



# Take Five!

Kokanee PTA's Monthly Newsletter

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PTA SECRETARY

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Welcome Kokanee families!

My name is Karen Houret and I am your PTA Secretary this year! I have two boys here at Kokanee - my third grader, Jackson, loves to read, play



sports, and everything Minecraft! My second grader, Ethan, loves math, science, sports, and Nerf-gun battles!

rewarding, fun year! We have the privilege of working with the most amazing talented teachers & staff, as well as a passionate volunteer force! We encourage all of our parents, grandparents & friends to become members of our Kokanee PTA! There are many opportunities that our school could benefit from...we are a growing family & could use your talents and expertise! Please join us and make a difference for our Kokanee students!

If you have any questions, please email us and we will respond promptly. On behalf of our Executive Team, we want to wish everyone a successful year of growth and learning. Please remember to keep checking our PTA calendar for upcoming events and follow us on social media on our Kokanee PTA Facebook page. We look forward to becoming familiar with all of our family members and having a great prosperous school year!

Karen Houret  
PTA Secretary

### PTA EXECUTIVE TEAM

Co-Presidents: Raksha Mendonca  
Prajinesh Jayan  
Vice-President: {open position}  
Secretary: Karen Houret  
Treasurer: Susan Carr

Contact information can be found at  
[www.KokaneePTA.com](http://www.KokaneePTA.com) or  
Kokanee Elementary PTA



We moved here last year from New Mexico, so our family went through many transitional changes.

Our move to Kokanee and Northshore School District has been amazing! We felt so welcomed by the school---the incredible staff, the students, the PTA, and Kodiak community! My hope for this year is to support our students, strengthen school resources, and foster the same "welcoming" attitude to all of our new and continuing Kodiaks!

### WILL YOU JOIN ME?

Our PTA has already been hard at work preparing for another productive,

PLEASE JOIN US  
**PTA Fall General  
Membership  
Meeting!**



**Tuesday, October 9  
@ 6:30 pm  
Kokanee Library**



# THANK YOU

## PTA OPEN HOUSE SUCCESS!

Big thanks to all who attended the PTA Open House on September 21st! We appreciate your support and interest in programs sponsored by the PTA. We are dedicated to create a positive and welcoming community for our kodiaks.

# SOCK-TOBER COSTUME DANCE

Join us on Friday, **October 26<sup>th</sup>**  
@ 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm



Bring a pair of **NEW** socks to donate to NSD's clothing bank, Threads & Treads! Celebrate and Support "Sock-tober"!

## CANDY BUY BACK PROGRAM

On November 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, bring any wrapped unwanted candy from Halloween. For every pound of candy received you will receive a dollar coin.



All candy collected will be donated to our Troops overseas!  
Sponsored by Neal Smiles!



### \* CLIP AND STICK \*

Remember to send in your Box Tops by **October 19<sup>th</sup>**.  
Print a collection form (or two!) on KokaneePTA.com {look for the Box Top logo}

Thank you  
TINA FOREHAND  
for chairing this project!



## KODIAK SAFETY CORNER

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. Here are some safety tips to keep everyone having fun!

**Walk Safely!** Cross the street at the corners, teach kids to make eye contact with drivers before crossing, don't walk between parked cars

**Always Trick or Treat with a Trusted Adult.**

**Keep Costumes Creative and Safe.** Use reflective tape, use face paint instead of masks, carry glow sticks or a flashlight.

**Drive EXTRA safely on Halloween.**

Kids are excited, they are not always thinking clearly. Be aware and always expect a child to pop out at any moment. Slow down and stay alert.



## OPEN POSITIONS!

There are several open positions available on the PTA Board & various committees.

We'd love to have you join us! Find out more at the General Meeting or contact us at [info@kokaneepta.com](mailto:info@kokaneepta.com).

- \* PTA Vice President
- \* Sponsorship Chair
- \* Grants Chair
- \* Awards Chair



## KODIAK CALENDAR

Look for up-to-date information at [KokaneePTA.com](http://KokaneePTA.com)

Monday, 10/1	8:00 - 8:45 am	1st Day for 5th Grade Band @ Leota Middle School
Tuesday, 10/2	8:00 - 8:45 am	1st Day for 4th & 5th Grade Orchestra @ Leota Middle School
Tuesday, 10/2	4:45 - 5:45 pm	1st Cross Country Meet @ Canyon Creek Elementary
Tuesday, 10/9	6:30 pm	PTA General Membership Meeting @ Kokanee Library
Friday, 10/19		Fall Box Top Deadline : Collection Sheets to your Teacher
Friday, 10/26		Picture Day {See Mrs. Johns for volunteer opportunities.}
Friday, 10/26	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Sock-tober Costume Dance @ Kokanee Gym
November 1 & 2		Candy Buy Back Program {Send candy labeled with student name.}
November 12	No School	Veterans Day
Nov 14 - Nov 21	Early Release	Elementary Conferences {Early release for elementary only.}

