

Stand Up for Service

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Information Heads-Up: Using Your Resources!

Now, it is time to ...

- Plan a summer and/or back-to-school event
- Organize committees!
- Work with our service partners and the Kiwanis Family
- Talk with your Lieutenant Governor or Executive Officers
- Stay engaged over this busy summer!

Tell me about it!

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Tell me about your success, suggest new ideas that could help our district, or ask questions. Good or bad, send it my way!

Hello Mighty Illinois-Eastern Iowa District!

I hope you're all doing more than well! I hope you're all enjoying your summer and are ready to relax, have fun, and of course ... SERVE! Serving over the summer has various meanings—serving could mean volunteering, planning ahead, engaging with your club officers or district board, etc. I hope YOU are serving in some way!

Presidents and Vice Presidents: Please remember that this newsletter is a part of our District Mailing. Each month, your Lt. Governor should send you the District Mailing, which is a compilation of newsletters from each of your Executive Officers. This mailing is sent electronically and is posted on our district website for your convenience. This mailing is focusing on the decisions and goals your District Board made at our board meeting in Rockford this past weekend.

Take a look at information about our 2010 Regional Training Conferences, our goals for the year, and our Key Club International service initiative. I have also included updates about the 2010 Key Club International Convention and our Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation! Take a look! Your District Board learned a lot and shared a lot at the board meeting this past weekend, so please be sure your Lt. Governor is keeping in touch with you about information for this summer.

Keep your clubs engaged by sending out our newsletters, promoting Spastic Paralysis and/or your Divisional Project, and encouraging members to stay involved with our district. Let's help your clubs be the most successful they can be!

Serving with encouragement,

Tori Albarracin

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Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Governor



2010 ICON Update

The 2010 Key Club International Convention is just around the corner! For those of you who have registered for ICON, please be sure you have talked to me about I-I District spirit wear and have taken a look at the confirmation packet. Here is the link to the packet:

http://slp.kiwanis.org/KeyClub/Libraries/Conventions_Conferences_Events/Form_KeyClub_Key_Club_confirmation_packet.sflb.ashx

Please note the convention schedule, information about Memphis, and updates on our schedules guest speakers and performers. Please also note the forms you



MUST fill out in order to attend International Convention! Do not forget to fill out the medical form, Code of Conduct form, and charity walk form (if you so choose). If you plan to be a delegate, please fill out that form, as well! If you have any questions about district spirit wear, contact me as soon as possible (see front page). I can't wait to see you all in Memphis, Tennessee!

Right now, I hope YOU are planning ahead!

After our very recent board meeting, I hope you are all ready to implement the many goals we have for this year. This month, I hope you will continue to reach out to your clubs and continue to plan ahead!

Regional Training Conferences (RTCs) are conferences that allow you to learn more about Key Club (on the district and international levels), receive officer and/or member training (especially if you were unable to attend District Convention), and meet fellow Key Club members (which provides a great opportunity for you to exchange ideas with other clubs and members!). Members of your I-I District Board will be present at each RTC to train your officers members, members, and **advisors**. These conferences are a great time for education, as well as fellowship and fun. At each RTC we will fundraise for Spastic Paralysis (our district's finest project), so you can gain some ideas on how to fundraise in your home clubs! More information coming soon—talk to your Lt. Governor about the RTC in your area!

2010 Regional Training Conferences:

Regions 1, 2, & 3 (Divisions 1, 3, 4, 5/6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 21, & 23) will hold their conference on Sunday, October 3 at Hinsdale Central High School in Hinsdale, Illinois.

Regions 4 & 5 (Divisions 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, & 17) will hold their conference on Saturday, October 2 at a location that will be announced at a later date.

Regions 6 & 7 (Divisions 18/19, 20E, 20W, 22E, 22W, & 24) will hold their conference on Zcv c , September 26 at a location that will be announced at a later date.

Regions 8, 9, & 10 (Divisions 25, 26, 27/28, 29, 30, 31/34, 33 & 36) will hold their conference on Saturday, September 25 at Belleville West High School in Belleville, Illinois.

Check out the I-I Online!

Please visit our district website, www.iikeyclub.org! We are very proud of our district, and not only do we want our clubs to use it, but YOU too! You will find links to our district history, links to our monthly reports, and a list of every club in the I-I District. Check out our new Executive Officer Pages! You will also find information about Spastic Paralysis, Regional Training Conferences, awards, scholarships, and SO much more. Take advantage!

You can also find us on Facebook! Become a fan of the "Illinois-Eastern Iowa District of Key Club International" on Facebook. Lacking a Facebook? Not a problem! Find us on Twitter! Become a fan of "II Key Club" on Twitter. Look out for updates and encouragement within our main forms of social communication.

Putting the focus on Spastic Paralysis and Live 2 Learn: Comprehending our NEW goals!

Spastic Paralysis: Our district's finest project and Live 2 Learn: Our International service initiative

Our I-I District Project Committee recently created a goal for the 2010-2011 Key Club year. This committee focuses on our Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation—the I-I District's finest project—and has decided to work toward an ambitious goal this year. The District Project Committee hopes to raise **\$35,408.10** for our Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation this Key Club year. Why such a specific goal? Our committee is putting the spotlight on the 2011 Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Convention! The committee members chose the "35" portion of this goal because we raised just over \$34,000 last year, and we are always looking to raise more money. They chose the "4" portion of this goal because our convention is in April—the fourth month of the year—the "08" portion of this goal because our convention begins April 8, and the ".10" portion of this goal because our convention ends April 10. What a creative committee we have! We are hoping this goal will help you remember the date of our convention and also the importance of Spastic Paralysis! We are hoping to show you how much FUN service can really be!

We work with the Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation each year, and this foundation gives grants to medical researchers within the I-I District. Typical grants are around \$20,000 and last for three to five year periods. The money we raise for our foundation goes toward those researchers, who are searching for ways to help those that suffer from Spastic Paralysis. Tell your clubs about our foundation, and plan a fundraiser! Fundraisers can be anything from car washes to dance marathons. Donations are accepted at any time throughout the year, and all donations can be sent to District Administrator, Bob Hall at the following address:

Bob Hall
28 Candy Lane
Murphysboro, IL 62966

The Key Club service initiative is an element of the Major Emphasis Program (MEP) and is created on a two-year basis. Key Club International (KCI) encourages Key Club members to devote their hands-on service to a single area of need—in order to make a substantial impact. Our current service initiative is Live 2 Learn. Live 2 Learn focuses on helping children—ages 5-9—overcome learning obstacles so they can be successful in giving back to their homes, schools and communities. This emphasis allows Key Club members to direct their efforts to a single area of need to make a substantial impact. Key Club members are serving primary school children in three areas: Improving grades, Giving back, and Growing together. It is important to remember that Live 2 Learn is not an organization, but rather an emphasis program. There is no way to send a check to "Live 2 Learn;" Key Club International is instead hoping that Key Club members will focus on this area of service—helping children with their school efforts and leadership opportunities. Volunteering at an after school tutoring program or helping out at a community center for kids would be great ways to get involved!

More questions? Visit www.keyclub.org, or talk to me! Speaking of our Key Club International website, look out for the NEWEST improvements to the website—KCI is premiering their NEW website in Memphis!

LIVE 2 LEARN

Think about it ...

"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."

"The key to change ... is to let go of fear."

