



# The Oakcrest Acorn



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## Oakcrest Elementary 2008-2009 PTA Board Members

### ~ Executive Board ~

President: [Aaron Larson](#)  
President-Elect: [Michelle Moulton](#)  
Secretary: [Kim Foster](#)  
Treasurer: [Desiree "Desi" Jones](#)

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Health: [Melissa Parra](#)  
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Individual Development: [Sara Gunderson-Muhlestein](#)  
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Melody Choir: [Suzanne Robbins](#)  
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Public Relations: [Mindy Brown](#)  
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Safety: [Jerusha Buckner](#)  
Student Birthdays: [Jennifer Higley](#)  
Volunteer Coordinator: [Cindy Chamlee](#)

### ~ School Representatives ~

Principal: [Norman Emerson](#)  
Assist. Principal: [Rebecca Bibo](#)  
Teachers: [Bobbie Evans \(1<sup>st</sup> Grade - B\)](#)  
& [Pat Buske \(2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - A Track\)](#)



Welcome Back to School and Happy New Year!! I hope everyone enjoyed the winter holidays!! January is the month our PTA Nominating Committee starts their work of putting together our PTA Officer Slate for the 2009-2010 school year. The following people were elected to serve on this committee at the December PTA General Meeting; Leo McCormick, Mindy Brown, Norman Emerson, Bobbie Evans, and Ninette Tigner.



This committee will come up with a ballot for the Executive Board which includes the four offices needing nomination for election: President, President Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary. Voting for these positions will take place in March.

Michelle Moulton being President Elect this year is well qualified to succeed to the office of President in our nominations. Our nominating committee will be seeking candidates for the three other positions that require election. Any PTA member can nominate themselves for a position and inform the Nominating Committee of their desires. If you have a desire and ambition for a PTA position...please let us know.

The rest of the board for next year....Commissioners, Committee Chairpersons, and Coordinators will be appointed by the elected Executive Board later this spring. I look forward to serving and volunteering with you as we ring in the New Year and prepare for another great year of community service, child advocacy, and parent involvement.



Aaron Larson~~PTA President

## FROM THE



## Introducing...the Health Commission!

This year, Melissa Parra stepped up to the challenge of helping our kids learn about health and stay healthy as our Health Commissioner! The Health Commission covers everything from physical health to emotional and mental health. Melissa's big projects this year have included the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Maturation Night program and Hearing/Vision Screenings. She has done a fantastic job of pulling these programs together for the school and our children.



**Michelle Moulton**  
President-Elect

### ~ ~ ~ Safe Sledding Tips ~ ~ ~

- The minimum recommended age for sledding is 2.
- Adults should ride with children 5 and younger.
- Supervise children while sledding.
- Sledding should be done during the day or on well-lit hills.
- Never go downhill headfirst. Sit facing forward and steer.
- Sled in a safe area with a gentle slope that is clear of obstacles. The sledding path should not end in a street, parking lot or body of water.
- Children should wear a properly fitted helmet while sledding. Snow and ski helmets provide the best protection.
- Be sure children wear layers of clothing to stay warm and dry with water- and wind-resistant outerwear.
- Be sure that sledding equipment is sturdy and safely constructed.
- Never ride in a sled that is being pulled by a motorized vehicle.
- Use a sled with runners and a steering mechanism, which is safer than toboggans, snow disks, or plastic sheets, which can be pierced.



**Jerusha Buckner**  
PTA Safety Commissioner

### The Oakcrest Melody Choir Put On An Amazing Christmas Concert On Dec. 18th!

Melody will start again on Tuesday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Any students that wish to join Melody for the Spring Concert can fill out this permission slip with their parents. All students are welcome from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Practice is held 7:40am to 8:20am on the stage every Tuesday & Thursday. ONLY NEW MEMBERS need to fill out this form.

My Child \_\_\_\_\_ (please print name carefully)  
has my permission to participate in the Oakcrest Melody Choir, which meets every Tuesday & Thursday from 7:40am – 8:20am on the Oakcrest stage for rehearsals.

