

# The Valley View

**LICKING VALLEY  
LOCAL SCHOOLS**

David Hile, Superintendent

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## ***Licking Valley Local Schools Calamity Days***

Although Licking Valley School District has gone to a school year based on hours, we set our hours to include 5 calamity days just as in the past, thus, just as in the past, if we utilize 6 or more calamity days we will have to make them up. The District did this to protect student instructional time.

### ***The District has used eight (8) calamity days.***

Monday, November 17  
Thursday, January 8  
Monday, January 12  
Monday, January 26

Tuesday, February 17  
Thursday, February 19  
Friday, February 20  
Tuesday, February 24

### **The District has also had five days of a 2-Hour delayed start time:**

Tuesday, January 6  
Friday, January 9  
Friday, January 30

Monday, February 2  
Thursday, February 5

***Based upon Policy 8210 the Licking Valley School District will make up two days of missed instruction on March 30th and March 31st, the first two days of Spring Break and the third day on June 3rd at the end of the school year.***

***Spring Break will be April 1st, 2nd, 3rd.***

### **Contingency Plan For Make-Up Days**

If make-up days are needed, this is our contingency plan based on Policy 8210:

1st priority - The spring Parent-Teacher Conferences Comp. Day (02/13/2015) and/or Presidents' Day (02/16/2015), if applicable.

2nd priority - the first two days of Spring Break will be utilized (3/30/2015-3/31/2015).

3rd priority - days will be added to the end of the school year (beginning 06/03/2015).

**Licking Valley Athletic Boosters**



All proceeds from this event will benefit projects supported by the Athletic Boosters for the benefit of Licking Valley athletes.

- . Silent Auction
- . Live Auction
- . Dinner Catered by **THE GRILL**

**15th Annual  
All Sports  
Dinner & Auction**

**For Tickets or to Donate:  
740-281-4344      740-334-8236**

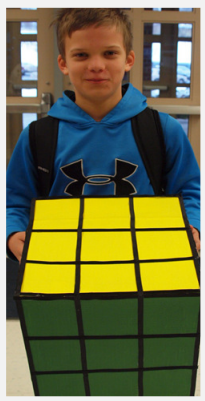
Tickets available in the athletic director's office or from any booster member.

**Date: 4/11/2015**

**Time: 4:00 pm**

Doors open at 4 pm, Dinner begins 5:00 pm  
Live Auction begins at 6:00 pm

**Dinner Tickets  
\$15.00**



The Primary and Intermediate School had Valentine's day parties on Friday, Feb. 6th. The students were very creative with their Valentines and boxes .....



# Attention Licking



## Valley Parents!



Do you have a child coming to Licking Valley Kindergarten in the Fall?

(child must be 5 years old by August 1st)

We will begin taking appointments for Kindergarten Clinic on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We ask that all incoming Kindergarten students register. Please call 763-2865. Notice the new location and times below!

Kindergarten Clinic Date:

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** from 8:30-3:30

at Licking Valley  
Primary School







Let us help you get  
your child...

# READY!



Classes for LV Parents  
with Infants  
(born after 7/31/13)  
Toddlers  
& Preschoolers

## Licking Valley Parents/Caregivers Register for Classes NOW!

By attending class you will receive:

- \* **TRAINING** on how children learn and grow!
- \* **FREE BOOKS** to help with learning!
- \* **FREE "TOOLS"/ TOYS** to make learning fun!
- \* **FREE CHILDCARE** for children 12 months or older while you attend classes

*(Note: Parents/Caregivers in the 0-1 class may bring their infant to class)*



### SPRING CLASS DATE:

Saturday  
April 11, 2015

Babies and toddlers are born learning.  
Getting ready for school starts at birth!

