



October 28, 2016



There is NO
SCHOOL on
Tuesday,
November 8 due
to Election Day.

It's Senior
Night at the
Castle tonight
where the
Knights take
on Withrow!
Can't make it?
Watch it LIVE
on [The Cube!](#)



Upcoming Events.

Nov. 8— NO SCHOOL, Election Day.

Nov. 9— BOE Work Session, 5:30 p.m., KEC Conf.
Rm. 2. (NOTE: Date change)

Nov. 12— Knight Madness, 6:00-9:00 p.m., KHS
Gymnasium

Nov. 16— BOE Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC Conf.
Rm. 2. (NOTE: Date change)

Nov. 23— NO SCHOOL, Covers 2 Conference eve-
nings)

Nov. 24-25—NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break.

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

ODE Performs Independent Audit at Kings

The Ohio Department of Education was in the Kings District on October 10 to conduct an independent financial analysis of the Kings five-year forecast. Kings Treasurer, Shaun Bevan requested the review of the forecast to verify his results.



Department
of Education

Representatives from the School Funding and Fiscal Support Services Office of the ODE completed a four year history and a projection for the current and next fiscal year. Prior to their visit, the Kings Treasurer's Office sent them several documents and reports requested to complete the analysis. Those documents included district expenditures and balances, estimated resources, a list of operating levies with voted millage, four year's of historical financial data, most recently adopted appropriation resolution, most recent foundation funding report, current adopted salary schedules for personnel, and adopted budget for the next fiscal year.

We are happy to report that the results of ODE's audit supports and validates Kings five-year forecast as presented by Mr. Bevan. Superintendent, Tim Ackermann said, "The recent independent review of our five-year forecast by the Ohio Department of Education supports and validates the negative cash balance projected for the near future, as presented by Kings Treasurer, Shaun Bevan. By law, a school district cannot operate with a negative cash balance, thus causing the need for additional funding."

[Click here](#) to see the results of the ODE's financial analysis. [Click here](#) to view the Kings five-year forecast and [click here](#) to view the five-year forecast notes and assumptions. If you have any questions regarding this recent analysis or our five-year forecast, contact Kings Treasurer Shaun Bevan at sbevan@kingslocal.net.



Did You Know?

The Kings Board of Education voted to place a 6.2 mill Operating Levy on the November 8, 2016 ballot. Each week until the election we will be giving you a new fact about the levy.

LEVY FACT #10

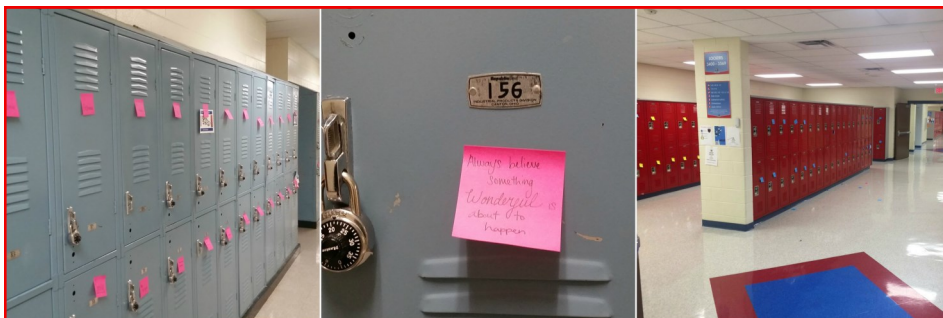
The new funds received from the operating levy will be used to fund the day to day operations of the district. We are anticipating increases in expenditures in multiple areas of the district including personnel, transportation, special education, as well as increases due to increasing enrollment.

Please visit the Levy Information page on our website by [clicking here](#). You will find frequently asked questions and more information. If you have questions regarding the upcoming levy, please contact Kings Superintendent Tim Ackermann at tackermann@kingslocal.net.

Kings Kindness at KHS (Say that three times fast!)

Last Friday morning, Kings High School students and staff arrived to school to find Post-it® notes with positive messages, affirmations, and words of encouragement on all lockers and in classrooms.

This random act of kindness is #KingsStrong!



Reader's Theater at KME

Mrs. Shepherd's first grade class at Kings Mills Elementary held a Reader's Theater party last Friday. The students performed the story, "Old MacDonald's Noisy Farm" for each other while enjoying cow shaped gummy snacks, juice, and popcorn during the performance.

Readers Theater is part of the district's new Benchmark Reading series. Mrs. Shepherd said, "The children had a great time practicing their reading fluency!"

