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KING PHILIP PARENTS' NETWORK NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the first edition of the KP Parents' Network Newsletter!

We are excited to share with our members and the King Philip community our achievements as well as goals for this school year.

We have had a busy summer and fall and expect the rest of the school year to be productive as well.

Planters -

You may have noticed the beautiful planters at the high school entrances when you drive into the school. During June and July, the KP Parents' Network helped organize the donation of perennial and annual flowers for the planters. The flowers were planted and maintained by students in the KP Links program who are developing skills in the area of landscaping, grounds and maintenance. We were honored to help these inspiring young students transition to the world of work. We want to thank Wal-Mart, Home Depot, and the members of the Norfolk Garden Club for their generous support.

Picnic Tables-

Thanks to last year's membership donations as well as several successful fundraisers, we were able to purchase four picnic tables for use by students, teachers, and community members. These were installed outside the cafeteria in late August with the help of parent volunteers and facilities staff. We hope to purchase and install a few more picnic tables next summer.

Membership Drive -

Our membership drive continues and we hope to encourage more KP families to join. Currently about 15% of all KP families have returned membership forms. Families can join at any time so spread the word! Membership donations as well as fundraising efforts support programs and activities for *all* KP students.

Membership forms can be downloaded from our website:

kpparentnetwork.org

Please return completed forms to:

**King Philip Parents' Network
201 Franklin Street
Wrentham, MA 02093**



Hypnotist Show -

In October, the KP Parents' Network hosted professional hypnotist and comedian Jim Spinnato. The show was a huge success and a hilarious night for the audience. Many thanks to the brave parents and community members who volunteered to be hypnotized. Audience members commented they couldn't remember the last time they laughed so hard! We want to thank all the bakers, volunteers, middle school maintenance staff and sound and lighting technicians for all their help and support. We also want to thank Eagle Brook Saloon, The Tavern at Wrentham, and Mr. Dooley's Irish Pub for generously donating 10% of meals that night to the KP Parents' Network. Most of all, thanks to the attendees for coming out on a Tuesday night and supporting the KP Parents' Network.

Don't worry if you missed the show—we hope to bring back Jim Spinnato next year.

Enrichment Committee -

The KP Parents' Network has recently formed an Enrichment Committee to support and expand educational initiatives at the high school. We are looking for more parents to share ideas. We are open to suggestions and we need your energy! Parents of underclassmen, this is a great opportunity to get involved and make a difference at the high school. We have a new administration and fresh ideas are welcome.

Father/Daughter/Special Person Dance -

Save the date! The KP Parents' Network cordially invites all King Philip High School girls to the annual Father/Daughter/Special Person Dance. Girls may bring their father, stepfather, grandfather, uncle, older brother, etc., but no boyfriends, please! The dance will be held from 7 - 11 p.m. on Friday, February 8, 2013 at Lake Pearl Luciano's. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$60 per couple. Enjoy a memorable night filled with dinner and dancing. A professional photographer will be available. Tickets go on sale starting December 4, 2012 during lunch in the cafeteria.

Tickets make a great gift for the holidays!

All Night Party Kick-Off Meeting –

The All Night Party is a 23-year-old tradition at King Philip designed to show our graduates how proud we are of them and to keep them safe on the night of graduation. We will be holding our kick-off meeting on January 15, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the KP High School Library. This is the only formal meeting we will be holding, so please make every effort to attend. All KP parents are invited to attend this meeting to learn more about this event. Parents of underclassmen are especially welcome and encouraged to attend. Don't wait until your son/daughter is a senior to get involved.

HOLD THE DATE: January 15, 2013 7:30 p.m. – KP Library

April 2013 Clothing Drive -

We are planning a clothing drive in April, 2013. Please keep us in mind as you clean out your closets. We will be looking for gently worn clothing and blankets. If you cannot wait until April, contact us at kpparentnetwork@gmail.com and we will arrange for an earlier pickup/drop-off time.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The next KP Parents' Network meeting will be held on Thursday, January 17th, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room (Room 339) next to the cafeteria. There will be no meeting in December.

For more information about any of our initiatives or ways you can help, contact us at kpparentnetwork@gmail.com or check out our website: kpparentnetwork.org.

*We wish all KP families a wonderful holiday season
and
a happy, healthy new year.*