Mantua PTA Alert News

February 14, 2006

Calling all Box Tops! The deadline for the last submission for this school year is fast approaching. We will continue to collect Box Tops all year, but whatever we can collect before the end of February will get counted for this school year. So please—overwhelm us! Also, please keep sending those Campbell Labels.

Parents of Students with Emotional Disabilities Join our parent-run Internet support group

If you live in Fairfax County and have a child with the ED label, or a child who is being considered for that special education label, please join us in an Email discussion group to share our experiences and discuss educational issues.

For over five years, dozens of parents and guardians from across the county have been having lively, confidential discussions about school issues. Our children are in all grades and levels of service. We can be a tremendous resource for you and hope you will share your experiences with us.

To join, go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/edfairfax/ or write to Margaret Fisher jrosenthal2@cox.net

KIDS CARE CLUB:

SHARE TO CARE TALENT SHOW – new date is **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25th** starting at 6pm. Once again, pizza and refreshments will be available starting at 5:30. Please contact Patti Taheri at mptaheri@cox.net or Donna McGrath at dsm721@cox.net if you are unable to perform that night. We hope the weather will be a bit more cooperative!

March 2nd is Read Across America Day.

Mantua School will be celebrating that event by having an evening of storytelling. On Thursday evening March 2nd in the library will be - A Story for a Story. From 6pm to 8pm there will be various teachers and members of the Mantua community sharing their favorite stories. All families are invited to share this event. This is the 3rd year for this wonderful evening of storytelling. The cost to enter is one new or gently used book. All the books collected will be donated to a school in need of building its library. If you would like to share a favorite book or story, please contact Janet Sottolano at Mantua School (Janet.Sottolano@fcps.edu).

ARE YOU READY FOR FUN WITH THE SUN? HOS Spring Registration Starts 2/14

SOLAR ENERGY, one of our (2) favorite HOS sessions will begin the week of April 24. Many classes are held outdoors! Registration for Solar Energy starts this week on February 14. Please refer to the bright yellow flyer in this week's Tuesday Folder for the descriptions of the classes and the registration form CLASSES FILL UP QUICKLY so send in your registration as soon as possible to reserve your space. Questions? Please contact Randi Kirkland at (703) 208- 2262 or e-mail at randi_kirkland@yahoo.com

RACCOON RUN PLANNING MEETING

THURSDAY, FEB 23
7:30 pm in the Library
There may be snow on the ground, but spring is just around the corner--Can you believe in just 3 months the 6th Annual Mantua RACCOON RUN will be underway?!! That's right, things are tracking for the MAY 13th event supporting LIfe with Cancer, but we need your help! Please come to our planning meeting and help us put on the best race yet! Questions, contact Jennifer Cooper 703-966-8304 or jalcooper@aol.com

Internet Safety Presentation

Thursday, Feb 16 730-9pm
Immanuel Christian School (Worship Center)
6915 Braddock Rd., Springfield
Jennifer Krell, the Frost Middle School Technology Specialist will present an in-depth review of Cyber Space technology and education about how to keep our children safe online. Learn about the technology of blogs, web logs, instant messaging and chat rooms.

WOODSON COMMUNITY COALITION

Next Meeting: Thursday, Feb 23, 930am at Einstein Bagels at Pickett
Come and get involved in making our community and schools safe, alcohol and drug free. Questons, Contact Jennifer Cooper 703-966-8304 or jalcooper@aol.com

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