Teacher name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(parent signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)





If you have a child who will start Kindergarten in the 2009-2010 school year, or you know of a neighbor who will have a Kindergartener start next year, we need you to contact the office to begin the registration process. Kindergarten orientation will be held in April. Please call the office at 280-7243 and talk to Katie Corsi.

I just wanted to give a big **THANK YOU** to all the parents and grandparents that have volunteered their time so far this school year. The Book Fair, SEP Conference Teacher In-Flight Service, Spiritwear Sales, Reflections and other events could not have been as successful without you! We have many more events planned for the remainder of the year and if you wish to help out please let me know! You may email me at [amie.crawford@oakcrestpta.org](mailto:amie.crawford@oakcrestpta.org).

Amie Crawford  
Community Involvement Commissioner

### Utah PTA Mission Statement

The Utah PTA will help every child realize his full potential and will:

**Advocate:** Support and speak on behalf of children and youth.

**Involve:** Encourage positive involvement in all facets of a child's life.

**Develop:** Assist in developing skills to raise and protect children and youth.



"Light the Way" [everychild.onevoice](http://everychild.onevoice).

Community Involvement!



### Congratulations Class Reading Winners!

#### November 24-30

K	Mrs. Lovell (pm)	4,242 min. (all of Nov.)
1	Mrs. Evans	1,621 min.
2/3	Mrs. Munot	3,068 min.
4/5	Mr. Mangus	2,610 min.
6	Mr. Spofford	6,700 min.

#### December 8-15

1	Mrs. Reece	2,300 min.
2/3	Ostler/Pepper	2,795 min.
4/5	Poppa	1,900 min.
6	Spofford	10,435 min.
Eagle	Mrs. Barnes	

#### December 1-5

1	Mrs. Brewer	1,430 min.
2/3	Mrs. Pepper	2,360 min.
4/5	- - - - -	- - - - -
6	Mr. Spofford	13,039 min.
Eagle	Mrs. Fedderson	



### The PTA Executive Board Needs You!!!

We need to fill all four Oakcrest Executive PTA positions for the 2009-2010 school year; President, President-Elect, Secretary & Treasurer. If you know of anyone that would love to join the PTA Executive Board next year, please nominate them. You can even nominate yourself! It is a large time commitment, but it is also very rewarding! For a further explanation of the duties for each office, please contact Leo McCormick @ 573-2757 or [leo.mccormick@oakcrestpta.org](mailto:leo.mccormick@oakcrestpta.org). You can also check out the PTA website for more information about each executive board position at [www.utahpta.org](http://www.utahpta.org).

Mindy Brown, Norman Emerson & Leo McCormick  
Oakcrest PTA Executive Board Nomination Committee

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!!

