



## KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 13, 2017

### Upcoming Events

Oct. 13—End of First Quarter.

Oct. 17—Kings Board of Education Special Meeting, 4:00 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

Oct. 17—Kings Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

Oct. 18—Kings Celebration, 7:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

Nov. 7—District In-Service Day, **NO SCHOOL**.

Nov. 14—Kings Board of Education Work Session, 5:30 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

Nov. 21—Kings Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conference Room 2.

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

Can't make it to the game vs. Walnut Hills tonight? Watch it on [The Cube!](#)



Good luck to all of our teams in post-season play!



### Bradford Learning Commons Ribbon Cutting

On Tuesday, October 10 the new Bradford Learning Commons was officially opened to the community with a [ribbon cutting](#) and open house. The event was attended by parents, students, community members, representatives from local businesses, and local officials.

Kings Superintendent, [Tim Ackermann](#) welcomed the guests by giving a brief [background](#) of the media center and its

namesake, Morsene Bradford, a former beloved teacher and community advocate.



Ackermann explained to the crowd the district's mindset about teaching to our students' future, relating that 60-65% of our students will be employed in jobs that have not even been created yet.

Kings has embarked in a strategic planning process called our #KingsStrong Plan. This is a unique plan as we are focusing on what high quality teaching and learning should look like in the future. Our #KingsStrong Team started a journey last year to discover what this meant. We determined that through our learning, our students and staff need to be provided the opportunity for three things to be successful: Relationships and the opportunities to be creative and innovative, thus our new tagline, Relate. Create. Innovate.

The Bradford Learning Commons is a place for our students to build resiliency, be creative and innovative, foster relationships, and work collaboratively in a team. We believe this new space is just the beginning in moving forward with our strategic plan in setting our students up for life success.

Special thanks to the MADE Chamber for contributing to the ribbon cutting ceremony. To learn more about the Bradford Learning Commons watch [this video](#) created by Kings High School Junior, Kevin Lewis and Senior, Anna Muenchen.

Check out the [gallery of pictures](#) from the evening.



## KHS Day of Service

The Kings High School Community Service Club organized approximately 300 seniors to serve at 18 different locations across the area on Wednesday, October 11 as they participated in the National Day of Service.

Members from the Mason-Deerfield Rotary Club volunteered their time as they joined the students in sprucing up J.F. Burns Outdoor Classroom, cleaning up Landen Lake, Caesar's Creek and Carter Park, pulling weeds and mulching at South Lebanon Elementary, painting a room in Joshua's

Place, cleaning furniture at Living Word Fellowship, working with residents at the Lodge Retirement Home, making blankets for kittens at HART, prepping materials for the Columbia Intermediate School Makerspace and many others.

Kings High School senior painting students collaborated with J.F. Burns Art Teacher, Laura Acierno, Shannon Russell of Mother Nature's Classroom, and volunteers from the J.F. Burns Green Team to paint benches for the Outdoor Classroom. J.F. Burns Elementary students have dedicated its new addition to the Outdoor Classroom to the late Cincinnati-based modernist wildlife artist- Charley Harper.

This is the 10th year that the senior class has participated in the National Day of Service and Remembrance. To view a gallery of pictures from the day [click here](#).

## JFB Teacher Named Jennings Fellow

The Kings Local School District would like to congratulate J.F. Burns Elementary First Grade Teacher, Jill Mohr for being named a 2017 Jennings Fellow by the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation. Jill is only one of 13 chosen from the thousands of public school teachers in Ohio.

This highly-regarded distinction honors master teachers in select areas of Ohio each year. Candidates, who have been nominated by their superintendents, participate in the Jennings Educators Institute during the fall. During the months following the institute, they design, implement, and document lessons incorporating ideas from the Institute under the guidance of university partners. Participants earn the designation "Jennings Fellow" by taking an additional step to immediately apply what they have learned.

"Jill is a lifelong learner. She always wants to better herself and makes decisions based on what is best for children," said J.F. Burns Elementary Principal, Cheryl Montag. "She is a professional educator that I am grateful to work with every day."

The [Martha Holden Jennings Foundation](#) was founded in 1959 to provide a means for greater accomplishment on the part of Ohio's teachers and students. The Foundation awards grants to teachers, public school districts, and tax-exempt organizations that assist public elementary and secondary schools in Ohio and focuses its efforts on two themes: excellent teaching and deep learning.

