

# Lakeridge Junior High



## LEOPARD-PRIDE

Newsletter-Sponsored by Lakeridge Jr. High PTSA

May 2016

## Upcoming Events

### May

**May 3** Early Morning Choir Rehearsal  
7am

**May 3, 11** Yearbook Meeting 7am

**May 3** Spanish AP Test 8am

**May 3** District Community Mtg. 6:30pm

**May 4-5** Cinco de Mayo  
Celebration/World Cup

**May 5** Mr. & Mrs. Lakeridge 11am

**May 6,13,20** Spirit Day!

**May 9** AP Biology Test 8am

**May 10** PTSA Mtg 1pm

**May 10** Choir Show 6pm

**May 10** GT/ALL Parent Mtg. Time TBA

**May 11** Student Council Assembly  
9:30am

**May 11-12** Student Council Elections

**May 11** Armageddon Chess Tournament

**May 12** Orchestra Concerts 6 & 7:30pm

**May 13** Textbooks, Library Books Due

**May 13** AP Human Geography Test 8am

**May 14** Jr. Honor Society Service Project  
9am

**May 17** Community Council Mtg. 12pm

**May 17** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Night 7pm

**May 19** Foreign Film Festival 3pm

**May 19** Band Concert 6pm

**May 24** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Yearbook Party

**May 25** Lagoon Day

**May 27** LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

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# Principal's Message



It is hard to believe that we will change the calendar to May tomorrow! How quickly time flies when you are having a great year! Every day I get to interact with amazing students who work hard to be their very best! Our parents are so supportive and we appreciate you and what you do to support us in educating your children. I have been able to spend more time in classrooms this year and I am thrilled to report that every day, in every classroom, we have caring teachers delivering effective and engaging instruction. Our teachers are talented and truly amazing! Our staff is so capable and dedicated to making our school run efficiently. Working together we are continuing to improve our instruction and level of success! This week has been Teacher Appreciation Week and many thanks to our PTSA for celebrating the great things our teachers do! We are planning for, and looking forward to, next year and another opportunity to help a new group of students learn! Many thanks for a great year!

Kathy Knudsen

## PTSA

### **PTSA Meeting**

Mark your calendars!! You are invited to join us for the May PTSA meeting! The meeting will be held **May 10, 2016 at 1:00pm**. This is the last meeting for the school year! See what the PTSA does to help the students and our school. Come and get involved!

## Leopards Care

Our last Leopards Care Day for the 2015-2016 school year was a huge success :-)! We made over 200 placemats for senior citizens that are shut in. Meals on Wheels is an organization that delivers food to seniors and they asked if we could decorate placemats. They give the placemats to the seniors when they deliver their food to cheer them up! We had many students write happy notes to share with some of the wonderful seniors in our area :-). A big thank you for all the great students at Lakeridge Jr high who have helped with our Leopards Care Days this year!!

## Thai Exchange Students

Thanks to many families hosting Thai exchange students! Last month the PTSA earned an additional \$900 which we will receive in early May. The PTSA is currently working with Principal Kathy Knudsen to make a donation to the school based on the school's needs.

Jenna Wood  
Fundraising Chair

## Spirit Day

We still have some fun spirit days coming up and we will get out the **Big Prizes** on the last Friday before school gets out in May. Just a reminder that **every Friday is Spirit Day** all day long!! Watch for fun activities from Student Council! Wear your school colors (cardinal and gold) or a Lakeridge Shirt and come get a treat at the PTSA table set up by the lunchroom. Every Friday you wear your school colors, you can put your name into jar for a drawing and win a bigger prize.

Spirit Day is to remind us that School Spirit means being good citizens of our school and doing our part to make Lakeridge a great place to be!

Thank you for all your school spirit! We have the best school ever we! We are great leopards!!!!

## Volunteers

THANK YOU for all the times you come and help out at the school! Typically our volunteer opportunities are not difficult or even all that time consuming, but it makes such a difference when everyone does a little bit. Volunteer opportunities usually come to you via a sign-up genius document sent by our volunteer coordinator Andrea Chun. If you ever have any questions or trouble signing up, please call or text her at [801-787-5796](tel:801-787-5796). If you do not receive these emails but would like to, please send a note to [andrea.chun@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.chun@gmail.com) to be added to the mailing list. There will still be more chances to come help at Lakeridge before the end of the school year, so thanks in advance for helping out and spending time with our junior high students!

