



# Mantua PTA Alert News

February 7, 2006

## Webmaster Wanted

*The PTA's webmaster will soon be moving on. Could you be the new webmaster? Why not!*

*For more information, please see the PTA home page, at [www.MantuaPTA.org](http://www.MantuaPTA.org).*

## District Reflections Contest Results

Congratulations to Joshua and Sarah Smoot whose photography entries were awarded Outstanding Interpretation Awards at the District Level. Their entries will now go to the State Level. Sarah also received a third place award -- Award of Merit -- for her visual arts entry. Congratulations also to Brette McPhilomy and Tessa Heller whose literature entries received a second place award -- Award of Excellence. Great job everyone!

**FLEX Foreign Language Classes** begin this week. Limited space still available in French, Spanish and Sign language classes. Confirmation notices are in today's Tuesday folder. If you registered your child for a class but did not receive confirmation, please contact Linda Halstead at [pajusihalstead@cox.net](mailto:pajusihalstead@cox.net) (preferred) or 703-503-5175.

## Carnival Poster Contest

All students, pre-school to sixth grade, are invited to enter the poster contest. Announcements will be made on the morning news and flyers will be sent home in Tuesday folders. Students must do their own work independently at home. Posters must relate to this year's carnival theme "Mantua Goes Hollywood". **Entries must be turned into the "poster contest box" in the front office by Friday, March 3rd.** All entries will receive 6 carnival tickets. First Place winners will receive 20 carnival tickets, second place gets 16 tickets, third place gets 12 tickets, Honorable Mention gets 8 tickets. All winners will be announced on Friday, March 10th. Contact Monica Cameron (359-4298 or [monica.cameron@cox.net](mailto:monica.cameron@cox.net)) and Leslie Schiesl (280-9699 or [LSchiesl@Lycos.com](mailto:LSchiesl@Lycos.com)).

## Classroom Carnival Help Needed

Carnival Class Booth Coordinators are still needed for the following classes: Bench, Bousbouras, Cajati, Fin-neman, Gasser, Graap, Greene, Griffiths, Knodel, Lee, Leonard, and White. If you can help with this important event, contact Mary Jo Kavjian: [kavjianpta@aol.com](mailto:kavjianpta@aol.com)

## Frost Family Bingo

The fabulous Frost Family Bingo is on Sunday, February 26th from 2-4:30pm. There will be a variety of fabulous prizes! Visit [www.frost-pta.org](http://www.frost-pta.org) and click on Bingo for the ticket order form. Tickets for 20 rounds are \$12 per person or \$35 per family if purchased in advance. (\$15 per person and \$45 per family if purchased at the door)

Refreshments and bingo card daubers will be available for purchase at the event. If you would like to donate a prize please contact Laura

## KIDS CARE CLUB:

**SHARE TO CARE TALENT SHOW** rehearsals are Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 – 5:30 for Act 1 and Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 – 5:30 for Act 2, on the stage. The show is on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6pm. For those of you submitting art work, please remember your drop off time for Saturday afternoon. Any questions, please contact Kristen Sarlo @ [ksarlo@aol.com](mailto:ksarlo@aol.com). There are over 50 acts performing this year so come out to share that great Mantua spirit. Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be available before the show and during intermission. (Doors open at 5:30.) If you are able to volunteer with set-up, backstage, or by sharing some baked goods, please contact Patti Taheri at [mpta-heri@cox.net](mailto:mpta-heri@cox.net) or Donna McGrath at [dsm721@cox.net](mailto:dsm721@cox.net).

Please check the lost and found – there are many winter coats, sweaters, gloves and lunch boxes waiting to be claimed. All items will be donated at the end of February.

## 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](mailto:Janet.Sottolano@fcps.edu)).

## Alert News Contributions

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