earn up to 80 community service hours by teaching children about safety.

Safety Town runs from Monday through Friday, June 13-24. Camp sessions are 9:00 a.m.-noon and 1:00p.m.-4:00 p.m. All youth are required to undergo a background check at their own expense and will have an orientation. <u>Click here</u> to learn more about being a Safety Town Volunteer.



Check Out Our Virtual Backpack



We have added a lot of NEW flyers to our Virtual Backpack! If you are looking for activities for your student, check out the <u>VIRTUAL BACKPACK</u> on our website. All flyer requests from our district organizations and non-profit organizations are now in one location! You can always find it on the homepage of our website or under the Resources tab. Don't forget to check out our <u>Summer Camp</u>

<u>Page</u> in our Virtual Backpack, too!

Our Kings High School Knight Times Online Newspaper features great articles written by our own KHS students.

Take some time to check out their website and read some of the terrific stories written by our talented students!



KINGS ATHLETICS NEWS



Check out Kings Athletics NEW website! You can find out schedule information, upcoming events, news about teams, and even get directions to away venues. <u>Find us on Facebook!</u>

Click here to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Don't miss this week's KHS Roundtable

Check out this week's Knights Weekly!

Thanks From Coach Olds

Last weekend, the Kings Football Program delivered 21,946 bags of mulch around the Kings Community. In its 20th year, Kings Football Coach, Andy Olds said this sale was a record breaker! "In my 20 years of leading the Annual Kings Football Mulch Sale, you would've thought that I've seen it all. But this weekend ended up with our sale making it to a new level."

Football players in grades 7-11 began delivering on Friday evening and finished by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. Coach Olds said, "I can never remember tracking such a discouraging forecast all week leading up to the sale." The forecast called for a soaking rain on Saturday, and it ended up not raining all day.

In his pep talk to the players, Coach Olds reminded the players that all of the volunteers were there to benefit them. He said, "Stop what you are doing players, take a look around. No one in this place benefits more than you from this event! Count your blessings, be grateful, and put your best foot forward this last day!" He continued, "It is my prayer that I hope you will be standing where your parents are now and you find yourself giving for your sons exactly like your parents gave for you!"

Coach Olds would like to offer special thanks to our supportive Kings Community, Coach Alex Garvin for recording, setting delivery schedules, tracking and organizing over 800 deliveries, Senior Point Moms, Candace Sannella and Nadine Heithaus who organized food and helpers to feed the workers all weekend, and all of the drivers, players, coaches and volunteers who spent their weekend dedicated to the Kings Football Program. GO KNIGHTS!







Kings Athletic Booster Club

2017 Summer Sports Camps Don't miss out on all of the great summer athletic camps. Check out the <u>Athletic</u>
<u>Summer Camp Flyer</u> or register online HERE.

Track Team Volunteers at St. Joseph's Home

On Saturday, April 22, seventy-five Kings Track and Field athletes volunteered at St. Joseph's Home Incline to the Finish Line 5K. The students loaded the bus at 7:30 a.m. for a day of working water stops, mile markers, and cheer stations.

St. Joseph Home creates a home for adults and children with developmental disabilities who have complex support needs and use a wheelchair for mobility. The Kings High School track team is in its third year of providing support for the road race that raises funds for this non-profit.

Special thanks to Coach Holly Schwalbach and parent volunteer, Michelle Jantzen who helped coordinate the day's activities.

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FREE Recruiting Seminar at KHS

On Monday, May 8 at Kings High School, college football recruiter, Mark Porter will offer a FREE seminar on recruiting. He focuses mainly on football, but would be beneficial for any sport, as well as for parents with middle school aged athletes.

His topics include the recruiting process, best football camps to attend, the difference between leagues, and much more. Join him at 6:00 p.m. in the Kings High School Auditorium.

For more Ohio scouting information visit ScoutingOhio.com.

Dave Segrist Annual Golf Outing

Former Kings teacher and coach Dave Segrist lost his battle with pancreatic cancer on May 30, 2011. A fund was founded in his name to offer financial support for seniors wanting to continue their education at the collegiate level, and it also helps to support underprivileged kids who want the opportunity to attend educational or athletic camps during the summer. This fund has contributed 10 scholarships to Kings students to help with college expenses.

To help support this fund, an annual benefit golf outing is held yearly. This year's tournament, the 6th Annual, will take place Saturday, June 3 at the Golf Center at Kings Island. <u>Click here</u> for more information.



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