## PTSA Facebook

Interested in what's happening at Lakeridge Jr. High? Ready to participate in the fun? Join us on Facebook for updates on events and activities at Lakeridge Jr. High and get involved! Search... "Lakeridge Jr High PTSA".

## **PTSA Email List**

If you would like to receive e-mails notifying you of what the PTSA is doing, please send your email address to [LoreePTA@gmail.com](mailto:LoreePTA@gmail.com).

## **Lakeridge Announcements**

### **Buy Your Yearbook!**

THIS IS TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO BUY SOON. PLEASE BUY YOUR YEARBOOKS TODAY!

Top 10 Reasons to Buy a Yearbook

- #10 - Absolute proof you went to school with someone famous.
- #9 - To give your future children something to laugh about when they see your hairstyle
- #8 - So one day you can ask yourself "What was I thinking?"
- #7 - To read about all the funny things you and your friends used to say.
- #6 - So you can remember who your best friends used to be.
- #5 - So you can remember what you actually did at school and know that it was worth it.
- #4 - To read your amazing autograph section
- #3 - To remember all the crazy fads and trendy things from that year.
- #2 - Because your memory isn't that good, but your yearbook's is.
- #1 - SO YOU WON'T MISS ALL THE FUN OF YEARBOOK DAY!!!

### **Merinda Davis Featured in the Daily Herald**

One of our fine teachers, Merinda Davis, was featured in an article in the Daily Herald this week. She teaches Utah History, U.S. History, and World Studies. Go to the link below to read the article.

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### **Upcoming Community Events**

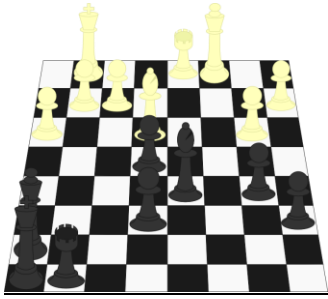
Timpanogos Chorale's Spirit of America Concert for spring and summer 2016. Featuring a variety of Favorite American Classics and stirring Patriotic Arrangements.

May 23 2016 7pm at American Fork Jr. High

June 13, 2016 7pm at American Fork Amphitheater at Quail Cove

June 26, 2016 7pm at Pleasant Grove Summer Concert Series at the Park adjacent to Recreation Center

# Media Center



## **Lakeridge Armageddon Chess Tournament**

May 12, 2016 during Flex time in the library

Rules:

- Chess Clocks
- Time: 2.5 minutes per side, 5 minutes total
- 2 ways to win: 1) checkmate or 2) Opponent runs out of time
- If opponent exposes his king to check, you can capture king for victory
- Pool play first part (pools of 4 student play with 2 advancing), second part single elimination

There will be some fun prizes!

## **National Junior Honor Society**

Saturday, May 14th from 9:00 am to noon is our annual Spring Service Project for ALL Jr. Honor Society members. It includes clean-up of the school and grounds, a planned potluck luncheon, and election of new officers. It is the second of the two required service projects for the year that will count toward receiving the Honor Cords as a ninth grade member. Be sure and SIGN THE ROLL to get credit, and come and help keep our school and grounds beautiful. We will do assigned work detail from 9:00 - 11:00 am, elect officers at 11:00am and have lunch, finishing by 12:00pm.

The week of May 9th there will be a sign-up sheet for food to bring for the luncheon posted outside Mrs. Hunter's room, 120. Please sign up for requested categories. Jr. Honor Society will provide the barbecue.

All members will be called to a meeting during Flex soon to discuss the service project, so listen for an announcement and always read any Jr. Honor Society signs you may see posted in the halls!

Congratulations again to all our new members!

If you would like to run for office for 2016-17, forms will be available to fill out at the luncheon before the election.

# **Counseling Department**

## **Parent and Student Surveys**

Please take a moment and fill out the following surveys. Your answers are important to us because they provide a better understanding of how our counseling program can help students achieve development in the areas of: Academic/Learning (AL), Life/Career (LC), Multicultural/Global Citizenship (MG), and Personal/Social (PS).

Parent Survey: <http://www.ctesurveys.com/Survey?PointerId=38&SchoolId=10>

Student Survey: <http://www.ctesurveys.com/Survey?PointerId=39&SchoolId=10>

Feel free to contact the counseling office with any questions: 801-610-8136