There are some great stories being written by the staff of *The Knight Times*, our Kings High School Online Newspaper. [Click here](#) to read stories from movie reviews, new teachers, current events, and things going in the district.

We have some very talented writers at KHS!



Preschool Visits Burger Farm

The 4 year old preschool class from Kings Preschool took a trip to Burger Farm this week. They saw a pumpkin puppet show, took a hay ride, explored in a hay maze, and saw a variety of animals.

Pictured are students from Mrs. Combs' Tuesday/Thursday class.



Tip-toe Through the Tulips at KME

The Kings Mills Elementary PTO Garden Club held a special project for the school this week. The club helped each student at KME plant a tulip bulb in the front gardens. In the Spring, there will be beautiful red and white tulips bloomed to represent all of the students at KME! Thank you, Garden Club! You are #KingsStrong!

Two National Honor Society Inductions This Week at KHS

This week, Kings High School inducted 106 students into two different National Honor Societies. The KHS NHS inducted 48 juniors and 10 seniors in a candle lighting ceremony on Tuesday, October 25. The new members were "tapped" earlier in the month by current NHS officers and presented with a rose.

The four pillars set forth by the NHS are Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. Students must maintain a GPA of 3.75 and submit an application for entry. KHS NHS members will represent the school by completing service projects during the school year.

On Wednesday, October 26, the inaugural Kings High School Spanish National Honor Society induction took place. Led by KHS Spanish Teachers, Lindsay Six and Valerie Eldridge, they inducted 48 juniors and seniors. To be inducted, students must have maintained an overall GPA of 3.5 and a GPA of 3.5 specifically among Spanish classes. They had to be enrolled in a level 3 class or higher and receive a teacher recommendation.

Six said, "The National Society has existed since 1953 and Kings has had chapters in the past, but after a period without a chapter here at Kings, this is our inaugural class of inductees into the newly formed Lazarillo de Tormes chapter."

Inductees will be completing various service projects around the school this year and committing to pursue the learning of the Spanish language.

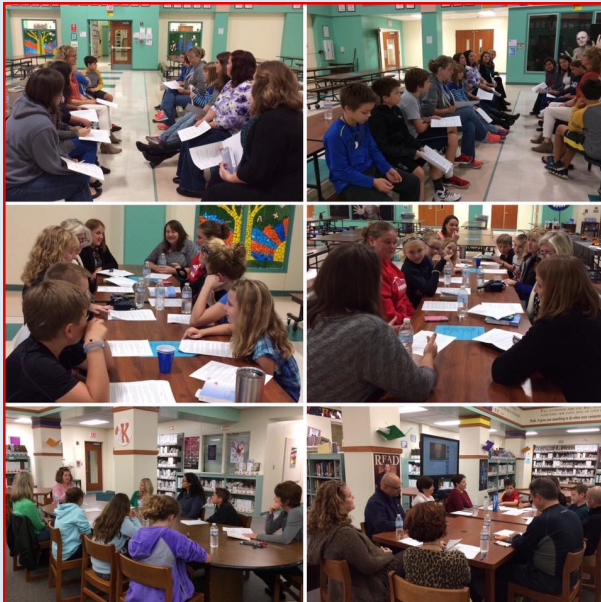


Support Kings Local Food Pantry

The Kings Local Food Pantry has again been chosen by Meijer on Montgomery Rd. to be the recipient of the Meijer Simply Give Program. The program runs from October 31 through December 31. To support the Simply Give Program, go to Meijer and purchase a \$10.00 Simply Give card and Meijer will match your donation. (No other purchase is necessary) The cards are displayed by the checkouts and entrances.



The Kings Local Food Pantry supports those in our community that deal with food insecurity issues. Mary Scherle, Director of Kings Local Food Pantry said, "Kings Pantry appreciates all that the Kings Local School District does during the year to support our families. Your Food and Personal Care Drives on our behalf gets us through the times when monetary donations are slow coming in." Last year, through the generosity of the Kings Community, the Kings Food Pantry received nearly \$10,000 in Meijer gift cards. Scherle said, "Those cards made a huge difference in our being able to keep our shelves stocked with additional nutritious foods, and often items our clients can't afford to put on their kitchen shelves." For more information about the Kings Local Food Pantry [click here](#).



CIS Parent/Student Book Club

Columbia Intermediate School hosted their second annual Family Book Club on Monday, October 24 in the Cafeteria for 5th and 6th grade students and their families. Over 50 parents attended with their students.

