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OFFICER TRAINING IS UNDERWAY

Are you a new officer and unsure how to do your job? Good news! Club Officer Training, or COT, is happening now and throughout the summer. We just held our first session for Presidents and Vice Presidents on May 21st. We are planning on sessions for secretaries, treasurers, and editors in June. Additional training opportunities will be available for those who can't make it to the first offering.



Benefits of Club Officer Training

Understand the responsibilities of your job

Meet officers from other Pennsylvania Circle K Clubs

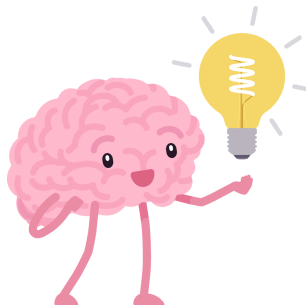
Ask questions and learn about what other clubs are doing

Learn about Circle K history, the Kiwanis Family, and member benefits

Membership recruitment and retention tips and tricks

Be a distinguished officer

Set your club up for the future



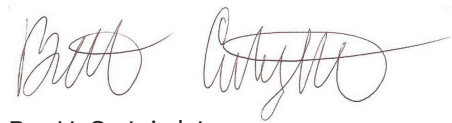
LETTER FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Hi Everyone! I hope your summers are off to a great start and that you'll be able to take some time to relax during your breaks. Welcome to another edition of *The Krier*. I may have forgotten to introduce what *The Krier* is. It is the official publication for Pennsylvania Circle K! *The Krier* is used to share District news, spotlight club projects and accomplishments, and educate member. I will do my best to keep *The Krier* fun, short, and easy to digest.

Summer can be a tricky time for Circle K. Don't be afraid to check in with your members and catch up. Keep track of your summer service hours as they still count towards the year. Also, take some time to check in with your officers and plan for the fall semester. Do you have an activities fair table? Do you have ideas for service projects? Fundraisers? Socials? We have started to roll out a training schedule for all club officers. Please check your emails for any future dates if you can't make the next training.

If you have any suggestions for *The Krier*, please feel free to share them with me.

Until next time, try to keep cool!



Brett Cutright
District Administrator



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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2026!



Above: Drexel's graduating seniors with their advisor.

MEET THE PRESIDENTS (PART I)

Pennsylvania Circle K has 12 active clubs represented by Presidents on the District Board. This will be a continuing segment of introducing the Pennsylvania Circle K Club Presidents.



Major Health Sciences (Pre-Physician Assistant) with an Epidemiology minor

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History 4 years in Key Club, Starting 5 years in Circle K (2X Editor and President)

Favorite Service Project Philadelphia Hot Chocolate Run, Making hygiene kits for a local women's shelter and finals kits for Drexel students

Sheetz / Wawa Wawa

Junk Food Almond Joys and Baked Lays

Movie Project Hail Mary

Why did you join Circle K? When moving to college, I had a difficult time adjusting to a completely new environment and lifestyle. From my time in Key Club, I knew how easy it was to build a family with those who care about serving our community. Joining Circle K was one of the easiest decisions I have ever made, and I am so grateful to have made amazing friends and make a difference.

Major Biology (Pre-Med) with minors in Interdisciplinary Studies and Chemistry

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History 4 years in Key Club (Web Editor, Vice President, President), Starting 3 years in Circle K (2X Recruitment and Orientation Chair, President)

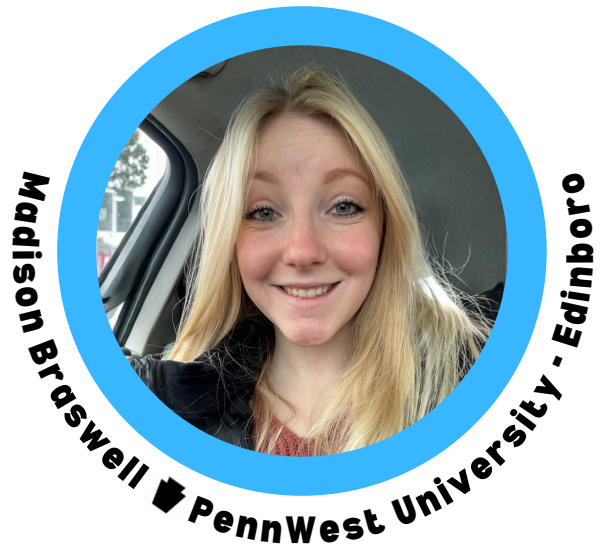
Favorite Service Project Senior Prom at Edinboro Manor for elderly residents

Sheetz / Wawa Sheetz

Junk Food Tortilla Chips and Queso

TV Show Supernatural and Survivor

Why did you join Circle K? I have always had a passion for serving my community. From a young age, around seven years old, I would accompany my mother to her Kiwanis service events and help however I could. It continues to bring me a great sense of joy and fulfillment. I cannot imagine not being involved in one of the Kiwanis family organizations.



