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**Next Council Meeting**  
**April 27**  
**KSD Board Room**

**Agenda:**

Smooth Transitions  
Presentations by  
Stand for Children and the KEA

## President's Message

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Once again our Founder's Day "Fiesta" was a huge success! From the wonderful Mexican food, the awesome scholarship baskets (*good job local units!*), the music provided by the Kent Meridian Jazz Band (*thank you Mr. Roller and Jazz Band members*) and last but not least all of our local unit award winners and attendees who made this event a success. It was great to have everyone who works so hard all year long in the same room networking and getting to know each other. I would like to extend a special "Thank You" to the Founders Day Co-Chairs Toni Troutner and Hallie Knudson and the Scholarship Basket Co-Chairs Dana Tate and Pam Rumer. Thank you for the time you spent to make this a fun and memorable event while raising funds for our senior students.

At the February 23<sup>rd</sup> Kent Area Council General Membership Meeting we held elections for the 2009-2010 KAC Executive Board. I would like to congratulate and thank the following for accepting the call to serve on next year's board.

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As you hold elections for next year's officers, please go onto the WSPTA website and enroll your new officers. If you have any questions on how to do this please contact your Area VP or myself. We are here to help you.

I look forward to seeing you at our April 27<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting. We will be discussing smooth transitions and also having presentations by Stand for Children and the KEA along with our regular committee reports.

Look for members of the Kent Area Council Board at convention. We will once again be hosting a lunch on Friday for those attending convention from Kent. Invitations will be handed out at the General Meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Have a wonderful month!

**KAC Founders Day**  
*Congratulations Award Winners*

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These outstanding individuals were recognized at Founder's Day Dinner on March 27.

Local Unit Awards

**KENTWOOD STRAND**

Meridian Elem	Lori Waight	Golden Acorn
Meridian Elem	Kim Seiber	Golden Acorn
Park Orchard	Susan Coffman	Golden Acorn
Sunrise Elem	Karen Fisher	Golden Acorn
Sunrise Elem	Laura Huether	Golden Acorn
Soos Creek	Lisa Underwood	Golden Acorn
Covington Elem	Katrina Alegado	Outstanding Educator
Meridian Elem	Courtney Tomfohr	Outstanding Educator
Park Orchard	Charlotte Balza	outstanding educator
Soos Creek	Mark Friden	Outstanding Educator
Soos Creek	Julie Cantrell	Outstanding Educator
Sunrise Elem	Mary Stueber	Outstanding educator
Sunrise Elem	Mary Wittman	Outstanding Educator
Park Orchard	Sharon Gangwish	Outstanding Advocate

**KENTRIDGE STRAND**

Carriage Crest	Lynne Iwasaki	Golden Acorn
Emerald Park	Ken Demingo	Golden Acorn
Fairwood Elem	Melissa Parker	Golden Acorn
Fairwood Elem	Alexandra Liggins	Golden Acorn
Glenridge	Pam Wells	Golden Acorn
Glenridge	Dana Smith	Golden Acorn
Lake Youngs	Christi Minister	Golden Acorn
Ridgewood	Nancy Wing	Golden Acorn
Ridgewood	Thuy Ameling	Golden Acorn
Carriage Crest	Ann Smith-Bogel	Outstanding Educator
Emerald Park	Lori Sabo	Outstanding Educator
Fairwood Elem	Tami Kock	Outstanding Educator
Fairwood Elem	Elaine Theriot	Outstanding Educator
Glenridge	Tina Rodgers	Outstanding Educator
Lake Youngs	Will Halsey	Outstanding Educator
Lake Youngs	Diane Olliffe	Outstanding Educator
Ridgewood	Melanie Ready	Outstanding Educator
Carriage Crest	Susanne Wick	Outstanding Advocate
Lake Youngs	Laurie Whitney	Outstanding Advocate

