



# Mantua PTA Alert News

March 20, 2007

**Reminder, Friday, March 30th will be a regular school day; there WILL be school on that day due to a snow make-up day.**

## **Four days and counting! The Great American Heroes Mantua Carnival is Coming!**

Great American Heroes- Advance sale tickets are available now either on-line at [www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org) or starting Thursday morning in the cafeteria! Advance sale ticket passes provide 4 tickets for \$1 and are available in multiples of 20. On-line purchasing is easy with step-by-step instructions at the WEB site. These passes may be picked up at will call on either Friday evening or Saturday at the Carnival. On-site advanced ticket sales will start in the Cafeteria from 8:30 – 9:00 AM on Wed. through Friday and again on Friday evening from 7 – 8:30 PM. For complete details or to get a ticket flyer visit the WEB site at [www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org). Remember buy early and save. The day of the carnival tickets will be 3 for \$1. Remember, the carnival is held from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Here are a few endnotes to remember:

Over 200 cakes are needed to make the Cake walk fun for all;

There will be TWO wonderful Moon bounces to enjoy;

Play games and earn points to receive your choice of prizes. For complete details and to see pictures visit the WEB at [www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org) ;

Buy raffle tickets to win one of several great prizes. Raffle tickets may be purchased on-line or in the Cafeteria at the same times and on the same days as the admission tickets. For complete details visit the WEB at [www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org) ;

Come to the Great American Melting Pot for food and refreshments or taste the out of this world Heritage Kettle Korn;

Hunt for that special treasure at The General's General Store; and

Volunteer if you can.

One Special note – Please be respectful of our neighbors near the school. No Parking signs will be placed on the residential side of Horner CT and along the side opposite the sidewalk of Kirkwood. Please respect these signs and help us to keep the traffic moving and the roads clear.

## **Help Needed : Set-up and Clean-up for the Mantua Carnival**

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up and clean-up for the Carnival. We will need a “ few good men ” to help with the set-up of the wooden booths on Friday, March 23 rd plus many other hands to help ensure a smooth set-up. Clean - up will begin right after the Carnival ends on Saturday, March 24. Remember that “ many hands make light work ” . Anyone who is interested or knows of middle or high school students who would like to earn community service hours, please contact Jeanne Baker at 703 207-9150 or [jbaker1964@cox.net](mailto:jbaker1964@cox.net) . Thank you in advance for your support.

**Desserts needed** for Mantua's Deaf/Hard of Hearing After School Program which is currently **EVERY** Wednesday until May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Desserts can be home made or store bought.

Desserts can be left in the front office.

## **Spring into action with the Mantua Carnival on March 24!**

- Volunteers are needed to work from 10:30 to 3:30 in the cafeteria. Please give an hour or so of your time and help out by serving food, taking tickets, scooping ice cream or a little of everything. Older kids looking for community service hours are welcome. Please look at your calendars and let us know when you will be coming. One hour shifts available.

- Calling all bakers! Donations of homemade cookies, muffins and cupcakes needed for the Mess Hall (cafeteria) at the carnival. Add your special touch to our carnival with your favorite treats from home. A table for donations will be set up in the cafeteria after lunch on Friday, March 23.

Please no nuts.

Questions or responses may be directed to Maggie Weddell at 703.272.8813 or [Magwood95@cox.net](mailto:Magwood95@cox.net).

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## GOT MULCH? ...Need Mulch?

Freshen up your flower beds and support the Woodson High School Leadership Class at the same time! Orders for 3-cubic foot bags of shredded hardwood mulch must be received by April 4th for pick-up at Woodson or delivery to your home on April 14th. The cost is \$3.50 per bag if more than 20 bags are ordered (must be picked up), \$4.00 per bag if more than 20 bags are ordered (delivered to your home), or \$4.50 per bag if 20 or fewer bags are ordered (must be picked up). For more details or for an order form, please link to the following:

<http://www.fcps.edu/woodsonhs/activities/mulchfl>

## Summer Enrichment Camp Fair

If you are looking for a camp that offers advanced academic or performing arts programs, nature or science programs, or a mix of those programs with sports and other traditional summer camp options, attend the Fairfax County Association for the Gifted Summer Enrichment Camp Fair on Tuesday, March 27th, from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM at Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road, Vienna 22181. The fair is free and open to the general public. It will include representatives from the Johns Hopkins University-Center for Talented Youth, Nysmith, TIC (Technology is Cool) Camp, Exploring Engineering, Fairfax Collegiate, Math Enrichment Services, Mathtree, Shenandoah Performs, Science Camp Watonka, Congressional School, Camp Rim Rock, Camp Horizons, Best Academy, Little Picasso and other summer programs. For more information, call 703-917-7960.

### **Alert News Contributions**

Send items via email to [alertnews@mantuapta.org](mailto:alertnews@mantuapta.org).  
Submissions are appreciated by the Friday before distribution.  
[www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org)

## Recycle! Recycle! Recycle!

MONEY FOR MANTUA WHEN YOU RECYCLE YOUR OLD PRINTER CARTRIDGES, CELL PHONES, PDAS AND LAPTOPS!

Don't forget to bring in those used ink jet or laser cartridges, cell phones, laptops, or PDAs from home or work and place them in the gray rubber maid container in the front lobby of Mantua school. Please contact Kevin Mangis at [kmangis00@yahoo.com](mailto:kmangis00@yahoo.com) with questions about the program.

## **REMINDER - RACCOON RUN T-SHIRT CONTEST ENTRIES DUE FRIDAY**

– Again this year Kids Care Club will help to support the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Raccoon Run to benefit INOVA Fairfax Life With Cancer. All submissions are due March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please use a white piece of paper, 8 ½" x 11" and use black and red ink only! Artwork must be original and somewhere you need to include: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mantua Kids Care Club Raccoon Run, Saturday, May 12, 2007, 5K, 1 Mile Fun Run. If your design is selected for the t-shirt, you will win a \$100 bank card! If you have any questions regarding the t-shirt contest, please call Joyce Montgomery at 703-323-5053. Please turn your submission in to the main office. This is a

**Providence District Dialogue:** Join Providence District School Board Member Phil Niedzielski-Eichner on Wednesday, March 21, from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Luther Jackson Middle School to discuss such topics as School Budget, No Child Left Behind, Potential Impact of Development on Providence District Schools, Community Use of School Facilities/Ball Fields/Synthetic Turf, etc. Luther Jackson Middle School is located at 3020 Gallows Rd. in Falls Church.