Classes will be held at:  
LV Primary Elementary School,  
1510 Licking Valley Rd. NE, Newark

### Class Time Schedule:

- 9:30-10:00 - Orientation for first time parents  
(Materials will be distributed)
- 10:00 - 11:30 **READY!** Classes for all parents



**Register for Classes by Calling: 763-3525**

If you have any questions, email us at:  
**ready4k@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us**



## Licking Valley High School Spring Musical

### Little Women

April 17 & 18 7:30 PM

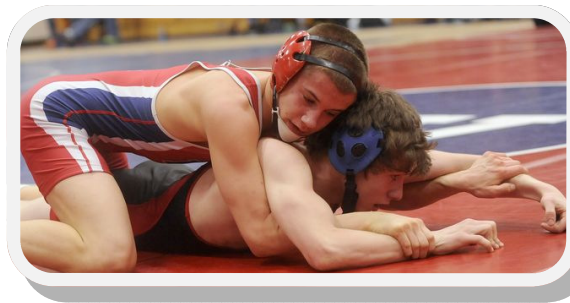
Tickets are \$8.00

Tickets go on sale March 13th at the HS

Children 5 and under are free. Call 763-2275 or email [myersj@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:myersj@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us) to reserve your seats.

## Licking Valley Wins the LCL Tournament, Kurt Snyder, The Advocate Photos by Sara Tobias, The Advocate

Licking Valley's stars took care of business Monday night, February 23rd but the rest of the Panthers made the difference in putting Valley back on top in the county.



The Panthers had five champions win the Licking County League title on their home mats. Valley finished with 347 points, ahead of Watkins Memorial's 309 and Utica's 264. Defending champion Granville, competing with a small roster, was fourth with 202.

Valley was wrestling without returning state qualifier Ethan Fout, who is out with an illness. The Panthers, who were

Mid-State League-Ohio Division champions from 2009-12 and county champions from 2009-11, more than made up for the absence, placing eight in the top three of their class.

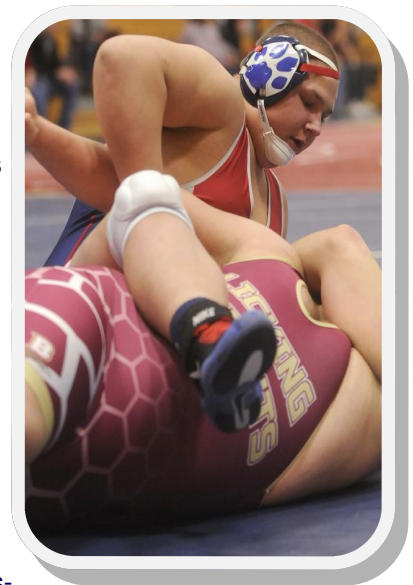
"It was pretty impressive," Valley sophomore Jake Martinez said. "Our team wrestled really well. (Coaches Jeremy Tate and Roy Whisner) were telling us to set goals for ourselves and made us bust our butts."

Martinez (138) had three pins and a technical fall before beating Johnstown's Hayden Bullard 19-7 in the finals. Jaqui VanMeter (Hwt.) pinned three of his four opponents to win.

"Oh my gosh, it feels so awesome," VanMeter said. "We were worried about (Watkins) the whole time, and we found out Utica had only one weight class missing so we were worried about them."

Addison Fogle (106) opened the finals with a victory against Utica's Max Seifert, Gunner Carpenter (120) had two pins before beating Northridge's Forest Belli 20-8 in a battle of talented freshmen, and Garret Robinson (182) had a first-period pin of Newark Catholic's Connor Sheehan in his final match.

"Last year we knew it was going to be really hard to win it with not having five weight classes," VanMeter said. "This year, when we found we had a couple people sick, we just kicked it into high gear. We won a lot of key matches today, and I think that's what won us the tournament."





# career connections

Research has shown that parents and family members have the greatest influence on a child's career decisions. Strengthen your influence by building Career Connections at home using these examples.

## GRADES K-5\*

Begin to have short talks at home about work and jobs that include why doing well at school is important. Encourage your child to think about what he or she might want to do in the future.

Share books together that show different jobs. Talk about examples in your family and community that connect to the story.

Consider taking your child to work and share with them the jobs at your workplace and the types of tasks you do on a regular basis. If this isn't an idea that works for you, consider a relative or family friend who may be able to take your child to work.