## Teacher/Staff Birthdays in January

Elizabeth Rivas-13<sup>th</sup>

Shelly Bohman-16<sup>th</sup>

Katie Corsi-17<sup>th</sup>

## Student January Birthdays

Gisele Richardson-1<sup>st</sup>

Kevin Lopes-3<sup>rd</sup>

Brayden Fenstermaker-3<sup>rd</sup>

Tisiann T-6<sup>th</sup>

Danielle Zepeda-7<sup>th</sup>

Andrew Wagstaff-9<sup>th</sup>

Nicholas Rojas-10<sup>th</sup>

Kathryn Kohutek-11<sup>th</sup>

Kathryn Pyne-12<sup>th</sup>

Praneeta Sambaraju-13<sup>th</sup>

Moises Larios-14<sup>th</sup>

Kyle Chisum-15<sup>th</sup>

Camilla Cook-16<sup>th</sup>

Sha'uri Alonso-17<sup>th</sup>

Andrew Riley-18<sup>th</sup>

Jaxon Griggs-20<sup>th</sup>

Kanene Nwizu-21<sup>st</sup>

Kaden Lovell-22<sup>nd</sup>

Daniel Guzman-23<sup>rd</sup>

Carter Wray-23<sup>rd</sup>

Kira Rodeback-24<sup>th</sup>

Zoraya Meneses-24<sup>th</sup>

Hunter Salisbury-26<sup>th</sup>

Kollet Linder-28<sup>th</sup>

Alyssa Bruce-30<sup>th</sup>

Alexander Smith-31<sup>st</sup>

Mckenzie Nordquist-31<sup>st</sup>

Kaela Sayasith-2<sup>nd</sup>

Brianna Carrillo-3<sup>rd</sup>

Garrison Marquez-5<sup>th</sup>

Grace Kelly-6<sup>th</sup>

Steve Radmall-7<sup>th</sup>

Traci Burningham-10<sup>th</sup>

Lucio Abalos-10<sup>th</sup>

Connor Sanders-11<sup>th</sup>

Brittney Kluge-12<sup>th</sup>

Emily Foster-13<sup>th</sup>

Brian Farley-14<sup>th</sup>

Matthew Barnes-15<sup>th</sup>

Maycie Perez-16<sup>th</sup>

Dylon Simmons-17<sup>th</sup>

Saul Martinez-20<sup>th</sup>

Aarica Hill-20<sup>th</sup>

Rylan Benson-22<sup>nd</sup>

Chase Taylor-22<sup>nd</sup>

Madison Mills-23<sup>rd</sup>

Jenna Howell-23<sup>rd</sup>

Makenzi Sharp-24<sup>th</sup>

Kaven Leavitt-25<sup>th</sup>

Melody Cowden-27<sup>th</sup>

Jacob Christensen-28<sup>th</sup>

Zuri Colebrook-30<sup>th</sup>

Jailee Gonzalez-31<sup>st</sup>

Keira Hansen-2<sup>nd</sup>

Morgan Pommerening-3<sup>rd</sup>

Catalina Hardenbrook-5<sup>th</sup>

James Melton-7<sup>th</sup>

Karisa Crandall-9<sup>th</sup>

Ryan Wilcox-10<sup>th</sup>

Jayda Cisco-11<sup>th</sup>

Rebecca Avina-12<sup>th</sup>

Na'Sheyna Mahoney-13<sup>th</sup>

Anthony Mora-14<sup>th</sup>

Aujanee Stewart-14<sup>th</sup>

Kaleb Hechtle-15<sup>th</sup>

Aaron Bounds-17<sup>th</sup>

Luke Anderson-17<sup>th</sup>

Nicholas Allen-20<sup>th</sup>

Caleb Melendez-21<sup>st</sup>

Kehlan Anderson-22<sup>nd</sup>

Cameryn Kinder-22<sup>nd</sup>

Brett Telford-23<sup>rd</sup>

Kiernan Callister-24<sup>th</sup>

Calvin Allred-24<sup>th</sup>

Connor King-26<sup>th</sup>

Gian-Carlo Martinez-27<sup>th</sup>

Brigham Tuatagaloa-29<sup>th</sup>

Lizbeth Carmorano-30<sup>th</sup>

Noah Wisden-31<sup>st</sup>

Student Birthday Celebrations...

B & D Tracks on Jan 7<sup>th</sup>







A & C Tracks on Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

Jennifer Higley







Student Birthday Coordinator



## JANUARY 2009 OAKCREST PTA CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 New Year's Day  Winter Recess	2  No School	3
4	5  B Track On	6	7	8  5:30pm	9	10
11	12 5&6 Grade Science Fair 	13	14 Principal's Pride 11:30 Grades 2,3,5 12:00 Grades 1,4,6	15 School Community Council 4pm	16	17
18	19 MLK Day Holiday  No School	20  Inauguration Day	21	22	23	24
25	26	27  D Track Off	28 Principal's Pride 11:30 Grades 2,3,5 12:00 Grades 1,4,6  A Track On	29	30	31

## FEBRUARY 2009 OAKCREST PTA CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1	2 Groundhog Day 	3 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade To Symphony	4	5	6	7
8	9 <b>Take</b>	10 <b>Your</b>	11 <b>Family</b> Principal's Pride 11:30 Grades 2,3,5 12:00 Grades 1,4,6	12 <b>To School</b>  5:30pm	13 <b>Week</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> District Science Fair 	14  Valentine's Day
15	16 President's Day Holiday  No School	17 PTA Founders Day	18	19	20  C Track Off	21
22	23  D Track On	24	25 Principal's Pride 11:30 Grades 2,3,5 12:00 Grades 1,4,6  Hogle Zoo Visits To 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	26 School Community Council 4pm	27 PTA Day At The Legislature 	28