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MANTUA CARNIVAL 2010



Mantua PTA Alert News March 9, 2010



Please Help Make the Carnival a Success

Volunteers are needed for the School Carnival! Your help will be greatly appreciated! There are a few key tasks we need YOUR help to complete. Specifically we need :

- Volunteers to sell tickets 3/17, 3/18,and 3/19 in the school lobby 8:30-9 am and 3/19,7:00- 8:30 pm
- Cakes (store bought or handmade) for the ever-popular cakewalk
- Class booth coordinators for Anderson, Ariail, Hochstetler, Leonard and Greene
- Help with set up Friday, 3/19 4-6 p.m. and clean up on 3/20 3-5p.m.(Great opportunity for community service for older students!)

Please remember that each class has a Carnival Booth and Class Basket for the Silent Auction. Your Class Coordinators will really appreciate your assistance. The carnival is just around the corner-March 20th!

Please Contact Missy Greene -missyfay76@msn.com-703-426-1431 or Sally Meyer -smeyer824@verizon.net-703-273-3055

Updated Carnival Raffle Prize Information

An error was made in the listing of Raffle Prizes for the Carnival last week. Now you have proof that it is a parent and not a computer compiling all those Alert submissions! Please find the updated list below, and refer to the flier found in last week's Tuesday folder for complete details, or look online at <http://www.mantuapta.org/events/carnivals>

Be sure to thank our generous sponsors, especially Cherie and DonCurry, who were not mentioned last week.

2010 RAFFLE PRIZES:

\$500 CASH plus \$500 gift to Mantua PTA*** Judy Wonus, RE/MAX Allegiance

350 Best Buy gift card *** Bill Rakow, RE/MAX Xecutex, Realtors

Flip Video Ultra Series Pocket-Sized Digital Camcorder & Two \$25 iTunes gift cards *** Clay and Kathie Kime, RE/MAX Preferred Properties

Nano iPod *** Anne & Sarah Harrington, Long & Foster Realtors

\$150 Visa gift card *** Team Freiman - Morgan Stanley Smith Barney

Mountain Bike *** Carolyn Wilson, Long & Foster

\$100 Game Stop gift card *** Mary Thyfault Clark, RE/MAX Allegiance

JBL On Stage III Portable Loudspeaker Dock for iPod *** Cherie & Don Curry

\$50 Wegmans gift card

Mantua Talent Show is Finally Here!

Please come one, come all and support our talented students, parents and staff performing this Saturday, March 13th in the 10th Annual Mantua Talent Show, sponsored by the PTA! Doors open at 5:30 PM and the show begins at 6:00! Full concessions are available (pizza, candy, baked goods, and water!) starting at 5:30 and continuing throughout the show! Ticket prices are \$3 for adults (12 and over) and \$2 for kids (\$2 and under). All proceeds from the Mantua Talent Show will benefit the Mantua theatre programs and other programs in the school sponsored by the PTA. We hope to see you there!!

Message from the Office

Parents, we need your help. Recently the front office has been experiencing a large number of students arriving to school late. Please remember that students need to be at school by 8:55 a.m. to avoid being marked tardy.

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 19th. 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
FP08108	0009	Spanish	8	Mon 1:15 - 2:15	April 5	K-1	1	Fabiola Bustios
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

Mantua Basketball League Playoff Games This Week!

March Madness comes to Mantua: the championship games of the Mantua Basketball League playoffs will be this week. Game dates/times are below listed.

Wednesday, 3/10 6:30 3rd/4th grade girls

Wednesday, 3/10 8:00 5th/6th grade girls

Thursday, 3/11 6:30 3rd/4th grade boys

Thursday, 3/11 8:00 5th/6th grade boys

Volunteers Needed to Coordinate and Staff Class Booths

The carnival is almost here! Carnival booth coordinators are still needed for the following classes: Anderson, Ariail, Hochstetler, Leonard and Greene. This involves coordinating volunteers to man the class booth during the carnival. Please be sure to volunteer to help with your child's classroom booth during the carnival. The Spring Carnival is a huge undertaking: many hands make light work. Contact Kerry Hogg at 571-529-6426 or thefamilyhog@gmail.com

From Your PTA

FCPS School Board Approves Makeup Day Plan

The Fairfax County School Board has approved Superintendent Dale's recommendation to make up four instructional days lost due to inclement weather, which includes using Monday, April 12, as a makeup day for a full day of school and using June 23, 24, and 25 as makeup days to satisfy the remainder of the four-day deficit for schools following the standard calendar. SOL testing dates will not change. The Board also gave Dale approval to seek a waiver from the Virginia Board of Education for one of the makeup days and any additional days that may be missed for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year. Parents will be notified of the state's decision about the waiver. More details here: <http://commweb.fcps.edu/newsreleases/newsrelease.cfm?newsid=1371>

FCPS 2010-2011 School Calendar Released

Next year's standard school-year calendar has been released to the public here: <http://www.fcps.edu/DHR/employees/oec/schoolcalendarST10-11.htm>

PTA Bylaws Approved

Thank you to all members who came and voted last Wednesday to update our bylaws! The approved bylaws will be submitted for final approval by the Virginia PTA, after which they'll be posted on our website for future reference.

Did You Know...?

That the Virginia Department of Education releases previous versions of SOL tests to the public? If parents choose, they can visit the website and view/print those tests to help their children at home. The list of tests is conveniently broken down by release date, the by grade and subject:

http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/released_tests/index.shtml . Note: The PTA will permanently post this link on our website under the "Parent Resources" tab.

Important Upcoming Events

3/10 and 3/11 Mantua Basketball League Playoffs

3/13 Talent Show, 6pm

3/14 Cub Scout Pack #1533 "Blue & Gold Dinner"

3/20 PTA Event: Spring Carnival, 11am-3pm

3/25 Heritage & Literacy Night

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

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 website 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.

Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to alertnews@mantuapta.org.
Submissions appreciated by the Friday before distribution.

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Sincerely,
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