



Mantua PTA Alert News February 21, 2012



The PTA Online Auction is OPEN!

Mantua PTA's online auction has been moving full-steam ahead. There are still wonderful items left, including our most popular section - Faculty Fun! The final two sections, Faculty Fun and Good Eats, will be closing Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 10 p.m. All money raised goes to support our school. Visit <http://www.mantuapta.org/auction> to browse and bid. Bidding is very easy, with step-by-step instructions. PayPal payments and checks are accepted.

Mantua Spring Carnival is a Month Away

Help celebrate Mantua's 50th birthday at annual Spring Carnival on March 24, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wristbands will allow UNLIMITED play at all of the game booths, except the rock climbing wall and dunk tank. Come to the carnival and enjoy the cakewalk, bid at the silent auction, and play games. See how high your family can climb the rock wall or test their pitching arms at dunking teachers and principals in the dunk tank. With an expanded rock wall, a kiddie zone for children under 7, and prizes awarded at the game booths, there will be something for everyone!

Lower Wristband Price this Year!

Children ages 4 and under are free; children 5 and older are \$15 each, with a \$50 family cap. Also, the first 1,000 wristband purchasers to arrive at the carnival will receive a free drawstring bag, courtesy of Judy Wonus of ReMax Allegiance!

Mantua Carnival Poster Contest

The Mantua carnival is sponsoring a poster contest as its first event. Encourage your child's creativity for a chance to win a Five Below gift card. Each entry, which should be on poster board measuring 14"x22", must be a student's original work. Posters need to include the Mantua's 50th birthday carnival theme, as well as the

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carnival date and time (March 24, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Entries must be placed in the poster contest box in the front office by Friday, March 9, at 1 p.m. Students may only submit one poster. Make sure your child's name, grade, teacher and homeroom number are written on the back. Posters will be judged on the use of the carnival theme and creativity. Winners will be announced on GMM. Contact Michelle Collins at mmarcollins@gmail.com with questions.

Human Relations Committee

The next Human Relations committee meeting will be held Friday Feb. 24, from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in the library. Contact school counselor Teresa McConnel with concerns, or if you would like to attend the meeting. All are welcome.

Read Across America

Read Across America, the yearly celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday, will be held March 2. Beginning this year, Mantua will conduct an annual book drive. Consider donating a new or gently used book. Our goal is to donate 1,000 books to a local charity, which will then distribute these books to local schools and shelters. Book collection began Feb. 14, and it run through March 2.

Spring Box Tops Contest Update

Ms. Loach's class continues to lead the spring Box Tops contest having collected 860 labels so far. Ms. Loveday's class is in second place with 699 labels. To date, more than 6,780 labels have been collected. The contest runs for one more week. Continue sending in your labels marked with your child's teacher.

Colonial Day

Fourth Grade's Colonial Day will take place on Friday, March 16. Volunteers still are needed to help the day of as well as ahead of time with baking cookies and/or cornbread. Help is needed before school, as well as for half-day and lunchtime shifts. If you can spare a few hours, please volunteer [HERE](#).

A \$27 fee is required per student. Please send a check, payable to Mantua Elementary School with your child's name and teacher noted. Contact Kristin Driscoll at drikro1@yahoo.com with questions.

Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run's spring season at Mantua opens March 12. There will be two programs, both taking place on Mondays and Wednesdays immediately after school. Important dates:

Feb 21 - Registration Opens

Mar 12 - Spring 2012 Program Begins

May 20 - GOTR 5K

May 25 - Spring 2012 Program Ends

Contact Robert Silkowitz at Robert.Silkowitz@emerson.com with questions.

Important Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 8: PTA Meeting, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 9: Family Fun Night

Monday, March 12: Girls on the Run program begins

Friday, March 24: Spring Carnival, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Frost Middle School's annual bingo night is Friday, Feb 24, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the school cafeteria. All are welcome to play. Pizza and drinks will be sold and raffle prizes will be given away. The grand prize is a \$100 cash money tree. Advance tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students and staff. At the door, tickets are \$12 and \$9, respectively. Contact Monica Cameron, at 703-359-4298, for more information.

Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to alertnews@mantuapta.org.

Submissions MUST be received by the Friday before distribution in order to be included.

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