MEET THE PRESIDENTS (PART I)

Major Psychology and Political Science

Year Junior

Kiwanis Family History 3 years in Key Club (President), Starting 3 years in Circle K (2X President)

Favorite Service Project Partnering with our local domestic violence shelter

Sheetz / Wawa Wawa

Junk Food Ice Cream

Movie The Notebook

Why did you join Circle K? I loved being part of Key Club in high school and wanted to continue to be part of the Kiwanis Family in college.



Major Political Science with a minor in Creative and Professional Writing

Year Sophomore

Kiwanis Family History Starting 2 years in Circle K (Treasurer and President)

Favorite Service Project Greensburg Easter Egg Hunt

Sheetz / Wawa Neither

Junk Food Anything with chocolate

Musical Artist Aurora

Why did you join Circle K? I wanted to join a club my freshman year and with Circle K, I can give back to the local community and people whether through community service or projects! I also feel part of a group and have met great people which was a bonus!



Major Business Administration and Decision Science

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History Starting 3 years in Circle K (Secretary and President)

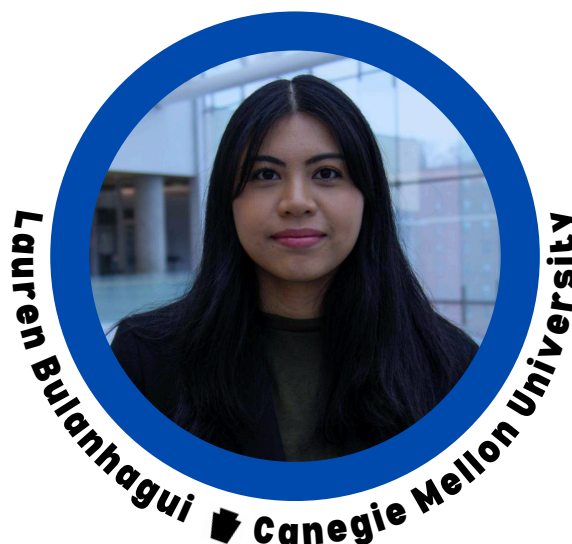
Favorite Service Project Making paracord bracelets

Sheetz / Wawa Wawa

Junk Food Pizza

TV Show Lucifer

Why did you join Circle K? I wanted to help give back to the local Pittsburgh community.



MEET THE PRESIDENTS (PART I)

Major Biology with a Biochemistry minor

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History Starting 3 years in Circle K (2X President)

Favorite Service Project Making Trick-or-Treat gift bags for kids at the UPMC Family Care Connection Center

Sheetz / Wawa Sheetz

Junk Food Jalapeno Poppers

TV Show The Office

Why did you join Circle K? I joined to do accessible service for the local area



Major Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Engineering Leadership Development

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History Starting 4 years in Circle K (Fellowship Chair, Social Media Chair, President)

Favorite Service Project Shaver's Creek Environmental Center

Sheetz / Wawa Wawa

Junk Food Oreos

TV Show Superstore

Why did you join Circle K? To make a difference in the community and get to know others who have the same love for service!



Major Chemical Engineering with minors in Spanish and Dance

Year Senior

Kiwanis Family History 3 years in Key Club (President), Starting 3 years in Circle K (2X President)

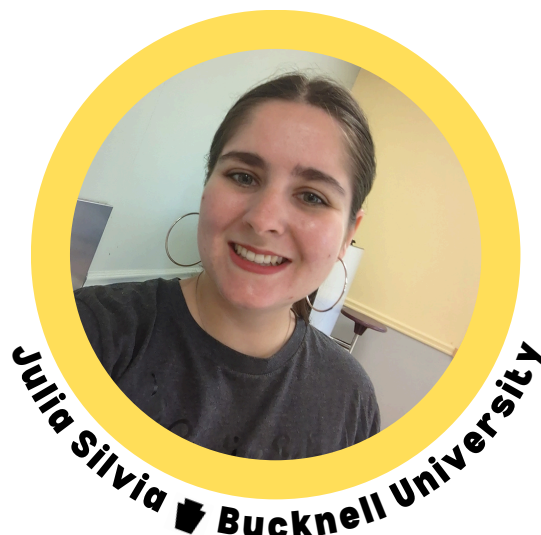
Favorite Service Project Dance Marathon for March of Dimes

Sheetz / Wawa Sheetz

Junk Food Popcorn

Movie Anything Marvel related

Why did you join Circle K? To serve my community and I loved Key Club!



