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Did you hear the good news? Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow, which means there are only six more weeks of winter! Yet sometimes with the good comes the bad and sadly, the CKI term is coming to a close. These next few weeks should consist of achieving service, fellowship, and leadership goals your club identified in 2014. Also, club officers should start thinking of your successors and be sure to host executive board elections prior to District Convention. This month's edition of the Krier features events and updates leading up to District Convention.

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This year's convention will be held at the Double Tree Hotel in Monroeville, PA from March 27-29. To view the details and register for DCON check out the pacirclek.org website.



Important Dates:

- March 5th: Last day to reserve a hotel room (go to http://www.pacirclek.org/ event/district-convention/ for links to reserve online)
- March 11th: Last day to register online before prices go up! (\$100 full weekend, \$80 Saturday only, \$35 Sunday only)
- March 11th: Program Ad Orders must be sent to the District Office
- March 11th: First round of awards must be either scanned and emailed to Jackie (<u>liberty@pacirclek.org</u>), or mailed to the district office.
- March 17th: Last day that late registration will be accepted (\$105 full weekend, \$85 Saturday only, \$40 Sunday only)
- March 27th 8pm: Any awards from section 2 must be dropped off no later than 8pm at the Registration table at DCON

Important Information for Candidates:

All of the following information can be found in a more detailed manor in the candidates packet on www.pacirclek.org on the District Convention page under the Events tab

If you are interested in exploring your leadership skills consider running for a district board position! A complete explanation of each position can be found in the Candidates Packet on our website. Governor Heather would love to answer any questions so please reach out to her via email.

Positions you can run for at DCON: District Governor, District Secretary, District Editor, District Treasurer, and you may run to represent your division as a Lieutenant Governor. To find out what division you are in click on the Divisions and Clubs tab on our website.

In order to prepare yourself for running for a position please review the tips in the Candidates packet, as well as the possible fishbowl questions that may be asked of your during caucusing or House of Delegates.

March 13th: Anyone interested in running for a district board position is encouraged to formally announce their candidacy in an letter of intent that must be emailed to Governor Heather

March 27th 8pm: All District Board Candidates must drop off the two page Declaration of Candidacy at the Registration table at DCON DCON

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Why Should Your Club Buy an Ad?

Pennsylvania Circle K is selling space in the 2015 District Convention program in order to make the event more affordable for attendees. Purchasing an ad is a way to get your message over 300 people! Please refer to the Program Ad Order form for sizes and prices. Please direct all questions to Editor Shedane Shaw at <u>editor@pacirclek.org</u>

Congratulation Heather Christensen on the past year as Snowbelt Lieutenant Governor! We wish you the best of luck running for District Governor!





To my little girl, you are my

I'm so proud of all you all accomplished. You are undoubtedly inspired many people along the way. Your position and willingness to help others is unquestionable and absolute. I know you will continue to inspire people for vears to come including me. Thank you for all you do. Love Mickey

pride and joy! I have always been so proud of you. You have always had a passion for school and volunteering, and you alway put 100% into anything you touch. Heather, you are truly blessed by God, but I think I'm blessed just have you in my life. I know that you will be successful to the absolute fullest. Thank you for everything you have done thus far in life , and keep shorten for the stars! Love Mommy

FAQs

What is an ad?

• An ad can be one of three sizes and it goes in the program that is handed out to everyone at convention

Why Purchase an ad?

- Celebrate the achievement of your club
- Say farewell and good luck to seniors
- Thank your club officers, the district board, your sponsoring Kiwanis club, and your advisor
- Recognize a hard working member
- Promote your business or school
- Showcase a service project of your clubs

Who can purchase an ad?

- Your clubs: everyone can pitch in to purchase one to say thanks to officers or wish seniors luck in their next endeavors
- Your family: send the order form to your parents, grandparents, or your significant other and they can purchase one to congratulate you on all of your hard work and wish you luck in the future.
- You can: Purchase one for your friends to remember all the great memories you made during the past year in Circle K

How to purchase an ad?

• Fill out the ad order form and sent in a check! Order Forms can be found on the website

The District wants to know what your club achieved this year! An ad is a great way to do this.

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Governor Heather Christensen

"As Governor my role is to lead the members of the District Board, address the concerns of clubs, as well as to report our successes to the International Board. Over this past year I have learned that great leaders come in all shapes and sizes. I have had the opportunity to meet so many amazing Circle K members from all over our district, as well as all over the world and they have shown me that there is no cookie cutter form of a leader. Every member has leadership skills and they use their skills in a different manor. My best achievement this year has been having the ability to share my passion for Circle K with others and watch them become passionate about this organization and the difference we can I have had the pleasure of watching new make. members transform into wonderful leaders. One of my ongoing goals is to raise \$2,000 for the Eliminate Project by educating members and fundraising at the club and district level."