The 5th grade discussed "Out of My Mind," by Sharon Draper and the 6th grade discussed "A Long Walk to Water," by Linda Sue Park. Both books are common reads for students at CIS.

The families and staff enjoyed a dinner together that was donated by the Rusty Bucket in Mason.

Welcome Back, Mr. Groh!

Retired J.F. Burns Elementary Principal, Ed Groh was welcomed to a luncheon at J.F. Burns this week. Groh, who was a principal for three decades in the Kings District, was invited by current principal, Cheryl Montag to come back for a visit to his old building. Several retired teachers, colleagues, and previous students stopped by to say "hi" and enjoy lunch with Mr. Groh.



Mrs. Montag said, "It was so great to have him back in the building where he meant so much to so many!"

J.F. Burns Elementary Fifth Annual Candy Drive for the Troops

For the sixth year, J.F. Burns Elementary School will collect Halloween candy to send to the troops overseas. They are looking to reach their goal of exceeding the 2,563 pounds of candy that was collected last year!

The candy drive starts Tuesday, November 1 and ends Friday, November 11. Candy donations can be brought to the school or to Mac's Pizza Pub in Landen. There will be a drop box located in the main hallway for after-hours donations. All types of candy and snacks (including Chocolate) will be accepted, with the exception of candy in the shape of body parts or weapons. If possible, please send the candy into the school in Ziplock® baggies.



For the third year, the school will be partnering with The Yellow Ribbon Support Center located in Batavia, Ohio. The Yellow Ribbon Support Center was founded by the parents of SSG Keith "Matt" Maupin after he was captured by insurgents in Iraq on April 9, 2004. The Yellow Ribbon Support Center sends care packages to local military service members who are deployed in an effort to bring them a little comfort from home. If you have a loved one that is currently deployed in harms way, please email Keith Maupin at KeithMaupin@yellowribbonsupportcenter.com.

They are accepting monetary donations, as well as collecting change to help cover the cost of shipping the care packages. You may send a check made payable to "The Yellow Ribbon Support Foundation" or make your donations via PayPal through the Yellow Ribbon Support Center website. All donations are tax deductible. Questions should be directed to Hope Cantrall at hopecantrall@gmail.com.

Trick or Treat!

The preschoolers at Kings Kids were all dressed up and went trick-or-treating in the Kings Education Center this week! Our staff in the Kings Education Center passed out yummy treats to superheroes, princesses, Frozen Characters, pirates, vampires, and even a witch or two! Even the Kings Preschool Staff got into the spirit!



Roewer Receives Grant

Kevin Evans from Voya Financial, presented J.F. Burns Elementary 1st grade Teacher, Emily Roewer with a \$2,000 teaching grant from the 2016 Voya Unsung Heroes awards competition this week.

Through the Voya Unsung Heroes Program, Voya awards grants to K-12 educators nationwide to honor their innovative teaching methods, creative educational projects, and their ability to positively influence the children they teach.

Mrs. Roewer was selected from a group of more than 1,350 applicants and only 100 winners across the country for her project "Growing Up, Dreaming Big." The grant will fund the purchase of 100 hanging garden planters that first grade students will use to create a vertical garden along a fence near the existing garden beds at J.F. Burns.

Voya Financial is a leading provider of retirement plans for educators. This year marks the 20th anniversary of Voya Unsung Heroes Program. Since 1996, it has awarded nearly \$5 million in grants to more than 2,000 educators across the United States.

Congratulations Mrs. Roewer!



Knights Win Rumble for the Ribbon

Last Friday night, the Castle was transformed into a Sea of Pink as the Kings and Loveland Communities supported the Pink Ribbon Girls at the Rumble for the Ribbon Game. This yearly matchup brings two communities together to bring awareness to breast cancer and raise funds for the Pink Ribbon Girls organization. Organizer, Jan Middleton says that this game is the top fundraising game of the year.



Kings Special Education Assistant and breast cancer survivor, Lisa Bird was honorary captain of the game and won the coin toss for the Knights. Breast cancer survivors were recognized before the game and Borcharding Buick GMC sponsored a Punt/ Pass/Kick Challenge at half time.


The Knights beat the Tigers 35-14 and took home the Rumble for the Ribbon trophy.



