

Mantua PTA Alert News

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1. Auction Closes Tomorrow!

It's your last chance to bid on the Faculty Fun, Merchandise, and Restaurant categories on Wednesday, January 30th. After that, it will be going...going...gone until next year!

Visit the auction at www.auction.mantuapta.org or link to it from the PTA website. Categories close at 10:00 p.m. on 1/30/08.

2. Carnival Poster Contest Begins!

Mantua students, pre-school to 6th grade, are invited to enter the Carnival Poster Contest. Details are provided during the Morning News and in a Tuesday Folder flyer. Students must complete their own work independently at home and relate the poster to the 2008 carnival theme "Under the Big Top." Posters must be placed in the poster contest box located in the front office no later than Friday, February 15. Entrants receive 6 carnival tickets. Winners receive: 1st Place--20 tickets; 2nd Place--16 tickets; 3rd Place--12 tickets; Honorable Mention--8 tickets. Winners will be announced on the Morning News and on the Mantua website in late February. Questions: Contact Carol Davis @ EtchingsBridal@msn.com or 703.280.1024; Leslie Schiesl @ LSchiesl@Lycos.com or 703.280.9699.

3. Final Chance to Order Yearbooks!

We will be placing our final order to Irvin Simon for yearbooks for the 07-08 year. It is not too late to order one for your child!

Here's what you need to do:

Cost: \$25.00

Check Only: Check must be made out to: Mantua PTA

One check per yearbook! (2 books=2 checks; 3 books = 3 checks, etc.)

NO CASH

Deadline February 8th

Send in Envelope labeled:

Yearbook,

child's full name,

teacher

grade

Example:

Yearbook

Jane C. Doe

Ms. Walrath

4th Grade

Questions ????????

Please contact Maureen Pass moepass@cox.net or call 703 385 1004

*****DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 8TH*****

4. GT Referral Forms Due

GT Center Referral Forms for FCPS students due to Mantua on February 8th. Please visit www.fcps.edu/DIS/gt or contact Eva Bousbouras at Vaitsa.Bousbouras@fcps.edu for additional information.

5. Summer Enrichment Camp Fair – January 30th

On Wednesday, January 30th, the annual FCAG Summer Enrichment Camp Fair will be at Oakton HS, 2900 Sutton Road, Vienna 22181, from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. The fair will feature representatives from mostly-local camps that focus on academic, artistic, dramatic or other forms of summer enrichment, plus flyers from many other camps. The fair is sponsored by the Fairfax County Association for the Gifted, and is free and open to the general public. For more information, contact Louise Epstein at 703-917-7960.

6. Volunteer Spotlight: Jeri Gloege

Who is Jeri Gloege? Well, to put it simply, she is a mom – her daughter Drue is a third grader in Mrs. Kaplan's class – and this year's coordinator of the Share to Care Talent Show! When Jeri is not volunteering at Mantua, she works as a contractor for the Office of Personnel Management as a Technical Specialist working with the GoLearn program. She is also the systems administrator of GoLearn.gov, a website that provides online training to hundreds of thousands of government and military employees who are located all over the world. Jeri's entire career has been supporting initiatives to provide educational support and non-traditional training to adults, young and old. She's even going back to school to see if she can create a math model to project all the different ways a child can learn and the best, most cost-effective ways to support those different methods.

In her spare time, Jeri braves the weather to attend her daughter's soccer games, cheers for Duke Basketball, bakes a lot of cookies and tries to read one non-IT, non-math book a month "to keep herself sane". She is also addicted to magazines and reads everything from Real Simple to People to Popular Science to OK! Jeri's goals for 2008 are to finally make the perfect cup of coffee, spend more time doing silly things with her daughter and she vows to try really hard to not be snarky to UNC and Maryland fans during basketball season.

7. Hello, Mantua Korean Parents!

Several Korean parents who attended the PTA Volunteer Information meeting held at school last year decided to organize a group to insure all the Korean families are better connected to the school community. We have been putting together a directory with correct email addresses, setting up an internet cafe, and encouraging all to actively participate in upcoming school events. If you have any questions about volunteer opportunities and MantuaKoreanParents activities, please call Bonhee Ku (703-865-4548).

The Mantua Korean Parents' internet cafe is open. The address is [http:// cafe.daum.net/MantuaKoreanParents](http://cafe.daum.net/MantuaKoreanParents). Questions, answers and announcements regarding volunteer activities and school life will be posted here in Korean. If you have any difficulties opening the site, please call Young-mi Shim. (703-647-0181)

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