

# KANDU Connection



May 3, 2021



*A Message from  
Michael C. Davis,  
Vice President  
Board of Directors*

It feels cliché to tell you how excited I am to write to you as the Vice President of the Board of Directors, but while change can be uncomfortable, I have grown to embrace it; and over the past year, the only constant at KANDU seems to have been change. From the leadership changes to not knowing what tomorrow would look like at KANDU thanks to COVID-19, the past 12 months have been abnormally uncomfortable. But that is the beauty of change, growth happens when you are outside of your comfort zone.

As Joel Chappelle, President of the Board of Directors, discussed in March, policies have been revised, technology has been upgraded, and facility utilization is being reviewed. This, and so much more, is being done to foster growth at KANDU. While the survival of any organization requires planning and preparation for the future, because of historical reliance on policies like 14(c), KANDU must constantly identify opportunities for growth. Therefore, it is important to identify ways to increase efficiency, without negatively impacting the clients and employees of KANDU.

In the spirit of change and growth, if you see a property owned by KANDU placed on the market, I hope you feel a tingle of excitement at what opportunities that divestment could bring; if you are an employee, and you encounter new software, I hope you breathe a sigh of relief at the thought that it should make your job easier; and if you are a partner in the community, and an event you have been looking forward to for well over a year does not return post-COVID, I hope your curiosity is piqued enough that you anxiously count down the days until you can attend one of our new events. So again, while it may feel cliché to tell you how excited I am to be a part of KANDU, it truly describes how I feel, and I encourage

you to embrace the changes ahead.

**THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL 1ST QUARTER DONORS!**

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# JOB FAIR

## SATURDAY, MAY 8TH

### We Are Hiring!

Work with a great team while also supporting people with disabilities within our community! On Saturday, May 8th, KANDU and Best Events will be holding a Job Fair from 9 to 11 AM at the Pontiac Convention Center. There are a wide variety of positions available including, Marketing Specialist, Event Manager, Data Entry/Inventory Clerk, Receptionist/Cashier, Bartender, Prep/Line Cook, Production Team Member, Wait Staff, and Rentals Team Member. Come ready to ask questions and fill out applications!

**Interested in learning more today?**

[CLICK FOR JOB DESCRIPTIONS & TO APPLY](#)

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## We Love the 80s!

On Friday, April 16th, KANDU collectively hopped into our DeLorean and traveled back to the 80s for this month's Fun Day! Break time was totally radical to the max, with classic synthesized beats, aerobics-style dancing, and colorful decor reminiscent of Punky Brewster's bedroom. There was even a prize giveaway, determined by our very own "Wheel of Fortune". Shout out to Laura Rehfuss and Lisa Pember for the righteous donations! Clients and staff at both locations were definitely stoked to take part in this Fun Day. [Click here for more photos.](#)

All proceeds  
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# Golf Tour

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## Introducing KANDU's Golf Tour

Sign up today to reserve your Golf Tour Punch Card and save at local golf courses! Availability is limited, so don't delay! Partnering courses include Bass Creek Golf Club, Beloit Club, Blackhawk Golf Course, Glen Erin Golf Club, Riverside Golf Course, Edgerton Towne Country Club, Coachman's Golf Resort, and Cecelia's Golf Course. Participants who complete all featured rounds at our partnering courses by September 6th can enter to win exciting prizes. For more information on course rules and discounts, visit [kanduindustries.com/golf](http://kanduindustries.com/golf).

REGISTER TODAY



## MOD Pizza Fundraiser

On Tuesday, May 25th, eat MOD Pizza in Janesville and 20% of food and beverage sales will benefit KANDU. Simply use the coupon code GR175894K when ordering delivery or pick up on [MOD Pizza's website](#). Take out and dine-in is also available. Just mention to the cashier you are there for KANDU prior to paying for your meal. [Click here to follow \(and share!\) the event on Facebook.](#)

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## Dragons on the Rock Boat Team Registration Now Available

Dragon boat racing is back! Early bird registration for the annual dragon boat race and community festival is now available through July 5th. Discounted boat team registration is \$1,000 with payment plans available. After July 5th, team registration is \$1,200 and includes only 1 practice. Registration for nonprofits, students, club teams and municipalities is \$900 and individuals without a team is \$65.

Dragons on the Rock is Saturday, September 18th at Traxler Park. The dragon boat race

features 16-20 paddlers and 1 drummer in each boat, competing in heats throughout the day to determine the top 3 champions. All equipment and training are provided, as well as experienced staff to steer each boat, so no experience is necessary! All teams will participate in one mandatory hour-long practice session the week leading up to the event. Participants must be 12 or older and 3-4 extra team members are recommended as alternates. The top 3 placing race winners will receive medals and recognition during an award ceremony. Teams are encouraged to be creative with their attire! Especially the drummer! Drummers will have the opportunity to compete for prizes by showing off their costumes and talents during a drum competition.

[Check out this video clip from the race in 2019!](#)

Boat teams are encouraged to fund raise a minimum of \$1,000 to receive extra perks including:

### The VIP Experience

- Access to the VIP Pavilion with snacks, refreshments, plush furniture and recognition on pavilion entrance signage
- Team logo/name on T-shirts

**As well as a partial sponsorship (1 of 2) of a KANDU client or youth boat.**

The top 3 fundraising teams will receive special recognition.

MORE INFO AND RACE  
REGISTRATION

Are you interested in joining our amazing group of volunteers? [Sign up here.](#)

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