Participate in a career fair or present to your child's class by sharing what you do for work, what things you were interested in as a child and helpful tips for anyone interested in your career field.

## GRADES 6-8

Begin to talk with your child about strengths and interests. Consider asking "what are the things at school you enjoy most?" and "what things do you feel you do really well?" Share your own experiences and strengths.

Share websites or books with your child that focus on career interests or personal strengths. Talk about things you enjoy doing and things you're good at—either at work or in your personal life.

Visit the OhioMeansJobs K-12 website with your child to discover career interests and explore various pathways. Begin discussing options for the future such as high school programs and career goals.

Begin to talk about scheduling for high school. Review graduation requirements and explore what classes your child's school offers.

## GRADES 9-12

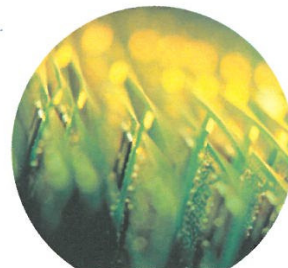
Begin to talk about career pathways and explore possible elective classes that your child's school offers. Review your high school's graduation requirements and the classes your student is interested in.

Revisit OhioMeansJobs K-12 and review the education and training requirements for careers of interest. This information will be helpful when choosing training programs and college majors.

Talk with your child's counselor and teachers about:

- Career exploration opportunities such as job shadowing, volunteering, mentoring, youth-apprenticeships, co-ops and internships;
- Earning college credit in high school through dual enrollment, career tech programs and advanced placement; and
- Financial aid options such as grants, scholarships and loans and completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Consider keeping a calendar or timeline with important dates and deadlines, such as application due dates and scholarship deadlines.



*\*Examples for K-5 also are helpful across Grade 6-8 and 9-12.*

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**ATTENTION JUNIORS!!!**

**Application deadline: Monday, March 16th at 2:30 pm.**

**APPLY NOW TO NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY!**

**Application Instructions:**

- 1) Make a local copy of the [Application](#), save it to your drive. Complete the application, print it off and turn it in to Mrs. Leah Myers by 2:30, on March 16th, 2015.
- 2) Complete all parts of the application including:
  - Service Learning Hours
  - Character Reference form completed by a teacher/coach.
  - Character Essay.
- 3) Turn in the completed application by March 16th, 2015 by 2:00 pm.

**(TYPED APPLICATIONS ONLY. DIGITAL APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED).**

Applications, instructions and frequently asked questions can be found on the National Honor Society website:

<http://goo.gl/IQRbJc>

(This link is case sensitive)

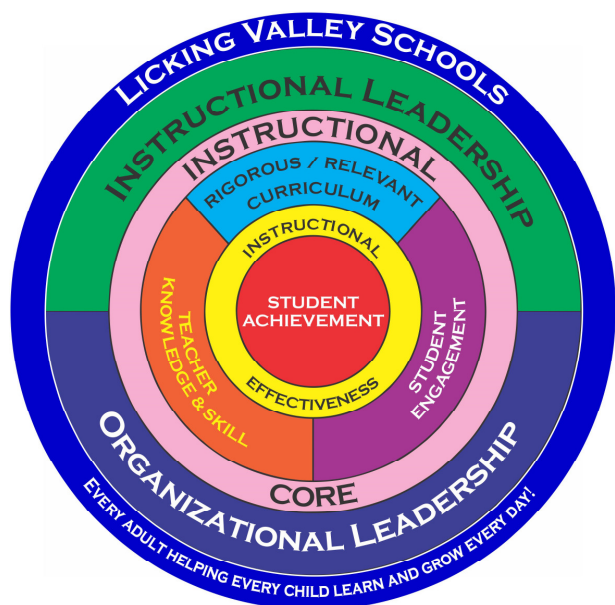
The induction ceremony is scheduled for Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m..

