

Stand Up for Service

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Looking Ahead: Summer 2010

Would you like to ... ?

- Host a fundraiser for our Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation?
- Make a goal of increasing your club's service hours by 25%?
- Hold at least two officer meetings this summer?
- Perform a service project with your local Kiwanis or Circle K Club?
- Invite a district board member to an event?

Tell me about it!

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Tell me about your club's 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! As you read the District Mailing, I hope you gain some knowledge about our district and some new ideas to implement within your clubs. A large part of our job is to educate the officers and members about what is happening within our I-I District.

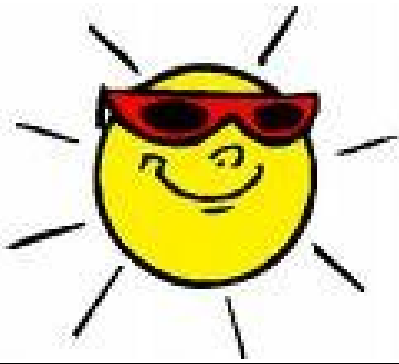
Please look for more information about the Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation and our three service partners. As presidents and vice presidents, it is your job to start planning NOW for the summer! You are the leaders of your clubs, so do not be afraid to take the initiative and start planning summer officer meetings and maybe even a back-to-school service project! Please take time to set goals for the year; be sure they are attainable and service-oriented.

As we approach the summer months, I hope you all have a safe and fun break from school! If you are struggling with service project and/or club goals, please see the box immediately to the left. I would LOVE to help you! Your district board is here for YOU! Please utilize us, and always make sure you are receiving all the resources you need from the district level.

Serving with encouragement,

Tori Albarracin

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Illinois-Eastern Iowa District Governor



For the first time this year: Key Club Webinar

Have you recently been elected? Have you already been trained but still feel lost? Do you have questions about your position as a club officer? Key Club International is hosting its first ever webinar! The webinar's subject will be new club officer training.

A webinar is a workshop delivered over the Internet. Webinars are Key Club International's way of meeting our officers and members where they reside in their home districts—for us, this is Illinois-Eastern Iowa—with the information they need. Presidents and vice presidents, it is your job to take advantage of this webinar. I am REALLY looking forward to attending this world-wide event on May 25th at 8 p.m. Key Club International will have past Key Club members and



staff members available! No time to travel to a training session? Not a problem! Watch, learn, and enhance your knowledge of Key Club, your home club, and your ability to serve. This webinar is free and convenient. EVERYONE is welcome—officers, advisors, and members alike. Why attend this webinar? To learn how to be a better president or vice president. I hope you are striving to be the best president or vice president possible—this webinar will help! Register at the following link (in blue):

<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/555034370>

This summer, I hope YOU keep your clubs active!

Summer is a chance to relax and catch a break – but try not to forget about Key Club! I am encouraging all of you to stay active throughout this summer, because service is forever – people are always in need; there is always a need for service.

Try planning a service project with one of the other branches of the Kiwanis Family! It may be hard to attend Kiwanis meeting during the school year, but summer is the perfect time to get together with your sponsoring Kiwanis club. They would love to work with you! Is there a Circle K Club near your home club? Plan a service project with them! You can always plan a fundraiser, service project (car wash, homeless sleep-out, bake sale, and more), or host a small gathering with one of the other branches of the Kiwanis Family – Kiwanis, Circle K, Builders Club, K-Kids, and Aktion Club.

Don't forget to stay in touch with your Lieutenant Governor! Are you wondering who the Lt. Governor for your division is? Check out our district website! Go to www.ikeyclub.org, and click on "Directory," then click on "Lt. Governors." If you need more help, please let me know! Your Lt. Governor will definitely stay active this summer, so you should still be receiving newsletters and updates from him/her throughout the summer. Invite your Lt. Governor to a service project! Ask your Lt. Governor if he/she is holding a Divisional Council Meeting (DCM) or President Council Meeting (PCM). As the leaders of your club, it is your job to take some initiative and reach out to your Lt. Governors! They are here for YOU.

Also, don't forget to keep up with our service partners! See the next page for more information! Key Club International is partnered with UNICEF, March of Dimes, and Children's Miracle Network.

Check out the I-I Online!

Please visit our district website, www.ikeyclub.org ! We are very proud of our district, and we want YOU to see it, too! You will find links to our district history, club monthly reports, Executive Officers (see our new Executive Officer Pages!), Lieutenant Governors, and Adult Committee members. 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 "I-I Key Club" on Twitter. Look out for updates and encouragement within our main forms of social communication.

Putting the focus on Spastic Paralysis and Children's Miracle Network!

Spastic Paralysis: Our district's finest project and Children's Miracle Network: A proud sponsor of KCI

The Illinois-Eastern Iowa District of Key Club has worked with the Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation since 1980. 2010 marks the 30th year we have partnered with this program! The I-I District of Key Club International also works with the I-I District of Kiwanis International and Circle K International as we strive to assist researchers, fundraise money to promote new tools and research materials, and essentially make life better for those who deal with Spastic Paralysis on a day-to-day basis – We are one of the only districts that partners with other branches of the Kiwanis Family.

Spastic Paralysis is not simply one disease, but it is a broad term for a group of conditions that include Fragile X Syndrome, Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, and many more. These conditions affect the central nervous system and cause spasticity. We are proud to announce that YOU and your club can help! We work with the Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation, and this foundation gives grants to medical researchers within the I-I District. Typical grants are around \$20,000 and last for a three to five year period. 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! If you are in need of fundraising ideas, please let me know. All donations can be sent to District Administrator, Bob Hall at the following address:

Bob Hall
28 Candy Lane
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Key Club International is partnered with the Children's Miracle Network (CMN), a non-profit organization that raises money to benefit hospitalized kids and increases awareness of its member hospitals. All donations to CMN directly benefit hospitals. Working with CMN is a typical summer service project, and I am encouraging you to help raise funds and service children that are hospitalized. For more information visit www.keyclub.org and search "Children's Miracle Network," visit www.childrensmiracletnetwork.org, or let me know! All donations can be sent to Children's Miracle Network at the following address:

Children's Miracle Network
205 West 700 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

More questions? Visit www.iikeyclub.org or talk to me!



Think about it ...

“Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.”

“The miracle is not that we do this work, but that we are happy to do it.”

