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## COLUMN ONE

### The Six Things Every Child Wants to Hear

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I was recently reading some articles on the internet and came across this one by Tim Elmore. You can check out his website at [growingleaders.com](http://growingleaders.com). I thought, "I wish I had read that about 12 years ago when my son was just starting out in Kare. I might have done a few things differently." I decided to share it in the Interleaguer in the hope that someone would find it helpful as I did.

#### **What We Should Say When Our Kids Perform**

*The most liberating words parents can speak to their student-athletes are quite simple. Based on psychological research, the three healthiest statements moms and dads can make as they perform are:*

*Before the Competition:*

1. Have fun.
2. Play hard.
3. I love you.

*After the competition:*

1. Did you have fun?
2. I'm proud of you.
3. I love you.

#### **Six Simple Words...**

*For years, I wondered what the student-athlete would say about this issue. After decades of work with athletes, Bruce E. Brown and Rob Miller found out. They suggest six simple words parents can express that produce the most positive results in their performing children. After interacting with students, they report: College athletes were asked what their parents said that made them feel great, that amplified their joy during and after a ballgame. Their overwhelming response: **"I love to watch you play."***

*That's it. Those six words. How interesting. How liberating to the parent. How empowering to the student-athlete. No pressure. No correction. No judgment. (That's the coach's job). Just pure love of their child using their gift in competition.*

When I thought about it, I knew he was right. I really do love to watch them play...most parents do, and when I shared the article with my kids at home they all agreed (probably a little too enthusiastically). Of course, I still can't sit still during a game, but at least now, I don't have to think about what I am going to say to my kids when the game is over.

**Check out the standings at [kyl.org](http://kyl.org) and click on "Standings".**

### The Mouse That Roared From Paul Harvey: Part 2

"All right," Mrs. Beneduci continued, "Abraham Lincoln was our sixteenth President. He was..." Then she stopped, as though she were listening to something. "What's that?" asked the teacher, half to herself. "Who's making that noise?" The puzzled classmates looked at each other. Steve sat quietly. "I hear something like scratching...it's very faint," said Mrs. Beneduci. "It sounds like a mouse!"

The little girls screamed. Some stood on their chairs with the speed of ascending lightning. "Calm down, everyone," said the teacher. "It's nothing to get excited about. Steve, will you help me find the poor little creature?" Steve sat straight upright in his chair, brightening considerably. "OK," he said. "Now everybody be quiet!"

In the sudden stillness Steve cocked his head, hesitated for a moment, and pointed slowly to the wastebasket. "He's right over there!" said Steve proudly. "I can hear him!" And so he was, a frightened little gray mouse. He had been discovered by little Steve Morris, whom nature had given a remarkable pair of ears in compensation for having denied him eyes since birth.

So the class settled back to business. And the little gray mouse became a mascot. In the heart of small, unsighted Steve, a pride was born...and that pride is with him still. After the incident, Mrs. Beneduci would continue to encourage the talent that the whole world now knows and respects, and she always reminded Steve of the little gray mouse that once made its home in a wastebasket...by accident?

In time, the marvelous ears of Steve Morris gave popular music something to be proud of...a singer-composer-musician-producer with five Grammys in 1975. For, once upon a time, a little mouse roared...gave a small boy confidence...a small boy known now as Stevie Wonder.

# KARE YOUTH LEAGUE GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

## Schedule for Saturday, March 29

### GREAT START DIVISION

Eagles vs. Colts	11:00	A-4
Steelers vs. Cowboys	12:00	A-4
Grizzlies vs. Lions	11:00	C-1
Bucs vs. Panthers	11:00	U-1
Tigers and Jaguars Bye		

### C DIVISION

Falcons vs. FSU	12:15	U-1
Kentucky vs. UNC	1:15	A-4
Georgia Bye		

### B DIVISION

Falcons vs. FSU	1:30	U-1
Kentucky vs. UNC	2:30	A-4
Georgia Bye		

### A DIVISION

Falcons vs. FSU	12:30	U-2
Kentucky vs. UNC	12:30	A-2
Georgia Bye		

### AA DIVISION

Falcons vs. FSU	10:45	U-2
Kentucky vs. UNC	10:45	A-2
Georgia Bye		

### AAA DIVISION

UNC vs. Georgia	9:15	C-2
Falcons vs. FSU	2:30	Ontario

### PAC 12 B DIVISION

<b>Friday, March 28</b>		
Oregon vs. USC	5:30	C-2
<b>Saturday, March 29</b>		
UCLA vs. Arcadia	4:00	C-2

### PAC 12 A DIVISION

Cal vs. USC	1:00	A-3
UCLA vs. Stanford	1:00	C-2

### Kare Youth League Handbook

When space provides, we plan on using this section to refresh everyone on items in the **Kare Youth League Family Handbook**. Below is the "Fan Code of Ethics: Part One".

### Fan Code of Ethics

Parents and fans agree to follow these guidelines of behavior:

- 1) Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, leaders and officials at every game.
- 2) Place the emotional and physical well-being of the children ahead of a personal desire to win.
- 3) Refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and profanity at all activities.

