

KMS February Newsletter 2017



Students of the Month

Congratulations to Katie Sturgeon, Karlee Judy, Jacob Taylor and Gus Forester. They received a gift card compliments of PTO. Keep up the great work!

8th Grade News

The 8th grade students at Kenton Middle School are completing their final fundraiser for the year.

The donations will help offset costs for Washington DC, end of quarter rewards and a possible small excursion for the students not attending the DC trip. Your son or daughter should have brought home tickets for the carry out Baked Steak dinner. The dinner will include Baked Steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll with butter, cookie and water. If you did not get a chance to purchase a ticket, please contact the school at 419-673-1237 to see if any more are available. The dinner will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2017 in the Kenton Middle School cafeteria from 4:30-6:30 PM. The cost per meal is an \$8 donation.

The students and staff at KMS have been busy raising funds to help with the additional cost of the DC trip due to a shortage of bus drivers. The 8th grade staff did a bake sale during the KMS Christmas Concert and raised \$230! In

February, students were able to pay \$1 to use technology one day during activity period, wear a hat another day and donate money to get a chance to pie a teacher. The students who donated to pie a teacher in the face had the chance to do so on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. Every 7th grader who participated was drawn to pie one of the top five teachers. The majority of the 8th grade participants were drawn as well to pie a teacher. Each teacher took three pies, except the winning teacher, he took four pies. Students had fun cheering on other students and their teachers as well. Great job by the KMS students and staff for having such a successful fundraiser raising \$520.50!

The final DC payment is due Wed., March 15. We have raised over half the cost of the extra hotel night so far. We would like to thank the staff and students of KMS who

participated in the above fundraisers and the following businesses and individuals for donating to the trip: Dr. Kate Johnson, John and Vickie Krock, Quest Federal Credit Union, Golden Giant and Robinson Fin.

Band News

On February 15th, band students will be attending a Traditional Chinese Music concert in the KMS auditorium. The opportunity to host this world music group from China was brought to us by ONU, and we are very excited to provide this experience for our students!

Congratulations to the following Middle School Band students for being selected to attend some special performance events: Grace Collins and Owen Styer will be a part of the OMEA District III Honors Festival and Noah Ketcham, Caleb MacKenzie and Rylee Messenger will be participating in The Ohio State University Middle School Honor Band. Keep up the good work, everyone!

The 8th grade Pep Band Night and pizza party is on Friday, February 17th at 6:30 P.M.

Student Council and Upstanders News

Student Council will be sponsoring a dodgeball tournament on Friday, March 3 after school. The cost will be \$10 per team to enter a team of 10 players and prizes will be awarded to the top 2 teams. Admission to watch the dodgeball tournament if students are not on a team will be \$1. There will be a concession stand open. More information will be coming in the next week.

Upstander groups are working on an Improvement Grant that was awarded to KMS thanks to Mr. Frey, organizing Hoops for Heart events and Easter week fun activities.

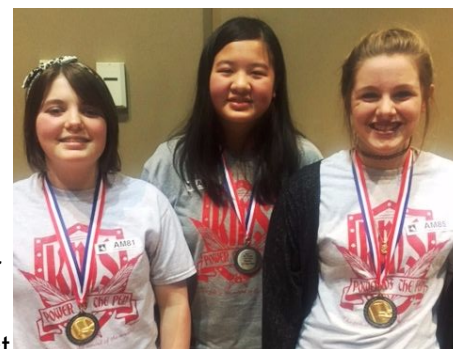
Dates to Remember

- 2-17 No School Teacher PD
- 2-18 Baked Steak Dinner 4:30-6:30 P.M.
- 2-20 No School Presidents' Day
- 2-21 Winter Sports Awards at 6 P.M.
- 2-22 PTO Meeting at 6 P.M.
- 3-6 First Official Track Practice at 3:30



Power of the Pen

On January 28th the Kenton Middle School Power of the Pen Team traveled to Tiffin Middle School to compete in the district writing tournament. Thirteen schools from Northwest Ohio competed in the event. The tournament consisted of three rounds of writing in which students were presented with a prompt and given 40 minutes to create a complete story. Kenton was represented by 7th grade scored writers Addy Modd, Helen Huang, Nicole Martinez, Zach Heintz, Mitch Jennings and Alana Coon. 8th grade scored writers were Ryenne Caudill, Brady Klesmit, Claire Bailey, Owen Styer, Lenore Kohl and Kate Mendez. Both grade levels also were represented by shadow writers Kylie Allmon, Lauren Bartlett, Tristan Meeks, Zane Preston, Taylor Harshfield, Emma Clum, Britton Bell, Keegan Wright, Myranda Archer and Ashlynn Fischmann. The two teams were very successful this year and both placed 4th at their respective grade levels. Individual winners were Helen Huang (Best of Round and 11th place overall for 7th grade), Claire Bailey (11th overall 8th grade), and Lenore Kohl (7th overall 8th grade). A special thank you goes to Darrell and Shannon Allmon, Matt and Marcy Jennings and Jamie and Deb Bartlett for their donations to the team.



Students that scored in the top 50% of writers qualify for the regional tournament at Lourdes College on March 8th. Those students are: Addy Modd, Helen Huang, Mitch Jennings, Alana Coon, Ryenne Caudill, Brady Klesmit, Claire Bailey and Lenore Kohl. Mrs. Krock & Mrs. Stout would like to congratulate all writers on doing a great job!

Robotics Team on to State



This past weekend the KMS Robotics teams competed at North Union Middle School. Congratulations to all five teams who participated in this event. Each team registered points in 5 qualifying rounds of the event by placing 2nd, 21st, 26th, 28th and 37th out of 39 teams. In the round robin tournament two of our teams qualified, and the team of Logan Hurt, Ace Baum and Ethan Tucker finished runners up. Congratulations to this team for qualifying for the State of Ohio Championship Tournament which will take place on March 10.

7th Grade News

The 7th grade students completed the first of two fundraisers (Nature's Vision) for their trip to the Heartland Outdoor School (May 3-5). Many students took advantage of this fundraiser to offset the cost of the trip (\$150). Our next fundraiser will be in March. We will be doing a raffle where each student will sell raffle tickets and receive 100% of the profit. Students should look to take advantage of this opportunity. We don't want anyone to miss out on this educational, fun-filled trip.

Also remember that we do reserve the right to refuse to take any student whom we feel would not participate and behave properly based upon experience at school. Please support us and help us to emphasize the importance of academic responsibility and good behavior at school so that your child can enjoy the Heartland Camp experience. At a later date, we will have an informational meeting with an administrator from the Heartland Outdoor School. Thank you for your cooperation and support of our camp field trip. Please let us know if you have any questions about the trip.

NJHS News

Congratulations to the following officers: Erin Lyons- President, Jarrett Jolliff- Vice President, Anna Longbrake- Treasurer and Lenore Kohl- Secretary.

NJHS hosted a Valentine's Dance on February 10. Our students did a great job with their behavior and looked fantastic as many of them dressed up. NJHS members will be meeting soon to decide where the proceeds of \$176 will be donated.



Yearbooks

If you haven't ordered a yearbook yet, pick up an order form from Mr. Bartlett.

Students will not be able to attend class trips until all outstanding fees & balances are paid in full!