On Thursday, October 28, the KHS Chamber Choir welcomed KHS Sophomore Mo Juenger and KME Music Teacher, Matt Jenkins to rehearsal to collaborate on their original compositions. Singers read through each piece and acted as a lab choir for the two composers, giving them feedback from a choir member's perspective, and making changes where the composers wanted to hear something done differently. Mo is independently studying composition at KHS, and this was her first time hearing her Chorale performed by an ensemble. The choir will perform Mr. Jenkins' arrangement, "In Silent Stillness" at the combined band & choir concert on December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the KHS Auditorium.



Order Your Yearbook



Kings Junior High yearbooks are now on sale. The cost is \$30 for a 72 color page hard-back book. Name engraving is included in this price. You must take advantage of this before October 31 to get this special pricing. After October 31 the price increases to \$35, so don't delay, get your yearbook today. Go to www.smart-pay.com to order your book. Type in Kings Mills and you should see our school's page. Any questions, please call Mrs. Thomann at 398-8050 ext. 12045 or email at jthomann@kingslocal.net.

Free and Reduced Lunch Information

The Food Service Department is a member of the National School Lunch Program. With this program we offer a Free and Reduced Meal Program.

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

Students that were on the program last year and have not completed a new application are no longer on the free or reduced meal program. In order to reactivate the program to determine the eligibility for your child / student, applications are due at this time

Applications may be obtained by contacting your child's school or you can also access a copy on our website or by [clicking here](#).

If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Arlinghaus, Kings Food Service Director at 513-398-8050, ext. 10027.



Check Out Our Virtual Backpack

We have added a lot of flyers to our Virtual Backpack. If you are looking for activities for your student, check out the [VIRTUAL BACKPACK](#) 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.

"Annie" Features Kings Actors

The Children's Theatre of Mason's presents Annie November 4-6 at Mason High School. This production features 18 Kings Local School District students from the elementary schools through the high school. The show will run for four performances -Friday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, November 5 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.; and Sunday, November 6 at 2:00 p.m.. VIP reserved seating tickets can be purchased for the Friday and Saturday evening shows as well as the Sunday matinee for \$25 each. General admission tickets for any show are \$12 each. All tickets can be purchased online at www.ctm-kids.com through November 3 at 5:00 p.m. and at the door starting one hour before each show.

For more information [click here](#).



Looking for Distinguished Alumni

The Kings Local School's Distinguished Alumni Award began in 2009 to honor graduates of Kings High School who have made a significant impact in their communities and professions and serve as exemplary role models for Kings Schools.

The award is presented during KHS Graduation. Nominations are accepted year-round and will be kept on file and considered each year. In order to be considered for the 2017 Distinguished Alumni Award, the nomination is due by February 1, 2017. If you know any-

one who you feel would make a great Distinguished Alumnus, [click here](#) to access nomination form.

Pictured is 2016 Kings Distinguished Alumnus Darren Goodman.



National Bullying Prevention Month

It's National Bullying Prevention Month and the Kings Local School District would like to make you aware of some resources available to you right on our website. We offer a hotline through Public School Works that can be found on the Resources Tab on our website. You just click the link that says "Stay Safe, Speak Up Hotline." Also on our Resources page you will find information about Bullying and Cyber-bullying and a Parent Information Section which provides parents with information on the challenges that students face. [Click here](#) for more information.

The State of Ohio now offers a Safer Schools Ohio tip line. Once a tip is received by the Safer Schools Ohio tip line, Ohio Homeland Security personnel will determine whether the concern is a school-related threat of a criminal nature and /or a criminal terrorism-related tip or suspicious activity, call 844-SAFEROH.



**October is
Bullying
Awareness
Month**





**Kings Cross Country and
our local Buffalo Wings & Rings
are teaming up for a fundraiser night!**

**Monday, November 7, 2016
6 - 9 pm
10% of your food check donated to CC**

**No flyer is needed.
Just bring your friends and family, have a great
meal, and help Buffalo Wings & Rings support
our Kings CC team.**

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



SUPPORT KINGS THEATER



Please join us on Friday, October 28th from 4pm-8pm at Anna's Gourmet Popcorn, 6054 S. State Rt.48 in Maineville at Rivers Bend Center for a King's Theater Fundraiser.

For any delicious popcorn purchase you make, King's Theater will receive 15% toward our program.

You can present this flyer or simply mention you are supporting Kings and your purchase will greatly benefit the talented kids in our program! See you there!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Ethicon is sponsoring an event at iSPACE (on the Scarlet Oaks Career Campus) called Spaghetti with Betty. It is the third annual event that celebrates girls in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). The event encourages girls in grades 5 – 12 to celebrate STEM learning.

