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# Mantua PTA Alert News November 2, 2010

### PTA Meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Please join your PTA board and school staff on Wednesday, Nov. 3, at 7 p.m. for the monthly meeting to discuss upcoming events and activities. It's a great way to stay in the know!

#### **PTA Membership**

Don't forget to join the Mantua PTA. Membership is \$10 for an individual and \$20 for a family. Each member will receive a copy of the ever-popular PTA student directory, which will be published soon. You can join online at <u>www.mantuapta.org</u>. You can pay using PayPal or send a check. Contact Shannon Murphy at <u>shannon.murphy29@verizon.net</u> or Liz Schatzman at <u>lschatzman@hotmail.com</u> with questions.

# Reflections Art Program Entries Due This Friday, Nov. 5 by 4 p.m.

Reflections Art Program entries are due this Friday, Nov. 5. Please make sure you have your student entry form and your parent consent form completed with your entry. Have your child create a piece of art, literature, photography, music, film/video or dance/choreography that addresses the 2010-11 theme of: **"Together We Can..."** All forms needed for entries, and the rules for each category are available on the Mantua PTA website <u>http://www.mantuapta.org/activities/index.php</u>. Additional entry forms are available on the front table in the lobby. Be sure to follow the rules exactly as stated, otherwise entries can't be sent to the district level. All participants will receive a ribbon. Place entries in the designated box near the PTA mailbox in the front office. Contact Jackie DeScisciolo at <u>idescisciolo@cox.net</u> with questions. Jackie will be at the drop off site in the office from 3 to 4 p.m. on Nov. 5, if help completing entry forms needed.

# Picture Day is Thursday, Nov. 11

Orders forms for pictures will be coming home in your child's Tuesday folder. Payment must be sent in with students on picture day. Please do not send late orders to school. Your child's photo will be taken for the yearbook whether you order or not. If orders were not submitted, a proof will be sent home when pictures come in. If you wish to purchase pictures then, you can order online, or send payment directly to Blanton Studios.

# Sally Foster Fundraising Drive Continues

Thank you to all the families who have been ordering Sally Foster on line. Go to <u>www.sallyfoster.com</u> to shop for the many new products, gift items, gourmet chocolates and gift wrap. Friends and family can order Sally Foster products and credit the sale to Mantua Elementary School simply by entering our school code **503978** at checkout. **Mantua will earn 40 percent of all online purchases**. Be sure to order no later than Dec. 1, to guarantee your holiday delivery. Contact Meri Farling at <u>merifarling@hotmail.com</u> with questions.

# Mantua's Book Fair -- Volunteers Needed!

Consider volunteering for Mantua's annual book fair is well underway. To make it a success, we need lots of volunteers. Beginning this year, volunteering is easier then ever. If you're able to volunteer, please go to

www.signupgenius.com/go/mantua to sign up. This will take you to a list of dates and times volunteer are needed.

Volunteers are needed for the following dates and times: Nov 11, set up 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Nov 12, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. first day Nov 15, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Nov 16, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., extended hours Nov 17 & 18, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Nov 19, 8:30 a.m. to Noon, pack up Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Contact Arielle Zabihi at <u>ajoy2beastar@aol.com</u>, with questions regarding volunteering at the Book Fair. All money raised goes to the purchase of new materials, books and equipment for Mantua's library.

#### Parenting Workshop

Neil McNerney, licensed professional counselor and family therapist, will

present the following workshop - Parenting with Purpose: Being a Powerful Parent While Keeping Your Cool - at Mantua on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. McNerney is a certified parenting coach and the director of training for The ScreamFree Institute. His workshop features the ScreamFree model developed by best-selling author, Hal Runkel, who's nontraditional parenting techniques help reduce stress and create positive family relationships. Registration forms will be in your child's Tuesday folder this week. For more information contact Margaret Scheele at Margaret Scheele@yahoo.com. Go to www.screamfree.com to register.

#### Important Upcoming Events

Wed. 11/3: PTA Meeting, 7 p.m. in the library Thurs. 11/11: Picture Day Fri.-Fri. 11/12-19: Book Fair Wed. & Thurs. 11/17-18: Thanksgiving Feast Days

#### Woodson Holiday Concert

The W.T. Woodson High School Band Department invites you attend Holiday Tunes for Tots Concert. The performances, which are geared to preschool and early elementary students, will be on Dec. 1 and 2, at 10 a.m. in the Woodson gymnasium at 9525 Main Street Fairfax, VA. There also will be an evening performance on Dec. 1, at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. Tickets are \$3 per person. All performances have handicap access. For more information contact Laurie McManus at HolidayTunesForTots@gmail.com, or at 703-352-7715.

#### Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to <u>alertnews@mantuapta.org</u>. Submissions MUST be received by the Friday before distribution in order to be included.

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