## Schedule for Saturday, March 29

### ROYAL FRIENDS

**Arcadia-Covina** – T-Ball Lessons from 9:00-10:30. Bring your own glove with your name on it.

**Upland** – The Upland Royal Friends come Friday from 5:00-6:15 for softball.

### KARENAS

Bobcats vs. Seminoles	9:00	A-2
Tarheels vs. Jaguars	9:00	C-3
Coyotes vs. Falcons	9:00	U-1
Dalmatians Bye		

### PAC 5 B DIVISION

#### Monday, March 24

Hawks vs. Eagles	5:45	A-2
Panthers vs. Ravens	6:00	C-3

#### Saturday, March 29

Cougars vs. Ravens	9:00	U-2
Hawks vs. Panthers	2:15	A-2
Huskies vs. Ranthers	4:00	A-2
Eagles Bye		

### PAC 5 A DIVISION

#### Monday, March 24

Hawks vs. Eagles	4:15	A-3
Panthers vs. Ravens	4:15	C-2

#### Saturday, March 29

Eagles vs. Panthers	11:00	A-3
Ravens vs. Huskies	11:00	C-2
Hawks Bye		

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Pearl Prep Campus Tours** every Friday morning by appointment.

**Rio Hondo Prep Jr. High Band in Hawaiian Gardens Parade** on Saturday, April 5.

**Rio Hondo Prep Open House** on Thursday, April 10.

**No Regular Kare Activities** from Thursday, April 17 to Tuesday, April 22.

**Pearl Prep Open House** on Thursday, May 1.

**No Regular Kare Activities** from Saturday May 24 to Monday, May 26.

**Mount Kare Open House** on Saturday, May 24.

**Kare Youth League Baseball/Softball Championships** on Saturday, May 31.

**Kare Circus** on Friday, June 5 and Saturday, June 6

## Schedule for Saturday, April 5

### ROYAL FRIENDS

**Arcadia-Covina** – T-Ball Lessons from 9:00-10:30. Bring your own glove with your name on it. **Upland** – The Upland Royal Friends come Friday from 5:00-6:15 for softball.

### KARENAS

Coyotes vs. Dalmatians	9:00	A-2
Seminoles vs. Jaguars	9:00	C-3
Bobcats vs. Falcons	9:00	U-2
Tarheels Bye		

### PAC 5 B DIVISION

#### Saturday, April 5

Cougars vs. Ranthers	2:15	U-2
Eagles vs. Ravens	3:00	A-2
Panthers vs. Huskies	3:00	C-3
Hawks Bye		

#### Monday, April 7

Hawks vs. Huskies	6:00	A-2
Ranthers vs. Panthers	6:00	C-3

### PAC 5 A DIVISION

#### Saturday, April 5

Hawks vs. Ravens	1:00	A-3
Panthers vs. Huskies	1:00	C-2
Eagles Bye		

#### Monday, April 7

Huskies vs. Hawks	4:15	A-3
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### GREAT START DIVISION

Steelers vs. Jaguars	11:00	A-4
Lions vs. Tigers	11:00	C-1
Panthers vs. Grizzlies	11:00	U-1
Colts vs. Cowboys	12:00	A-4
Bucs vs. Eagles	12:00	U-1

### C DIVISION

#### Thursday, April 3

Kentucky vs. Georgia	4:15	A-4
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#### Saturday, April 5

Falcons vs. Georgia	1:15	U-1
Kentucky vs. FSU	1:15	A-4
UNC Bye		

### B DIVISION

#### Tuesday, April 1

Kentucky vs. Georgia	5:00	A-4
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#### Saturday, April 5

Falcons vs. Georgia	2:30	U-1
Kentucky vs. FSU	2:30	A-4
UNC Bye		

### A DIVISION

#### Tuesday, April 1

Kentucky vs. Georgia	5:00	A-2
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#### Thursday, April 3

UNC vs. FSU	4:30	C-3
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#### Saturday, April 5

Falcons vs. Georgia	12:30	U-2
Kentucky vs. FSU	12:30	A-3
UNC Bye		

### AA DIVISION

#### Wednesday, April 2

Kentucky vs. Georgia	5:00	A-2
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#### UNC vs. FSU

4:30	C-3
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#### Saturday, April 5

Falcons vs. Georgia	10:45	U-2
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Kentucky vs. FSU	10:45	A-3
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#### UNC Bye

### AAA DIVISION

#### Wednesday, April 2

Georgia vs. FSU	5:15	A-3
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UNC vs. Falcons	5:15	C-2
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#### Saturday, April 5

Falcons vs. Georgia	2:30	Ontario
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FSU vs. UNC	9:15	C-2
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### PAC-12B

#### Friday, April 4

USC vs. UCLA	5:15	C-2
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#### Saturday, April 5

Oregon vs. Arcadia	4:15	Ontario
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### PAC-12A

#### Thursday, April 3

UCLA vs. Cal	5:15	C-2
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#### Saturday, April 5

Stanford vs. USC	3:00	A-3
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