Editor Shedane Shaw

"As the District Editor, my duties entail publishing multiple editions of the Krier, creating the program for DCON, attending and hosting district events, and completing any other task assigned by the district governor. The time I have spent in office I have learned the importance of communication and having the ability to be flexible. I would say the board functions 85% of the time online and it is important to be able to adapt to these changing work environments. I hope to excel in creating a creative, fun, and artistic program for DCON seeing that this is one of my final assignments as editor. I have set my standards high and I am hoping for the best."

A Message from the District Board

Secretary Melissa Campbell

"As District Secretary, I calculate the total amount of service hours the district performs, the total amount of interclass, as well as the total amount of k-family relations events. I am also in charge of keeping minutes at all executive board meetings and keeping track of which clubs turn in monthly report forms. I have learned so much this past year as District Secretary, but the most important thing I've learned throughout this experience is better communication skills. My greatest achievement would probably be becoming District Secretary, but outside of Circle K, my greatest achievement is getting up the courage to do a solo for my dance recital last fall. One goal I am still trying to achieve, and will always continue to try to achieve, is to infuse as much of the passion I have as I can into each and every member of the organizations I am part of."

Liberty LTG Jackie Briguglio

"As the Liberty Divisions LTG, this year I have learned about the internals of Circle K. I had the opportunity to visit the District Office, attend different club meetings, and plan a bunch of major events for the District and my Division. One of my biggest achievements was reworking the Awards Packet for this years DCON. I put in a ton of work to make sure that everything was included in the packet this year. Hopefully, it will make the packet easier for future board members! I hope to continue to work with clubs to learn about Let's Smile. It's really important to talk about mental health at the college level and fight the stigma that many people face when it comes to depression."

Click Here for more details

Snowbelt Division Spring Serve

Clarion Dodgeball Tournament

Date: Friday, February 20, 2015

Time: 5:00PM- 9:00PM

Where: 183 Wilson Ave, Clarion Pa 16214 (Rec Room)

Click Here for more details

Teams of 4-6 people Member pay \$5 to participate and all proceeds will be donated to the Make a Wish Foundation

Member Spotlight

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Emily Romig

Emily Romig is a sophomore majoring in Strategic Communication with minors in Sociology and Creative Writing at Clarion University. Her favorite thing about CKI is the family aspect and feeling like you have a family no matter where you go. Clarion University will be holding Wish Week starting February 17, which includes a zumbathon, a volleyball tournament, a

basketball tournament, and a dodgeball tournament. This was is being made possible in part by the PACK Cash granted to Clarion University.

Events

Liberty Division Spring Serve

Date: Saturday, February 14, 2015

Time: 11:00AM- 1:00PM

Where: Care Pavilion, 6212 Walnut St, Philadelphia PA

Click Here for sign up

West Chester Volleyball Tournament

Date: Saturday, Feb 21, 2015

Time: 1:00PM

Where: Hollinger Field House, West Chester University

West Chester, Pennsylvania 19383

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Foundation Scholarships

Since its inception in 1985, the Pennsylvania Kiwanis Foundation's Scholarship Program has awarded over \$250,000 in scholarships and grants to over 200 individuals.



Information on the 2015 scholarships are posted on the Pennsylvania Kiwanis Foundation Website- <u>www.pkfonline.org</u>

These scholarships include:

- * Neiman Endowed Graduate Scholarships
- Kiwanian Dependent Child Scholarship
- * Circle K Scholarship- One Year

* Key Club Scholarships- Four Year

***** Key Club Scholarship- One Year

Applications are Due by Wednesday, April 1^{5T}

New This Year: Scholarship applications may be submitted online!

Contact the PKF Scholarship Committee at <u>scholarship@pkfonline.org</u> if you have any questions.



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With the Eliminate Project

The Eliminate Project is a joint effort between Kiwanis and UNICEF to help eliminate the world of Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus, a deadly disease steals the lives of nearly 60,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year. To eliminate MNT from the Earth, more than 100 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. It will take US\$110 million — and the dedicated work of UNICEF and every member of the Kiwanis family.

As of October 1, 2013, Circle K International has contributed US \$178,527.87 towards The Eliminate Project.

Valentine's Day is your opportunity to show your love towards significant others, friends, family, and other Kiwanis Family branches, while also helping save and/or protect a mother and her children. With your help, we hope to raise US\$27,000 this February and save over 15,000 lives!

The "Show Your Love, Save A Life" events outlined in the <u>fundraising guide</u> include:

- ElimiDate speed-dating fundraiser
 A Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction in 12 Easy Steps
- Dance to Eliminate for Valentine's Day Valentine's Day Dinner Guide



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"Unless someone like you cares a whole lot, nothing is going to get better. Its not"

-Dr. Seuss

For information regarding dues, preferred charities, fall training, district convention, and InterPACK please refer to our website at www.pacirclek.org, the CKI website at www.pacirclek.org, and/or take advantage of the contact information listed above.