Pictured: Kings Superintendent, Tim Ackermann, Mrs. Mohr, and JFB Principal, Cheryl Montag surrounded by Mrs. Mohr's students.



## KJH Choir Hosts Guest Composer

Kings Junior High Choir Students received a special treat on Wednesday, October 4 when they had the chance to work with composer, Cynthia Gray during their classes.

Both of the KJH 7th grade choirs performed pieces of music that were written by Mrs. Gray for their concert on October 10. The 7th grade boys sang a song called "The Piper." Mrs. Gray commented that she has never heard a choir of all boys sing this song before, and she really enjoyed their performance.

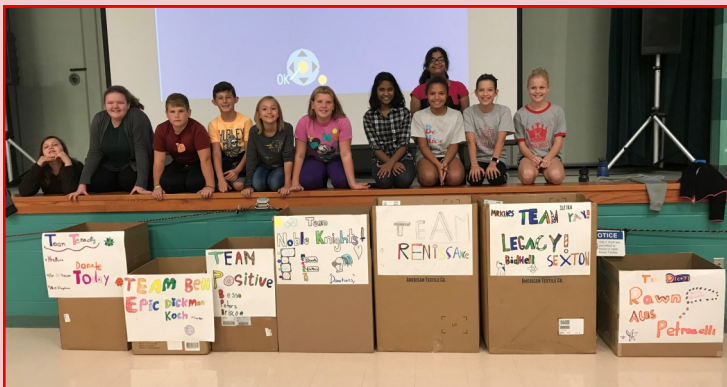
The 7th grade girls sang one of Gray's earliest compositions called "The Clouds," which holds a special message of finding peace and love in a troubled world.

During her visit, students were able to ask Mrs. Gray questions about her inspirations, the writing process, and her career in music. Junior High Choir Director, Scott Hayward commented, "With Cynthia being a local composer, we wanted to take the chance to have the students be exposed to a career in music that is non-performance based. It is also such a rarity to be able to sing a piece of music for the person who actually wrote it, and get to learn from them how to improve our performance. This was a very special opportunity that our junior high choir students will hopefully never forget!" Mrs. Gray was very complimentary of the choir program at Kings, specifically the way the 7th grade boys and girls are able to work on developing their voices in their own separate classes. She told the 7th grade boys, "We didn't have the opportunity to do that when I was in school. You are very lucky here!"

Gray lives in Lebanon and is a retired school teacher who has been writing music for choirs for over 30 years. In addition to publishing over 70 choral compositions, she also works on staff with the Cincinnati Children's Choir.



## CIS Fifth Grade Sponsors Hurricane Devastated School In Houston



The 5th grade students at Columbia Intermediate School are starting a year long service project. They will be supporting students at Rick Schneider Middle School in Houston, Texas. This school was hit hard by Hurricane Harvey.

This week, they kicked off a gently used and new clothing drive. The Kindness Drive will run through October 17. They also hosted a Silly Sock, Hat, and Hair Day to raise funds for shipping.

Pictured are some of the 5th Grade students with the collection boxes they labeled.

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## SLE Vehicle Day

South Lebanon Elementary hosted their annual Vehicle Day on Friday, October 6. The objective of the day was to expose students to different career ideas and opportunities in our own community. The students had the opportunity to explore a dune buggy, police cruiser, SWAT truck, firetruck, ambulance, military hummer, race car, four-wheeler, orthodontist van, postal truck, golf cart, Window Genie vehicle, and an antique truck.

The students were able to explore each vehicle, learn about them, and ask questions about each of the guest's career.



## KHS Students' Artwork Decorates KME Media Center

Kings High School art students created artwork using children's literature as their subject. Kings Mills Elementary Media Specialist, Carrie Cunningham saw the art displayed at KHS and asked Kings High School Art Teacher, Carrie Cooke if she would be willing to donate any of the artwork that her students didn't want to be displayed in KME's newly renovated media center.

Mrs. Cunningham has temporarily displayed the KHS students' artwork in the showcase outside of the media center. Each piece is displayed next to the book that it represents. She plans to have the pieces framed in the near future.