# New Educational Options Program at LVHS

We are excited to announce that under our Educational Options Policy, the Licking Valley Schools is launching a new **Educational Options program**. This program will provide new and exciting opportunities for all LVHS students. We have partnered with ACE Digital Academy, an online curriculum and education provider to offer up to 200 online courses to our high school students. This program is designed to meet two basic needs. One need is to help the roughly 7% of our students who do not graduate each year. Many of these students are, for one reason or another, unable to succeed in the traditional high school instructional program and environment. This online option will provide them with an **alternative to the traditional high school** program and give them another avenue to earn their Licking Valley High School diploma. We would like to bring back to Licking Valley our students who are currently enrolled in other online, community and charter school programs, and students who have dropped out of LVHS but who really want a diploma from Licking Valley High School. If you know a former LV student who didn't graduate, please share this information with them. Licking Valley currently loses almost \$350,000.00 annually to community and charter schools such as Newark Digital Academy when our students drop out and enroll in those schools, and the vast majority of them never acquire a diploma of any kind.

The other need is to offer **additional internet-based elective courses** to all of our students. These electives include various foreign languages such as French, German, Japanese, Latin and Mandarin Chinese. There are also electives such as art history, business and technology, Microsoft Office Software courses, career exploration and various Advanced Placement (AP) courses not currently available at the school. There is also an online ACT Preparation course available through this program. We will also be able to offer **credit recovery** and **summer school** courses through the Educational Options program!

If you are interested in Educational Options, either to complete your high school diploma or for the elective options, please contact **Mrs. Aimee Twiggs**, Licking Valley High School teacher and Educational Options Coordinator, to take advantage of this exciting new educational opportunity. Mrs. Twigg's email address is [twiggsa@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:twiggsa@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us). You may reach her by phone at 763-3721.







From the Licking Valley Middle School

Revised Testing Schedule

- Thursday, February 26—6th/7th PBA LA II (90)
- Friday, February 27—8th PBA LA II (90)
- Monday, March 2—6th PBA LA III (60)
- Tuesday, March 3—7th PBA LA III (60)
- Wednesday, March 4—8th PBA LA III (60)
- Thursday, March 5—6th PBA SS (75)
- Friday, March 6—8th PBA SCI (75)
- Monday, March 9—7th PBA M I (80)
- Tuesday, March 10—6th PBA M I (80)
- Wednesday, March 11—8th PBA M I (80)
- Friday, March 13—7th PBA M II (70)
- Monday, March 16—6th PBA M II (70)
- Tuesday, March 17—8th PBA M II (70)



Music In Our Schools Month

Concert

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

7:00 P.M.

High School Auditorium



The Licking Valley Ski Club has had an amazing year and the skiers/boarders have had some of the best conditions in many years. The last group trip is Friday, February 27, 2015. The students' passes are good till the end of the season if they wish to on their own.

Mr. Hageman and Mrs. Myers would like to thank all the parents and students for another great season.

## Eighth Grade Gettysburg Trip

The final deposit for the trip is March 13, 2015. There are still a few spots available if you are planning to attend and have not submitted any deposit. Time is running out and we need to finalize numbers with Lakefront Lines and pay our final bill. Rooming sign-up sheets will be passed out to the students in about two weeks and we ask to have at least one adult and three students signed up for a room. If you are going as a chaperone and have not verified your fingerprints with Laura at the District Office yet, please call her soon to get your fingerprints done. Her number is 763-2911. Also, all adults that are going need to print and fill out an emergency medical form for themselves and send it into school for Mr. Hageman. The forms can be found on his web page under the Gettysburg 2015 tab. His web page is:

[hagemanhistory.weebly.com](http://hagemanhistory.weebly.com) We are in the process of interviewing the students that turned in applications to be one of the four who will place a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns, we hope to have the four selected by mid April. Remember the dates of the trip are: **May 3, 4, 5, and 6, 2015.**

If you have any questions please email or call Mr. Hageman: [hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us) or 763-3396. We look forward to another great educational trip.



