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Mantua PTA Alert News

March 23, 2010



Spring Carnival Wins Gold!

Many, many thanks to all the parents who made the Spring Carnival possible this past Saturday. The last week probably felt like an Olympic event for many of our coordinators who managed to plan Class Booths, put together baskets for the Silent Auction, sell tickets, and especially to all the sprinters who brought in cakes for the cake walk. The carnival couldn't have happened without the tireless efforts of our Carnival Chairs, who have been working since before the big snowstorm! Take a moment to show your appreciation to our Carnival Coordinators, Missy Greene and Sally Meyers, and let them know how much fun your children had!

Thanks for Talent Show Coordinators Jeri and Jason Gloege

The Mantua Talent Show went off without a hitch this past Saturday night through the efforts and support of a number of wonderful people! We, Jeri and Jason Gloege, want to thank all the kids and parents who participated and shared their wonderful talents with all of us. Also, we'd like to thank Jan-Marie Fernandez for MCing the event, Diane Peterson and Mary Elizabeth Sorenson for interpreting and Brian Collins for his technical assistance during set up and during the show. We'd like to especially thank Maribeth Luftglass and Teresa LeMair for all their help from creating the master file of music to helping run auditions, to finding volunteers, to helping set up and clean up all while juggling their own busy schedules. We'd also like to thank Melinda Burroughs and Monica Cameron for their balloon run, Lesley Kowalski and her two boys for running concessions for us all night, Megan Holtlander and Sabrina Hsu for selling tickets, Margaret and Scott Scheele for ensuring little folks were safe around the lights and the De Carlo family for all their help from set up, to helping backstage to staying late for clean up. We truly appreciate all of you and the time you've given to making the Talent Show a success.

We'd also like to note that the students don't just participate in the show. A number of them volunteer countless hours during rehearsals and the show to ensure everything runs smoothly. These students are Blake Phillips, Ethan Phillips, Eirik Iverson and Erica Dickison.

On a separate note, we'd like to correct an error in the program. Joseph Kim played Fur Elise on the guitar during Saturday's Talent Show. We apologize for our error.

Finally, we'd like to thank everyone who came to see the Talent Show and we'd like to

thank the PTA and this year's board for all their support for the Talent Show and other theater and arts programs in the school. We truly appreciate all you do!

Raccoon Run 10th Anniversary

ATTENTION STUDENTS, PARENTS, TEACHERS and STAFF!!!

The Carnival is over....

But the

Raccoon Run is just around the corner--

our 10th Anniversary!!!

Saturday May 8, 2010

Look for Pledge Program envelopes/Registration form in this week's Tuesday Folder. This is a great way to raise money for a wonderful cause. Once again, all our profits and donations will benefit Life with Cancer in memory of our Mantua teacher, Roberta Romano.

All are invited to an organizational meeting on Thursday, April 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the school.

On line registration is available at :<http://www.racepacket.com>

Contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper, jalcooper@aol.com, 703.966.8304 or

Joyce Montgomery,

mojody84@cox.net 703.323.5053 for more information.

Spring Foreign Language Classes

PTA-sponsored Foreign Language classes are starting in the Spring. The price is \$83. Please sign up at www.fcps.edu/aceclasses. Click the ONLINE Browse/Register button, choose Kids and Teens, Languages-FLEX. You can search on the Course number. The deadline is Mar 26th. If you have any questions, please contact Deirdre at deirdre.mayes@us.ibm.com or 703-477-8208. Make sure you sign up for the Mantua classes! Classes are limited to 15 students.

Course Number	Section	Class	# of weeks	Day and Time	Start Date	Grades	Level	Instructor
FP03108	0001	Sign	8	Mon 1:15 - 2:15	April 5	K-1	1	Mary Bagby
FP05408	0001	French	8	Wed 7:45 - 8:45	April 7	4-6	2	Joan Dugan

Attention Parents of Rising 7th Graders!

The Frost MS PTA has several vacant board positions and committee chair positions that will be open in the upcoming school year. We would love to have the parents of our rising 7th graders as part of the dynamic Frost PTA team! Read more about volunteer opportunities available at Frost MS for the 2010-2011 year at: <http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/2010FrostVolunteer.pdf>

Family Fun Night April 23rd

Clean your rooms and closets during spring break and collect those old books and toys. Get ready for a

Book and Toy Swap at the Mantua Market. PTA will host this family fun event on Friday, April 23rd from 7:00 to 9:00 in the cafeteria. Bring your gentle used books, comic books, magazines, board games, DS games, Pokemon cards, Legos, Hot Wheels, Webkinz, Beanie Babies, Polly Pockets, or whatever toy you would like to sell, trade or give away. Get ready to buy or trade items with someone else. It will be another Friday family night at school! Mark your calendars.

Summer Camp Suggestion

The PTA is collecting summer camp recommendations from our school families. You can view them here: <http://www.mantuapta.org/parents/summercamps.php> -- or reach them through the "Parent Resources" tab on the PTA website at: <http://www.mantuapta.com>. The page will be updated as new recommendations are received. Please email your recommendations to WebParent@mantuapta.org. (Note that the PTA does not endorse any of these programs, we are simply providing the information as a service to our families.)

Woodson Girls' Basketball Summer Camp, June 28-July 2

The annual Woodson Girls' Basketball summer camp will be held from 9am-3pm for for 8-14 year olds. Registration fee is \$175 for the 5 day camp session. More information here <http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/2010WTWGirlsBballCamp.pdf>

Rising 7th Graders: Frost Family Thurs, 4/8, 5:30-7:30

The Festival provides rising 7th graders and their families an excellent view of middle school life, featuring school tours, musical performances, classroom demos and other activities. Principal Marti Jackson and her team will be on hand for questions. The Book Fair will also be open in the library during the Festival. A casual dinner (pizza, salad, soda and dessert) is served in the cafeteria. Tickets for the dinner can be purchased at all lunch periods Mon 4/5 - Wed 4/7, or at the door. The Festival is also a fundraiser for the Frost PTA. The PTA provides volunteer and financial support for many of the programs at Frost Middle School.

Important Upcoming Events

MARCH

3/25 Heritage & Literacy Night

3/29-4/2 SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED during Spring Vacation

APRIL

4/7 PTA: Monthly Meeting, 7pm

4/9 Third Grading Period Ends

4/12 SNOW MAKEUP DAY-FULL DAY/RELEASE AT 3:35pm

4/23 PTA Event: Community Spirit "Family Fun Night"

Community Events

THINK GREEN! And Support W.T. Woodson's Cavalier Cruise through the Spring Flower and Vegetable Sale!

Cavalier Cruise is W.T. Woodson's 2010 all night drug- and alcohol-free graduation celebration.

Such an undertaking requires a full year of planning and lots of support from our local community. The WTW Spring Flower sale is a critical fundraiser to help meet the Cruise costs. In addition to all types of flowers and hanging baskets, this year's sale will also offer young vegetable plants (tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers) and an herb garden starter plants. Please show your support for the Cavalier Cruise by purchasing flowers, hanging baskets and vegetables plants from Woodson. Order forms are available on the PTSO web site at: <http://woodsonptso.org/> or by emailing sneads@earthlink.net. Deadline for ordering is April 9th; Saturday April 24th is the plant pick up date from 10am to 1pm at the front entrance to W.T. Woodson. Questions call Kathy Snead at 703-591-1197.

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