**KENT MERIDIAN STRAND**

East Hill	Pat Fredell	Golden Acorn
Meadowridge	Cheryl Munoz	Golden Acorn
Nealy O'Brien	Chris Kunzelman	Golden Acorn
Scenic Hill	Sally Mendel	Golden Acorn
East Hill	Patty Wilson	Outstanding Educator
Kent Elem	Sara Sweetser	Outstanding Educator
Meadowridge	Julia Garrett	Outstanding Educator
Nealy O'Brien	Sharon Waterman	Outstanding Educator
Scenic Hill	Carol Noddings	Outstanding Educator
East Hill	Joan Johnson	Outstanding Advocate
Kent Elem	Shannon Lopez-Campos	Outstanding Advocate
Meadowridge	Sashi Narayan	Outstanding Advocate
Scenic Hill	Michelle Campbell	Outstanding Advocate
Meadowridge	Kimme Bartlett	Honorary Lifetime Member

**KENTLAKE STRAND**

Cedar Valley	Lura Beck	Golden Acorn
Grasslake	Marcia Zuchowski	Golden Acorn
Jenkins Creek	Amie Collins	Golden Acorn
Jenkins Creek	DeeDee Burdick	Golden Acorn
Millenium	Debbie Lindsey	Golden Acorn
Millenium	Heidi Weidman	Golden Acorn
Sawyer Woods	Debbie Welch	Golden Acorn
Sawyer Woods	Kris Orstad	Golden Acorn
Horizon	Donna Bender	Golden Acorn
Cedar Valley	Sue Hudgens	Outstanding educator
Cedar Valley	Karen Evans	Outstanding educator
Grasslake	Joseph Andrew	Outstanding educator
Jenkins Creek	Sharon Andrews	Outstanding Educator
Jenkins Creek	Carilla Marsh	Outstanding Educator
Millenium	Maylene Siv	Outstanding Educator
Sawyer Woods	Gary Durham	Outstanding Educator
Horizon	Jim Ryan	Outstanding Educator
Horizon	Ray Jenkins	Outstanding Educator
Grasslake	Michelle Rogers	Outstanding Advocate
Sawyer Woods	Caroline Blackburn	Outstanding Advocate

**SECONDARY UNITS**

Kentlake	Polly Shiraishi	Golden Acorn
Kentridge	Martha MacKinnon	Golden Acorn
Meeker Middle Sch	Debbie Germer	Golden Acorn
Meridian Middle Sch	MaryAraki	Golden Acorn
Mill Creek	Margaret Pfeifle	Golden Acorn
Northwood	Petrine Beatty	Golden Acorn
Kent Meridian HS	Ernie Ammons	Outstanding Educator
Kent Meridian HS	Dianne Massey Thompson	Outstanding Educator
Kentlake	Michael Imbruglio	Outstanding Educator
Kentridge	Bev Henderson	Outstanding Educator
Kentwood	Leslie Armstrong	Outstanding Educator
Mattson	Andrea Hemphill	Outstanding educator
Meeker Middle Sch	Chance Wilton	Outstanding educator
Meridian Middle Sch	Debbie Carlson	Outstanding Educator

Meridian Middle Sch	Thanh Thu Do	Outstanding Educator
MillCreek	Nicole Yemothy	Outstanding educator
Northwood	Bob Wood	Outstanding Educator
Kent Meridian HS	Dale Smith	Outstanding Advocate
Kentridge	Kim Petz	Outstanding Advocate
Kentridge	Ti Vuong	Outstanding Advocate
Mattson	Cherri Brondstetter	Outstanding Advocate
Meeker Middle Sch	Christy Rodriguez	Outstanding Advocate
Meeker Middle Sch	Judy Rohm	Outstanding Advocate

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Robin Blake  
Allyson Johnson  
Carl Johnson  
2008-2009 Awards Committee

## KAC Awards

The Kent Area Council Awards Committee is happy to announce the following as award winners from Kent Area Council.

### **Golden Acorn – Joseph Nawar**

Joseph Nawar jumped right into PTA approximately seven years ago serving as Co-PTSA President at Lake Youngs Elementary. While at Lake Youngs he also served on the board as Webmaster and Legislation Chair. During his two years as Co-President he came up with the following slogan for the spirit sale “PTA is no longer just for Moms”. It was great seeing that embroidered on sweatshirts that year. The following year he served as Co-President with Mark Ryan, making the two of them first two-men PTSA Co-Presidents in Lake Youngs PTSA History! He was also beneficial in helping Lake Youngs PTSA become a 501C3 (for those that have worked on that know how complicated that process can be).