Cunningham said, "The artwork is amazing!"



## Teen Driver Safety Event at KHS

October 15-21 is National Teen Driver Safety Week in the United States. Did you know that Warren County has the highest number of distracted driving related crashes in the state of Ohio.

On October 20, Kings High School, Impact Teen Driver, and The Ohio Department of Transportation are joining together to host a Teen Driver Safety Event. The event will take place from 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.

The event will include an hour long assembly, ODOT's distracted driver simulator and a chance to participate in teen driver safety activities. The event is open to the parents of Kings High School students, as well in hopes to highlight the need to pay attention and buckle up while driving.





MASON & DEERFIELD

**DEERFIELD TWP TRUSTEES, FISCAL OFFICER & KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES FORUM**

## Kings School Board Candidate Forums

The Mason Deerfield Chamber is hosting a Candidate Forum for those seeking election to Deerfield Township Board of Trustees & Kings Local School Board on Thursday, October 19 from 6:00-9:30 p.m. at Kings High School. **The School Board portion will begin at 6:30 p.m.** [Visit Made Chamber's website](#) for more information.

Additionally, the Kings Education Association, Kings High School Student Council, Kings District Parent Council, and Mason Deerfield Chamber will be hosting a Candidate Forum with the Kings School Board candidates on Thursday, October 26 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. A meet and greet will take place from 6:00-6:30 p.m. and the formal forum, moderated by Assistant Warren County Prosecutor, Derek Faulkner will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Community members are invited to submit questions to be asked by the moderator. Each candidate will have the opportunity for an opening and closing statement.



## Bus and Pedestrian Safety

Sometimes, as drivers, we get in a hurry and are distracted. Please make every effort to use caution when driving in neighborhoods with bus stops and school zones. Watch for children walking or bicycling to school. Slow down. Look for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood.

Additionally, talk to your kids about how to stay safe around school buses and traffic by recognizing and obeying traffic signals, signs, and pavement markings.

Our first priority is the safety of our students. We appreciate your help in keeping them safe, too!

## Helping Puerto Rico

Two students from Kings High School are hosting a Hurricane Relief Drive for the residents of Puerto Rico. The Island is struggling from the aftermath of Hurricane Maria. Currently, millions of people lack power, communications, and are running low on water and food.

Sophomores Isa Gangadin and Karena Trannguyen are challenging their fellow students to help make this drive a success. The class that brings the most supplies will be treated to ice cream on October 23. Way to be #KingsStrong, girls!

## Hurricane Relief Drive for Puerto Rico

**KHS is collecting relief aid supplies for Puerto Rico hurricane victims from October 9<sup>th</sup> – October 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Please bring in items listed to your 7<sup>th</sup> bell. The class that brings in the most supplies will enjoy ice cream during 7<sup>th</sup> period. There will be an ice cream truck waiting for you outside!**

\* Many thanks to our ice cream truck sponsor, Agenter Orthodontics

### ITEMS TO DONATE

- Canned Non-perishable food (tuna, Spam, Vienna sausages, canned/boxed milk)
- Baby Formula
- Baby Wipes
- Diapers
- Feminine Hygiene (tampons, pads, wipes)
- Toiletries (toothpaste, deodorant, soap)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Repellent (non-aerosol)
- Batteries
- Flashlights
- Sanitizing Wipes





## FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH

### Free and Reduced Lunch Opportunity

The deadline has been extended to apply for the Free and Reduced Meal Program.

Free and Reduced-price lunches are available to students who qualify and meet the eligibility guidelines. Students who qualified last school year automatically qualify for the first 30 days of the school year.

Applications may be obtained by contacting your child's school or you can also access a copy from the Kings Local School website at [www.kingslocal.net](http://www.kingslocal.net) or by [clicking here](#).

Please contact Kings Food Service Director, Jennifer S. Arlinghaus R.D., L.D., at 513-398-8050 ext. 10027.

**Kings is hiring Substitute Teachers ! [Click here](#) to apply!**

### FREE Self Defense Seminar

Martial Arts America in Landen is hosting a FREE Self Defense Seminar on Friday, October 20 from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

The seminar will focus on basic self defense and personal safety planning and will include how to use common items for self defense, what to do if you are knocked to the ground, and practical techniques in a fun and safe environment. It is open to men, women and children.