BRICK X BRICK & CKI

Brick x Brick is a project sponsored by UNICEF with the help of Circle K International. Its goal is to transform plastic waste into bricks for classrooms in the West African nation of Côte d'Ivoire. Côte d'Ivoire is known for its northern savannas, southern rainforests, and coast along the Gulf of Guinea. It is most famous today as a leading cocoa producer and historically for elephants and ivory. Formerly known as Ivory Coast, the country adopted a no translation law in 1986 that prohibited the use of their anglicized name.

About Côte d'Ivoire

Population: 31.5 million

Capital: Yamoussoukro

Largest City: Abidjan

Official Language: French

Independence: 7 August 1960
(from France)

Area: 124,503 sq mi (similar to Poland or Norway)

Official Animal: African Elephant

Largest exports: Cocoa, Oil, Rubber, and Gold



Why Côte d'Ivoire?

Around 1.6 million children do not attend school due to the lack of classrooms, proper sanitation, and health services.

In 2015, only 53% of men and 33% of women were literate.

The project's goals will contribute to a cleaner planet, alleviate poverty for families, and provide safe spaces for children to learn and play.

BRICK X BRICK & CKI

Brick x Brick in Action

Ivorian women in local communities are hired to collect plastic waste. This is recycled into durable plastic bricks and building materials to build classrooms across the country.

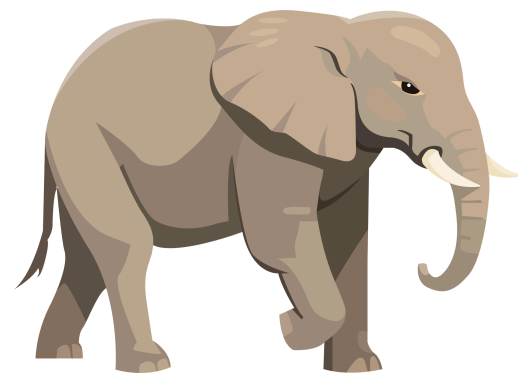
Right: An example of a plastic brick.



As of 2024, UNICEF and Brick x Brick has been able to build 410 classrooms, with another 83 under construction.

These collective efforts from all donors have enabled the total recycling of 3,195.5 tons of plastic.

Teachers have been trained, access to improved hygiene and infection prevention and control has increased, and 10,534 learning kits



Above: A construction worker builds a school with plastic bricks from Brick x Brick.



\$5.00 provides 25 bars of soap to support improved hygiene and infection prevention and control

\$10.80 provides three students a UNICEF backpack to organize and carry their school supplies

\$24.00 provides five plastic bricks for school construction

\$110.00 could support the construction of a latrine stall at a school

\$48,000 could support the cost of building one classroom from plastic bricks as well as help provide textbooks, latrines, teacher training, and much more

2026-2027 DISTRICT GOALS

Every year, the District Board sets goals for the upcoming year. This year we are planning for the following goals. With education, ideas, and enthusiasm, I think we can get these done!



200 Members

2,700 Service Hours

15 Clubs

25 Members at InterPACK

35 Members at DCON



DUES UPDATE

Here is an update on clubs that have paid dues as of 05/22/2026. Remember you can continue to pay dues for new members.

School	Members
Bucknell	10
Carnegie Mellon	10
Drexel	25
Duquesne	Unpaid
East Stroudsburg	Unpaid
Elizabethtown	7
King's	1
Lycoming	10
Penn State - University Park	14
Penn West - Edinboro	16
Susquehanna	6
Pittsburgh - Greensburg	21
Scranton	15
Total	135

INSTAGRAM

Are you following PA Circle K and Circle K International on Instagram? Make sure to follow the handles below!



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@circlekintl

Use the following hashtags to let CKI know what your club has been up to!

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Tag **@pacirclek** in your posts too so we can like and follow your club's activities!