



COUGAR CLIPPINGS

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October PTA Events

- 10/3** Reflections early bird deadline for entries (free ice cream!)
- 10/8** KES Annual All American Run and CHILI Cook-off
- 10/18** PTA Board Meeting
- 10/20** Cultural Arts Assembly
- 10/21** Reflections Final Submission Deadline
- 10/27** Book Fair/Family Night

Volunteers of the Month

Congratulations to Kim and Joe Moss, our September Volunteers of the Month for organizing and hosting our upcoming All American Run! Your American and Kingston Spirit shines as you administer to all of the important details in making the All



American Run such a great success!

Congratulations to our Welcome Tea Team comprised of Cindy Rodman, Michelle Garrison, Kara Deihl, and Molly Wilson. Your warm smiles and delicious treats were a delightful welcome to our new Kingston families!!!!



Reflections Contest: Monday, October 3 is the early bird deadline for entries (free ice cream!) This year's theme is "Diversity Means.." How can you capture diversity, using photography, visual arts, film, literature, dance, or musical composition? Be creative, and prepare your own original work. Some rules for displaying and saving your work have changed, so please read the rules for your particular category carefully! Final deadline is October 21. Entry forms and rules can be found on

www.ptareflections.org/cs/about_reflections



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

The Carnival is Coming, October 8, 2011 @ 10a-2p following the All-American 5k run by BEACH FORD. The Kingston Carnival is featuring fun full excitement for preschool to 5th graders. There will be prizes for games played; inflatable's to jump on, dunk tank for teachers and staff, displays of fire trucks and ambulances along with fire clowns, and Mcgruff the Crime Dog. Make over's for girls with hair braiding and nails designs. This year's carnival will have a Photo Booth to capture our picture perfect moments. Let's not forget the Pumpkins to decorate. Admission wrist bands are \$5 for all outdoor activities and pumpkins \$4. Presale will be 3 weeks before event and day of.

Volunteers are always needed; please contact

Christine Barnes Carnival Chair,

cmbarnes74@verizon.net. Save the date and bring a friend to All-American 5k Run and Kingston Carnival October 8, 10a-2p. Thank you for your support of Kingston PTA

Volunteers Needed

Kingston Families: The Beach Ford All American Run wouldn't be possible without all our great volunteers. If you (or a family member) would like to help by being a race monitor, neighborhood liaison, sell T-shirts at lunch or before school, or help with setup or cleanup, please contact **Susan Smith at gm.smith@gmail.com**

T shirt sales and registration helpers needed October 3-7, 8am-8:30 am, or 11am-1pm. Please email Susan Smith to sign up for a shift.



NEW
THIS
YEAR!!!

We are beginning an exciting new tradition at the Carnival this year. The (First) Annual Kingston Cup Chili Cook Off! Bring your best Chili to the Gym by 10:30 on Carnival Day and compete for the coveted Kingston Cup Ladle! Carnival-goers will be able to sample a variety of the Chili entries and vote for their favorite. The winner will be presented with the Kingston Cup Ladle and have bragging rights until next year! In addition to the best Chili around we will have our usual Carnival favorites: Chick-fil-A, Zeros Subs, CiCi's Pizza, Krispy Kreme Donuts and delicious home baked favorites like brownies, cookies, and cupcakes. Don't miss out on any of the great food available at the Carnival.

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Cultural Arts Corner

The Kingston PTA Cultural Arts Committee is busy at work on the upcoming schedule for the year's daytime programs. Programs already booked include a water conservation show in October, and "The Oliver Hill Story" for Black History Month. Stay tuned for more exciting news on future shows! Questions? Contact PTA Daytime Assembly Chairs, Lisa Patton (486-4077) or Jenn Echea (498-1391)

Library Volunteers Still Needed

If you or someone you know would like to get involved for a few hours every other week, we would love to have you. A few morning and several afternoon shifts are available. If interested, please contact

Wendy Briggs @ 961-1295 or mp5588md@yahoo.com.



Next Cougar Clippings Issue

Cougar Clippings is published in electronic format twice per month and posted on the Kingston PTA website. The next issue will be posted on www.kingstonpta.org on Saturday, October 15. Please e-mail any submissions by Tuesday, October 11 to modarling1@hotmail.com. You can also reach PTA Cougar Clippings chair Kitrian Meagher at kitriandy@msn.com or 486-1820. Each issue will be filled with important PTA and school information, announcements of upcoming events, programs, and student achievements. To be notified when published, please provide your e-mail address on the KES Directory form found on the PTA website and send it in to the school.

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**COMING
SOON!**

Fall Family Bingo Night is Coming! Friday November 4th at 6pm come and join our Kingston family in the cafeteria for a night of dinner and bingo! Take home great prizes and a lasting memory with your child. Stay tuned for more information to follow! Also we are accepting gently used toys, games, stuffed animals, etc.... to be given away as some of the prizes. Please contact Nancy Stephenson if you are willing to help donate and or volunteer at Raspyrob@yahoo.com or 498-1838.

Save the date for Friday December 2nd at 6pm. Its Winter Family Movie Night! We will be watching a movie the students choose. More information to arrive! If you are willing to volunteer for the evening or would like more information please contact Nancy Stephenson 498-1838

Kingston Cougars are Healthy Cougars.....Come and have a work out of a time on Friday Jan. 20th. Mr. Clements along with Jim White personal training, will be hosting a fun filled high energy evening for the whole family!!!

All of these wonderful nighttime programs are in part are brought to you by the PTA! For more information about Night time family programming, please contact [Nancy Stephenson @ raspyrob@yahoo.com](mailto:NancyStephenson@raspyrob@yahoo.com). Thank you!

Information From Kingston's GRT's

Courtney Schafer & Sandy Whitney, Gifted Resource Teachers

Elementary and Middle School options?

Please note the testing dates below and contact us with any questions you may have.

TEST DATES 2011 - 2012

- Oct. 7 1st Quarter Testing (MPR)
- Dec. 6 2nd Quarter Testing (MPR)
- Jan. 12 1st Grade Screening (1st Grade classrooms)

SAVE THE DATE: PARENT WORKSHOPS

All parents are invited!

Oct. 24. Executive Functioning: Developing the CEO Within (Time management/organization skills/Resisting impulses/Focusing...

Dec. 12 5th Grade Application Process and an overview of Middle School Options (KLMS, MYP, Virginia Beach Middle for Art students