Joseph currently serves as Treasurer at Mattson Middle School PTSA and the Kent Area Council. He has assisted many local units in their switch to Money Minders, a web based non profit program that has helped us all become more comfortable with budgets, and treasurer responsibilities.

### **KAC Outstanding Service- Toni Troutner**

This year’s Outstanding Service award goes to someone who really goes the extra mile in everything she does. Toni Troutner has served as PTSA President at her local unit and has helped in several areas including being the memory book chair, staff appreciation committee member, helped put on a great auction for her local unit. She also volunteers every Thursday in her son’s classroom. Toni also volunteers at the Kent Area Council where she has been serving as the Kentwood Area Vice President and has been elected as the incoming Secretary for next year. Toni has served as the KAC hospitality chair, and this is her 2<sup>nd</sup> year as Co-Chair for Founders Day!

At the beginning of this school year she came up with a wonderful fundraiser for Kent Area Council the KAC Cooks Cookbook. She single handily researched the best company to go with, collected recipes from the local units, administration, Washington State PTA, Region 9 and of course the Kent Area Council Board. She formatted the book, proofed it and sent it in to be published.

Toni is wife to Brett and mother of two boys, Kyler and Conner. She is a friend to everyone who meets her and is the most organized, reliable, helpful and fun person.

### **KAC Outstanding Advocate- Dianna Madison**

Our Outstanding Advocate is a special person who cares deeply about the community she lives in. Dianna Madison not only volunteers at her son's school but also chairs the Kent Area Council Clothing Bank. She has brought so much to the clothing bank and made such great improvements that directly benefit the families that are served by this resource. She shops for great deals on socks and underwear and stretches monetary unit donations that the clothing bank receives. She frequently stops at a few stores on a regular basis to know when the items the bank is in need of are at their best price. We all know the time involved in shopping. Her work doesn't stop there. She has forged relationships with our district family advocates to mutually serve the children in our schools; she takes in donations, sorting out the best suited clothing for our district's children; and has personally packaged school supplies in gallon zip locks to be sure our children get what they need to start their school year off right! She has also personally installed shelving systems to allow for more shoes to be displayed. With her scrapbooking skills, she has created adorable signage for the clothing bank racks, doors, sock boxes, underwear trays and throughout the bank, This dedicated, caring and intelligent woman has multiple talents and we are so lucky to have her care about our kids in our community. Her work may go unseen by some, but not to us on the Kent Area Council Board and those families that use the Clothing Bank.

### **Outstanding Educators - Eric Anderson and Dr. Kyle Good**

Our first Outstanding Educator is Eric Anderson the Kentridge Assistant Principal over Athletics and Activities. He is someone who has helped Kent Area Council put on our Founder's Day event for the past four years his organization skills and his ability to get things done quickly. Every year we are amazed that we can transform this cafeteria in the amount of time we are allowed. Eric comes to the rescue bringing in a class of students who, within minutes, can put tables and chairs up. We've appreciated Eric's support as we've held Reflections here in the past for the art walk and ceremony. Usually everything is in order except for one occasion when we arrived here at Kentridge to find the doors locked all around the building. We were able to track down Eric's home number and he was here within minutes to let us in and get things set up for the art walk. He even came back to lock up later that day. Being the assistant principal, you can find Eric here at Kentridge or at another school supporting the many teams and clubs that Kentridge has. The students respect Eric and you can see him giving many high fives as they walk the halls here at Kentridge. Thank you Eric for all the help you've given to Kent Area Council through out the last several years.

