

October Events at a Glance

Wed 10/21, 7:30pm: MCA School Board Candidates Forum -- open to Mantua Elem parents (cafeteria)

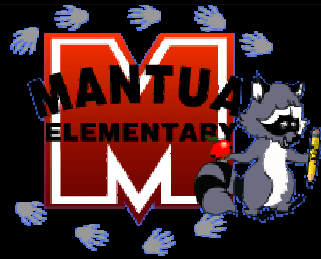
Thu 10/22, 6:30pm: Parenting Workshop, 1st Session (library)

Thu 10/29, 6:30pm: Parenting Workshop, 2nd Session (library)

Fri 10/30: Fall Classroom Parties (for most), School Spirit Parade

Fri 10/30: Reflections Art Program -- entry deadline

Fri 10/30: First Grading Period Ends



Mantua Elementary PTA

Family Fun Night a Success!

Around 150 participants came to the Family Fun Night. Look for more ways your PTA is working to serve you in the coming year.

A small pack of Pokemon cards was found at the Friday Family Fun Night. Please contact Kathleen DeCarlo at kdecarlo@verizon.net if they belong to you.

Please Volunteer TODAY to Help with the Mantua PTA Book Fair!

It is time to start the Volunteer search for the 2009 Mantua Book Fair. Proceeds from the Book Fair benefit the library. Volunteers are needed to assist with check out as well as set up and clean up. We are very flexible and greatly appreciate any time you are able to help. No experience is necessary. Just a few hours of your time can be crucial. Please think about your schedule and volunteer this week. Coordinating this event can be such an undertaking. Please contact Claire Fritzinger at 703-305-9033 or plntclaire@cox.net. Thank you for volunteering!

Here are the following dates and hours for the fair:

Thursday, November 12th, 12-4 for Set-Up

Friday, November 13th, 8:30-4:00

Monday, November 16th, 8:30-4:00

Tuesday, November 17th, 8:30-8:00 OPEN LATE!

Wednesday, November 18th 8:30-4

Thursday, November 19th, 8:30-4

Friday, November 20 8:30-12 noon ~then ~12-4 for Clean-Up



Reminder: Only PTA Member Families Receive a Student Directory!

Each PTA member family receives a Student Directory, so don't miss out on yours! If you still need to join, please either visit <http://www.mantuapta.org/about/membership/parentdb.php> to join online via PayPal (you don't need to log in to join), or put a check for \$20 (family membership) or \$10 (individual membership) made out to 'Mantua PTA', complete with your name and address, in the PTA mailbox at the office.

Questions? Email Shannon Murphy, Membership Chair, at shannon.murphy29@verizon.net. (Please note that we cannot guarantee Directory availability after we send our final order to the printer in October, which is based on the number of existing member families at that time.)

Mantua Citizens Assn. Invites Mantua ES Families to their School Board Candidate Forum on 10/21, 7:30pm

The MCA has graciously invited the families of Mantua Elementary to attend their Providence District School Board Candidate Forum this Wednesday in the Mantua Elementary cafeteria. All three candidates have been invited and are slated to speak briefly, then answer questions from the audience. Don't miss this chance to get involved with your school's interests!

Yearbook Orders

Parenting Seminar "Chaos to Calm" 10/22, 7pm at Olde Creek ES

Olde Creek Elementary is hosting a presentation by Sharon Weiss, a nationally known behavioral consultant who is known for her practical ideas presented with great humor. All are welcome, seminar is in the cafeteria.

Yearbook Orders

Did you order your yearbook ? Are you sure? If you did not receive an email confirmation or if you have questions regarding the order, please email: mantuayearbooks@gmail.com . Prices will change on December 1st. Order Today and Save. Order Online and Save \$2.00 visit www.Jostensyearbooks.com or Download the Order Form to Pay by Check.

Alert Contributions

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

Looking for a previous Alert? You can find them at
<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/alertnews/AlertNews.php>

For more information, please visit our website:

www.MantuaPTA.org

Sincerely,
Mantua Elementary School PTA



Community Events

Interactive Children's Concert at GMU/Center for the Arts on 10/24, 10am

Join Catina Sweedy and her stellar line up of woodwind virtuosos for an exciting and creative morning of music and art! This event will feature an Instrument Creation hour, and Interactive Concert where children can participate with the musicians, and an instrument "petting zoo" where kids and their parents can have a hands on experience with musical instruments and try them out. For more information, visit:

<http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/GMU-ChildrensConcert.pdf>