The event will take place on Wednesday, November 9 from 6:00 –8:00 p.m. at iSPACE on the Scarlet Oaks Career Campus, 100 Scarlet Oaks Drive, Cincinnati, OH.

There is no cost to attend but an RSVP is required by November 1.

[Click here](#) to register.



**WE'RE
HIRING!**



**Kings is hiring
Substitute Teachers and
Custodians. [Click here](#) for
more information.**

Senior Picture Yearbook Guidelines

Seniors have until November 22, 2016 to submit a picture for the yearbook. Photos must be in color and in jpg form.

For more information and directions on submitting photos for the yearbook [click here](#).

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- Must attend all sessions
- Must be available to work M-F

WHEN: Nov 23, 25, 26

TIME: 11/23, 25 10-4p, 11/26 10-1p

LOCATION: COUNTRYSIDE YMCA
 Aquatic Training Room
 For more information contact
 Nate Brestelli
 513 932 1424 x116
nate.brestelli@ymcastaff.org



The Mason Public Library serves families in Mason and Deerfield Township. Any Ohio resident is welcome to get a free Mason Public Library card and check out books from them.

There are many events going on at the library in October and November such as Halloween Special Effects Makeup event, PAW's for Reading, TAB Auxiliary, and Chemistry Night. Youth Librarian, Cheryl Vasan would like to invite our Kings students to take advantage of the Mason Public Library.

[Click here](#) to access their website and learn more about what is available at our local public library.

Reading is fun!



Turkey Day Run

Deerfield Township and Life Time Fitness are sponsoring the 7th Annual Turkey Day 10K and 5K Run and Walk on Thursday, November 24 at 8:00 a.m.

Register online or at Life Time Fitness in Mason. Early Bird registration is \$25 until October 31.

All proceeds will benefit the South Lebanon Food Pantry.

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

Volunteers are needed to help pass out race packets on Wednesday, November 23. Please contact Lauren Leimberger at lleimberger@lifetimefitness.com.





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.

[Click here](#) to access the Kings Athletics Webpage.

Get this week's Knight's Weekly—[Click here](#)

Don't miss this week's Knights Roundtable—[Click here](#)

KINGS YOUTH FOOTBALL

Good luck to our KYO Football Teams as they play for the National and American Championships this weekend. Those teams

going to championships are 3rd grade Rezenbrink, 4th grade Legault, 4th grade Malone, 5th grade Platter, 6th grade Jones, and 6th grade Kenney.



Our Men's Cross Country Team and Women's Cross Country Qualifier, Hannah Rasmussen will be at Troy High School on Saturday, October 28 for the OHSAA Regional Cross Country Meet. The Men's team will race at 12:30 p.m. and Hannah will run at 3:00 p.m. Good luck runners! #KingsFast

Kings Youth Lacrosse Registration

Kings Youth Boys Lacrosse Registration is open now through November 30. Registration is open to all boys in grades K-6. All experience levels are welcome. Equipment available through Cory's Closet. Games are March-May. Registration is online at www.kingsyouthlax.com. Questions? Contact Lee Ann Mueller at lmmueller88@yahoo.com.



LAROSA'S MVP OF THE WEEK WINNER



NAME: Matt Sichterman
SCHOOL: Kings High School
SPORT(S): Football-Basketball
GRADUATING YEAR: 2017
ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Big offensive lineman committed to U. of Nebraska

Congratulations to Matt Sichterman for being named LaRosa's Pizza MVP of the Week! Coach Olds said, "What a great honor for Matt!"



Mark Your Calendar for Knight Madness

This year's Knight Madness, an evening filled with food, fun, and interactive entertainment, courtesy of our winter sports teams, will take place on Saturday, November 12 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. There will be performances by the Kings Dance Team and the Firecrackers. There will also be intersquad scrimmages of our boys and girls basketball teams. Arrive at 6:00 p.m. to meet and have dinner with the players. A meal including a Penn Station sub, chips, cookie, and drink will be available for \$5 purchase. All proceeds benefit Kings Basketball Programs. Knight Madness t-shirts will be on sale in the Athletic Office next week.

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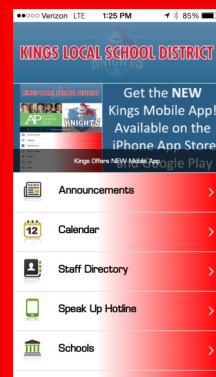
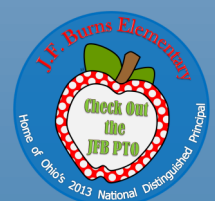
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