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#### **Important Upcoming Dates**

November 7: Deadline for Thanksgiving Luncheon Registration

November 12: Picture Make-Up Day November 14: PTA Meeting, 9:30 a.m.

November 14: AAP Information Meeting, 2:45-3:30 p.m.

November 14-21: Book Fair

November 20: Thanksgiving Luncheon Grades K-3 November 21: Thanksgiving Luncheon Grades 4-6

November 26: 2-Hour Early Release

November 27-28: No School, Thanksgiving Break

#### Picture Make-Up Day

Picture make up day is **Wednesday**, **November 12th** on the stage (from about 9:30-noon.) This is for students that may have been absent on picture day and/or would like their original pictures re-taken. Students should bring in the original picture packet and the photographer will take a new one.

#### **Book Fair Volunteers Needed**

Calling all Book Fair Volunteers! Mantua's Annual Book Fair is **November 14th-21st**. It takes many volunteers to help out, especially during the Thanksgiving Luncheons. Please check out our <u>Signup Genius link</u> to volunteer. Thank you!

## **Directory "Shout Out" Information**

There is still one week to submit a "Shout-Out" or advertisement in the upcoming Directory. For more infomation, go to <a href="https://memberplanet.com/s/mantuaelementaryschoolpta/2014-15membershipandsupport">https://membershipandsupport</a>. And, many thanks to our Diamond

Level winner of the back cover Sarah Harrington of Long & Foster. Questions? Please contact Monika Brenner.

# Volunteer MemberPlanet Administrator Needed

Interested in becoming more involved in PTA activities? The PTA is in need of a Volunteer Administrator for all activities related to our MemberPlanet site. The PTA uses MemberPlanet to send out our weekly Alert News emails, to collect registrations for PTA programs, to collect data for our annual directory, and so much more. This position is an integral part of the PTA Communications Team which includes our webmaster, Facebook administrator, Alert News editor and database coordinator. If you are interested or would like to learn more about the position, please contact <a href="Paige Rushing">Paige Rushing</a>.

## Yearbook Photos Needed

The Yearbook wants YOUR photos, and submission couldn't be easier! Just email them directly to <a href="mailto:mantuayearbooks@gmail.com">mantuayearbooks@gmail.com</a>. Add the teacher and event in the subject line, and you are done. Thanks for helping make a great yearbook!

#### **Box Tops Contest Class Winner**

And now for the class who wins the pizza party for bringing in the most Box Tops... it's **Mr. Wilson's class** with a contribution of almost 1,800 Box Tops! Thank you to all who participated in the contest. Mantua collected a total of over 17,600 Box Tops. The next Box Tops contest will be held in February. You can save your Box Tops until February, or if you have some Box Tops that will expire before then, submit them now to earn money for Mantua. Also, check out the <u>Box Tops for Education website</u> for more information, or contact <u>Adrienne Sullivan</u>. Thanks again for participating, and congratulations to Mr. Wilson's class!

#### **AAP Information Meeting at Mantua**

An Advanced Academics Parent Information Meeting will be held at Mantua Elementary School on Friday, November 14th, 2:45-3:30 p.m. in room 5. The Advanced Academic Resource Teacher, Eva Bousbouras, will provide information about levels of service at Mantua, as well as explain and answer questions about the screening processes for Level IV services. The meeting is open to all parents of general education students in grades 2-6.

#### Woodson Musical Opens This Week

I'm dreaming of a....That's right! The Woodson High School production of the family-friendly classic musical White Christmas is just around the corner. The singing and dancing in this one are amazing! Buy your tickets now to ensure the best seats. Opening night is Friday, November 7th at 7:30 p.m., with Saturday matinee and evening performances. There will be a special Sunday matinee on November 9th at 2:00 p.m. where tickets for active military and veterans are FREE. The show runs through November 15th. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to www.wtwdrama.org.

#### Woodson High School Craft Show

The 22nd Annual Holiday Happenings Craft Show is **Saturday**, **November 8th** from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at W.T. Woodson High School. This exceptional show features juried handmade arts and crafts. They offer a diverse selection that includes: fine arts, jewelry, fiber arts, wood, photography, pottery, gift ware, pet accessories, stress relief items, and hundreds of holiday collectibles/decorations. Enjoy some holiday shopping while supporting local vendors. Admission is FREE for shoppers. The Woodson Crew team is organizing the craft fair, and proceeds go to support the team.

## Scouting for Food

The local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from Troop and Pack 1533 are implementing the Scouting for Food program in the Mantua neighborhood. This event collects canned food donations on behalf of the Capital Area Food Bank. On Saturday, November 1st, Scouts should have delivered a grocery bag to every house throughout Mantua. The bags are labeled *Scouting for Food*. On **Saturday**, **November 8th**, Scouts will canvass the neighborhood, retrieving filled bags and other food donations. Please have your donation outside your front door early in the morning. Collection will begin by 9:00 a.m. Your generosity and support of this program will be greatly appreciated. For more information, please visit this website.

## Thank You to Our Friends of Rocky!

Thanks to all who made a "Friends of Rocky" Donation – the PTA appreciates your support!

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