Our second Outstanding Educator is Dr. Kyle Good. Pat Fredell, East Hill PTA President describes Dr. Good as an ardent supporter of East Hill PTA. In the past five years Dr. Good has never missed single PTA board meeting. He has participated in, one way or another, the planning or implementation of nearly all the PTA events during that period as well. He has been dunked in cold water, eaten "dirt", perfected Uncle Charley, danced, emceed, set up events, cleaned up after events, and more, all to make the experience at East Hill just that much better for those in our community. By listening, offering suggestions and being a liaison with the rest of the school he has been an irreplaceable part of the East Hill PTA team.

He is tireless in his devotion not just to our PTA but to the school as a whole. Whether it is early in the morning, late in the evening, on the weekend or holiday, there is a good chance you will see Dr. Good's car in the East Hill parking lot.

Dr. Good's thoughtful and caring demeanor radiates through the school. His work and attitude has continually moved East Hill in a positive, learning centered direction.

### **Spirit of the Community - Fairwood UPS**

Kent Area Council also honored Fairwood UPS the Spirit of the Community Award for their support of the PTA's in the Kent Area with donations of free printing for auction catalogs and programs.

## KAC Membership

*KAC is 5,015 Members Strong!*

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Our membership campaign is coming to an end, and we want to congratulate everyone on a job well done. KAC membership has reached 5,015 members! Every unit has done such an incredible job this year! The following units earned the WSPTA Gold Level Award. This is given to all local units who have a 10% membership increase from last year's membership enrolled and paid by January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Cedar Heights Middle PTSA 9.7.79**

**Covington PTA 9.7.10**

**Crestwood PTA 9.7.11**

**Glenridge PTSA 9.7.77**

**Jenkins Creek PTA 9.7.22**

**Martin Sortun PTA 9.7.72**

**Mattson Middle PTSA 9.7.83**

**Meeker Middle PTSA 9.7.85**

**Northwood Middle PTSA 9.7.93**

**Sawyer Woods PTA 9.7.57**

If you have new membership chairs for 2009 – 2010, please email me their name, phone number and email by June. I'm available to answer any questions regarding jump starting your '09 – '10 membership campaigns.

Our final payment for membership is due to KAC at our last General Membership Meeting on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Our membership campaigns are ongoing, so keep asking families to join. We are only 123 under our membership target from last year! Thank you for all your hard work!

### **Health Challenge 2009 Kicks Off May 30 – Ends Sept 19**

**Kruzin' Kent and Cruzin' Covington Passports to Health  
Keep Kids Active During the Summer Break**



**EAT SMART**

**PLAY HARD**

**LEARN**

**EARN prizes! Winning Elementary School Receives \$1,000 of Playground Equipment**

During the summer, children grades K through 6 are encouraged to EAT SMART, PLAY HARD and/or LEARN about healthy choices. They get their Passport stamped at the many participating locations in and around the community.

This event is brought to you by the Cities of Kent and Covington with support of Multi-Care, Valley Medical Center, Kent School District, PTA and a host of enthusiastic businesses that believe in a healthier community.

Visit [www.kent4health.com](http://www.kent4health.com) or [www.cruzinpassport.com](http://www.cruzinpassport.com) for a list of Official Passport locations, businesses and activities.

**Look for the Passport to be distributed in the month of May.**

**Join the challenge and the FUN!**

**Pam Clark**

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## KAC Legislative Update

### *Focus Day Review*

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### **Your Voice Can Make A Difference!**

Over 400 parents, PTA members, and education advocates rallied on the Capitol steps in Olympia February 26<sup>th</sup> to support changing the way the state funds basic education. Many others contacted their state legislators from home or work that day. Many thanks to all who emailed, phoned or came to Olympia. Our efforts paid off!

The House of Representatives on March 12<sup>th</sup> passed a significantly enhanced version of HB 2261, now technically referred to as Engrossed Substitute House Bill (or ESHB) 2261. This legislation would adopt a new and more meaningful definition of basic education, a more transparent method of allocating funds to school district, enhanced data and accountability systems, and more opportunities for high school students to earn a meaningful high school diploma. The bill began its journey in the Senate. It passed out of the Senate Early Learning & K-12 Committee on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Its next stop is in the Senate Ways and Means Committee. To check on the status of the bill, go to [www.leg.wa.gov](http://www.leg.wa.gov), click on bill search and enter 2261. To support basic education finance reform, add your name to this online petition at <http://gopetition.com/online/25946.html>.