Donations will be accepted to be given to Pink Ribbon Girls. Learn more [here](#).



## FIGHT LIKE A GIRL

**Oct. 20, 2017 \* 7-10**



### It's Time to Sign Up for Ski Club!

CIS, KJH, and KHS Ski Club signups have started. The first 100 people to sign up get a Ski Club T-Shirt! Please go to the [club website](#) and check out the information, FAQ page, and the signup page for all the information you need including the password. See you on the slopes!

### Take the My Energy Kit Challenge

Kings Junior High School is taking the My Energy Kit Challenge and has a goal to save at least 20,000 kilowatt-hours of energy this school year. That's a year's worth of electricity for two homes!

If at least 100 families sign up for a FREE Energy Kit and use it to make their homes energy-efficient, KJH will automatically receive \$250. These FREE kits from Duke Energy contain items like LED bulbs, a low-flow shower head, and other useful gadgets that can make a big difference toward saving energy at home.

Support KJH by taking the My Energy Kit Challenge and sign up for your FREE kit at [MyEnergyKit.org](http://MyEnergyKit.org) or call 1-855-386-9548.







## 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. [Find us on Facebook!](#)  
[Click here](#) to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Check out this week's [Knights Weekly!](#)

The Athletic Department is now on [YouTube](#). Subscribe today!

Don't miss this week's [KHS Roundtable](#)



### Mandatory Meeting for Kings Women's Lacrosse

Kings Women's Lacrosse will be hosting a pre-season meeting on Tuesday, October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium. This meeting is mandatory for all high school and junior high players interested in playing lacrosse in 2018. If you have any questions please contact Coach Bilbrey at [timbilbrey@outlook.com](mailto:timbilbrey@outlook.com).

### Kings Wrestling Open House

The Knights Wrestling Club will be hosting an open house to kick off the 2017-18 wrestling season. The night will offer young wrestlers and their families the opportunity to learn the basics of the wrestling program and offer a chance to meet the coaches. The program will be held on October 18 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Kings High School wrestling room.

The open house is designed for any student from 2nd-12th grades interested in learning more about the wrestling program. Jr. High and High School wrestlers and coaches, as well as youth coaches will be available to provide demonstrations and answer questions. For more information email [KingsKnightswrestling@gmail.com](mailto:KingsKnightswrestling@gmail.com).



### Jay's Journey Fun-Raiser

Former Kings Coach, Jay Moore was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma in June. He is in the fight of his life and his friends and family are asking the Kings Community to come together to support him at the "Journey Tourney" for Jay at the Kings Island Golf Center on Saturday, October, 21..

There will be a 12-hole Fun Golf Tourney and for the non-golfers a Wine and Design Painting Party. Learn more about Jay's journey and how you can support him in this non-traditional "FUN-Raiser" by [clicking here](#).

### Kings Athletics Seeking Nominations for Athletic Hall of Fame

There's still time to nominate a Kings graduate for the Athletic Hall of Fame! send your [Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#) to the Kings Athletic Department by November 1, 2017. The next Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held in the Spring of 2018.



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Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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## BETTER WINGS FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY



Buffalo Wings & Rings near **Kings Island** is a proud supporter of the local community. Come support the **Kings Women's Golf Team** by coming in on **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017** from 5-8 PM, we will donate 10% of your check to the **Kings Women's Golf Team**.

**WHEN** Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
5-8 PM

**WHERE** Buffalo Wings & Rings  
5517 Kings Center Drive  
Mason, OH 45040  
513-336-6644



Game Time Just Got Better.<sup>SM</sup>

### Connect With Us!

Keep up with everything Kings by following us on social media. We can't possibly report all of the great things happening in our weekly EBBN. We update our social media pages daily with exciting things that happen in and out of our classrooms! Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) to keep up with all of the great things that happen on a daily basis.

## CONNECT WITH US!





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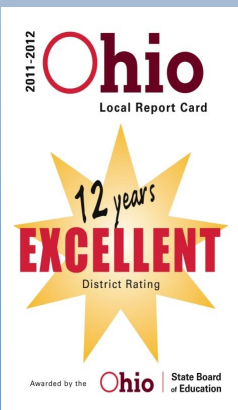
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