Abraham Lincoln

Gettysburg Address

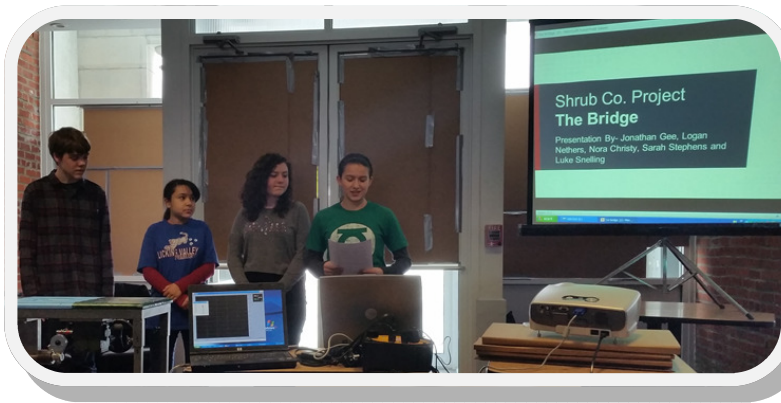
November 19, 1863





On February 21, four teams from Licking Valley Middle School STEM Club took part in STEMfest at the Works in Newark. The Works in Newark sponsors an event for Middle School and High School students each year called STEMfest in an effort to connect industry, education and community. STEMfest is centered around Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics and provides students with real-world problem solving challenges and materials and encourages teams to find the best solutions.

Students present their solutions to a live audience and panel of judges. Awards are presented to teams with top honors, and all students receive certificates to add to their career passports. STEMfest allows students to gain valuable insight into future careers and participation can even lead to wonderful internship opportunities with local businesses.



The Panthers of London Team consisted of Meghan Nelson and Ellie Nethers. Shrub & Co. consisted of Logan Nethers, Nora Christy, Sarah Stephens, Luke Snelling, and Jonathan Gee. The Architecture teams were challenged to research and construct the best possible bridge using toothpicks and glue. The Panthers of London built a bridge holding over 34 pounds and won the Architectural Aesthetics award. Both teams did a tremendous job with their bridges and presentations.

The Piggy Pro Team consisted of Josh Green, Ashton White, and Mason McWilliams. The Solar Power team was challenged to use cardboard, tape, paint and other everyday items to construct the most efficient Solar Thermal Heater to heat a room.

The Piggy Pro Team consisting of Josh Green also entered the 3D Printing Challenge. Teams were challenged to design an egg that would hold 3 Starburst candies and withstand the most weight. Josh designed and constructed an egg that held over 300 pounds and took 1<sup>st</sup> Place for his innovative design!

Josh Green was also nominated for the Persistent Scientist Award for diligent work on his projects. Several other students from around the county were nominated as well. Of all the applicants, Josh was chosen as the 2015 Middle School Persistent Scientist. Congratulations to Josh!



All STEM Club members should be very proud of their hard work. They will continue to work on challenges throughout the year to build their knowledge of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Congratulations to all teams on a job well done!

The Middle School STEM Club is coached by Carissa Smith, Gifted Teacher.

# It

is hard to believe we are nearing the end of the 2014-2015 school year. If you have not yet paid your student's school fees, please do so as soon as possible.



Fees are posted on the grade cards. If you are not sure what your student's fees are, please contact the school to find out and to make any arrangements needed to pay fees.



The EZPay system is a great way to pay your student's school fees and lunch account. Parents can access the system by going to:

[www.edline.net/pages/licking\\_valley\\_local\\_sd](http://www.edline.net/pages/licking_valley_local_sd)

Click on the Parent tab and choose EZPay online.

## Attention Parents!

Do we have your current information such as the following?

- ◆ Phone number
- ◆ Cell phone number
- ◆ Address
- ◆ E-mail address
- ◆ Updated custody information

In the event of questions or an emergency it is important that we have the most current data.

Please call the building secretary at your student's respective school to update your information.

Primary ES	763-2865
Intermediate ES	763-2031
Middle School	763-3396
High School	763-3721

### Licking Valley Local Schools

#### 2015- 2016 Open Enrollment Application

The 2015-2016 Open Enrollment applications are now available on the district's web site or in any of the buildings' offices. [www.lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](http://www.lickingvalley.k12.oh.us)

Under Parent tab choose Student Enrollment Information and then the 2015-2016 Open Enrollment application. The Open Enrollment guidelines are also available.



### BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

The Licking Valley Local School District is looking for sub bus drivers.

All applicants need to fill out an on-line Ohio Reap application at: [www.ohreap.net](http://www.ohreap.net)

Please contact Mickie Archer, Transportation Supervisor at 740-763-3525 for more information.



*Once Upon a Dream*  
**HOMECOMING/ PROM DRIVE**

Sponsored By:

**LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

**Sunday April 15th 2:00 - 5:00 pm**

Licking Valley High School  
100 Hainsview Dr.  
Newark, Ohio 43055



For More Information Contact:  
Leah Myers (Advisor)  
(740)763-3721

Haylie Schmoll (President)  
(740)349-1997  
[onceuponadreamdrive@gmail.com](mailto:onceuponadreamdrive@gmail.com)

Once Upon a Dream provides formal wear to girls and guys for their Homecoming and Prom. Through donations of new and gently used young ladies dresses, shoes, jewelry, and purses, along with mens dress shirts, pants, ties, tuxedos and shoes, we are able to turn dreams into realities for High School Freshman through Seniors all over Licking County and Beyond. Even more than an outfit, Once Upon a Dream provides an unforgettable, amazing experience that helps build confidence and beauty in every child that walks through the door. Our mission is to have them leave knowing that they are very special and deserve to have their dream come true. This first drive was extremely successful due to the positive support from the community and generous donations so this will be our second event. Be a part of someone's dream!

**Want to make someone's dream come true? You can help by donating:**

LADIES

Gently Used or New Formal Dresses  
(long or short Prom or Homecoming,  
bridesmaids dresses, or any formal gown)  
Formal Shoes  
Formal Purses  
Formal Jewelry

MENS

Black Dress Pants  
Dress Shirts  
Dress Shoes  
Tuxedos  
Ties

Monetary Donations

LOOK FOR DROP OFF BOXES AROUND TOWN AND AT LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

# Mom and Son X-Treme Fun Event

Calling all Moms and Sons! You've heard of the Daddy/Daughter Dance, but we know some boys aren't up for dancing. Moms and Sons come out for our x-treme fun event. We have planned laser tag, hamster ball races and other interactive fun! (Mom not available? Grandmas, Aunts or other adult female loved ones are welcome to be an escort)

## **Event Info:**

**Date:** March 15th

**Time:** 4:00pm-6:30 pm

**Location:** Licking Valley High School

**Ages:** K-5th Grade boys

**Price:** \$30 Mom & 1 Son Admission

\$10 for each additional child

**\*Note: Space limited to the first 150 paid registered boys**

Registration confirmation will be sent via email to the email address you provide on the registration form. A leader alert message will be sent out to inform you when the event is full.

## **Your registration fee includes:**

- Pizza
- Drinks
- Laser Tag
- Hamster Balls



Please see the reverse side of this document to complete the registration form!

**DEADLINE: MARCH 6TH (LIMITED TO 150 BOYS)**

# Mom and Son

## X-Treme Fun Registration

Sunday, March 15, 2015 from 4:00-6:30pm

*This event is intended for young men who attend Licking Valley Elementary School in grades K-5*

*\*Note: Space is limited to the first 150 paid registered boys*

*Registration Deadline: March 6th*

Name of Adult Attending the Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Child/Children Attending:

Child #1(included in the \$30 cost): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Adult Attending Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Child #2 (add \$10) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Adult Attending Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Child #3 (add \$10) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Adult Attending Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include this registration form and payment (checks payable to Licking Valley High School Yearbook) in an envelope labeled "Mom/Son Event" to your child's classroom teacher.

	<b>TOTAL COST:</b>
<b>MOM &amp; CHILD #1: \$30.00</b>	_____
<b>CHILD #2: \$10.00</b>	_____
<b>CHILD #3: \$10.00</b>	_____
<b>CHECK #</b> _____	<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED:</b> _____