In Kent on February 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, approximately 1,800 school district patrons, students and staff participated in work sessions to prioritize twenty-three program choices. The Citizens' Budget Review Committee and KSD leadership team also participated in separate work sessions. The priorities from the work sessions are intended to help guide the board of directors in the decisions they must make to reduce the district budget by up to \$16 million for the 2009-10 school year. The top three priorities that emerged from the work sessions are maintaining: 1) athletics (7<sup>th</sup> grade and JV teams at middle school and all 9<sup>th</sup> grade and sophomore teams at high school), 2) elementary vocal music and P.E., and 3) six-period middle school day.

The summary of budget choices was presented to the board of directors March 11<sup>th</sup>. At their meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup>, the board approved the direction that budget reductions will take in KSD. The reductions will begin with a freeze on administrative and leadership salaries and then move to a list of Initial Reductions targeted at the Central Office and School Administration of \$3,392,540. Reductions will then move to the second list which contains items in priority order of reduction. The total list includes \$10,566,440 of reductions. The board will determine how far down this list they must go as more information becomes available regarding federal and state funding. The third list includes items which continue to be under board consideration but require negotiations with our various employee groups. View the lists at [http://www.kent.k12.wa.us/ksd/cr/03\\_26\\_09\\_BudgetReductions.html](http://www.kent.k12.wa.us/ksd/cr/03_26_09_BudgetReductions.html)

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## Local Unit News

### *KM PTSA*

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As the year is winding down and graduation is just around the corner, I want to take this time to thank everyone who helped with the PTSA...Sharon...Darren...and Heather...you are wonderful. On a personal note, this is the last year that I will be at KM...Tyler is graduating and off to Florida for College. Thank you to all his teachers who have been so wonderful and supportive to him and our family. We will all miss you. Congratulations to the class of 2009!! GO ROYALS!!!

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## **KAC Clothing Bank**

### *Scheduled Work Parties*

#### **Kent Area Council Clothing Bank Scheduled Work Parties**

**Place:** Kent Phoenix Academy, Room 612

**Time:** Beginning at 10am

**Day:** Sunday

#### **Scheduled dates:**

May 3, 2009

May 17, 2009

May 31, 2009

June 14, 2009

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## **Looking Back to March 23**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by President Sharon Pfeiffer. The minutes were approved and filed. The financial report was given by Treasurer Joseph Nawar. President Pfeiffer announced that the Clothing Bank is looking for new chairs. She also announced the reflection winners from WSPTA. Dr. Grohe gave the superintendent's report. The state budget is reporting a \$9 billion deficit. The state budget will not be announced until the end of next week. The East Hill principal search is ongoing. The Bond and Levy Campaign meeting will be held in mid-April. Dr. Vargas, incoming superintendent, will be invited to the meeting. Pam Kramer from Multicare have a presentation for the Coalition for a Health Community Summer Passport Challenge Program. The Standing Rules Committee announced changes to the Bylaws. Agda Burchard announced that over 400 people attended the WSPLTA Focus Day. Allyson Johnson announced that the Covington Walmart made a \$1,000 donation to the Clothing Bank and the Cinderella Project. Toni Troutner reviewed the logistics for Founders Day. President Pfeiffer review WSPTA Convention details. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

**WSPTA News**

*2009 WSPTA 95th Annual Convention*

**May 1-3, 2009**

**Doubletree Hotel-Seattle Airport,  
SeaTac, WA**



[Click to Download the 2009 Advance Registration Guide](#)

**Register Today!**

Take advantage of early registration fees and reserve a seat in the classes of your choice. [Click Here to Register](#)

**Hotel Reservations**

The Washington State PTA has made arrangements with the Doubletree Hotel for a special, discounted rate for our delegates during the Washington State PTA Convention. [More Information Here](#)

**2009 WSPTA Board Elections**

State-wide elections will take place at Convention for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Legislative Director, Membership Director and two (2) Nominating Committee At-Large members.

[Click Here for more information on the elections & candidates](#)

**EDUCATION FUNDING REFORM LEGISLATION PASSES THE HOUSE**

Thanks to all of you who emailed or called your legislators and especially those who were able to come to Olympia on Monday --your efforts paid off when the House of Representatives passed the legislation by a 67-31 vote. The bill didn't come up for a vote until around 10:15 p.m., and there were only a handful of us left to celebrate, but the main point is that the bill passed. Now it goes to the Governor's office where she's expected to sign it into law, although we don't yet know when that will take place. While the bill was passed on Monday, the final copy wasn't prepared and formally delivered to the Governor's office until yesterday, and because there were fewer than five days remaining in the Legislative session, she now has twenty days after the end of the Legislative session within which to sign (or veto) the bill. And of course we all know there's a lot more work to accomplish before the framework set forth in the legislation is fleshed out and its promise of adequate funding for K-12 education completely fulfilled, but it's a major victory and one we should all celebrate, if only for a little while. Thanks to all of you for helping make this effort a success.

**NATIONAL PTA SEEKS INFORMATION ON PTAs WHO ARE WORKING WELL WITH HEAD START PROGRAMS**

National PTA Officers and staff been meeting with the National Head Start Association and the Office of Head Start (in the US Health and Human Services Department) to find ways that PTA and Head Start might work together on supports to families as they transition from Head Start into the public school system. Aware that there are some states, councils and local PTAs that already do work with Head Start Programs in their areas, and not wanting to re-invent the wheel, National has our help in identifying any local units or councils who have developed effective strategies for maintaining in our public schools the family involvement and advocacy that is a key part of Head Start. If your unit or council has experiences that you'd be willing to share, please email Carole Levine, NPTA's Deputy Executive Director at [clevine@pta.org](mailto:clevine@pta.org) with any experiences, stories, or information you have.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR ARTS GRANTS APPLICATION; THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY APPLIED SHOULD CONFIRM RECEIPT WITH NATIONAL PTA**

We received word late this week that National PTA has extended the deadline for the Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grants until June 1, 2009. National also advises that if you have already applied for one of these grants via the online application you should double-check with National to make sure your application was in fact received, because a technical glitch resulted in several applications not getting through. For more information about this program go to [www.PTA.org/artsgrants](http://www.PTA.org/artsgrants).

**ATTENTION 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS—HAVE YOUR STUDENTS SIGN UP NOW FOR GUARANTEED COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS**

The College Bound Scholarship Program will provide college tuition, fees and books for students who **sign a pledge in 7th or 8th grade** promising to graduate from high school with at least a 2.0 grade point average and demonstrate good citizenship. Their family income must also remain at 65 percent or less of the state's median income by the time of high school graduation to permit a scholarship award. More than 56,000 Washington students potentially eligible for this scholarship. Are you one of them or do you know someone who is? Large sign-up events are planned in Seattle (May 9), Vancouver (May 2), Spokane, and Tri-Cities. **The deadline for application is June 30, 2009.** Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity! Visit the [HECB website](http://www.hecb.org) for more information. And even if you're in an elementary school PTA, please send this along to your members because some of them probably have 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade students—or hope to some day!

**DEADLINES REMINDER**

The deadline for the KCTS Golden Apple award nomination is next Thursday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009. More information is available on the KCTS website, <http://www.kcts9.org/programs/productions/goldenapple>.

Hopefully we'll get a chance to say hello next weekend at the convention, and in any event have a wonderful weekend.

Bill Williams

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*every child.one voice*

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### Calendar

April 27	KAC Membership Meeting 7PM KSD Board Room
May 1-3	WSPTA Convention, Red Lion, SeaTac
May 7	Newsletter Deadline
May 18	KAC Membership Meeting 7PM KSD Board Room
May 25	Membership Fees Due

*If you have an item for the KAC PTA Newsletter, please send your submission by the dates listed above to [hanscom\\_home@hotmail.com](mailto:hanscom_home@hotmail.com)*