

4 Our Communities

The Official Newsletter of Division 4

Spring Newsletter

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From the Desk of Lt. Governor Michael



Dear Division 4,

My time as your lieutenant governor is coming to an end. As of April 1st, my successor Fallon Blacharski will be taking over this office. Serving as your lieutenant governor has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, and I will never forget all of the great people I have been fortunate to meet.

Inside the last edition of volume 1 of *4 Our Communities* you will learn more about your incoming lieutenant governor, some of the great feats our division has accomplished over the past year, learn more about what an international trustee is, meet our incoming lieutenant governor, and discover what the Key Club preferred charities are.

Since the 2013-2014 Key Club year is coming to a close, I invite you all to look back and reflect upon the lives you've changed and all the good you have done. In doing so much great work for our communities, it is important not to forget to celebrate our accomplishments.

With that being said, please enjoy the last edition of our newsletter for the Key Club year. It is with a heavy heart that I bid you adieu, Division 4.

Forever Yours in Service,

Michael Rovner

Upcoming Events and Important Reminders

Key Leader

April 25-27, 2014
Camp Greenkill
Huguenot, NY

Improve your leadership skills.
Visit www.key-leader.org to
learn more or to register today!

Walk to Benefit KPTC

Sunday, April 6th, 2014...9 AM to 12 PM

North Shore High School Track
450 Glen Cove Avenue
Glen Head, NY 11545

Key Club International Convention

June 30th, 2014 to July 6th, 2014 in Anaheim, CA
(Departing Anaheim on the evening of July 6th arriving home the morning
of July 7th.)

(Some of) Division 4's Accomplishments from the 2013-2014 Key Club Year



- Raising \$1376 for the Cancer Center for Kids at Winthrop University Hospital.
- Record breaking participation in divisionals.
- Participating in Kiwanis First Lady Carole Aiello's Treats for Troops Project
- 0 inactive or suspended clubs.

but...the most impressive accomplishment of all:

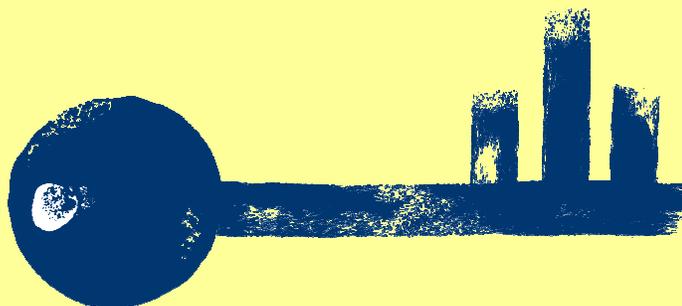
- The thousands of hours of service performed and the thousands of dollars raised by this division as a result of the efforts of each individual club.



Meet your Incoming Lieutenant Governor

By: Fallon Blacharski

Hello Division 4, I am Fallon Blacharski Lieutenant Governor elect of Division 4. I am excited to start with a great division. Being in Key Club for the past three years I am already making to plans for our division. Becoming Lieutenant Governor is an exciting thing for me. Key Club is something I also care about a lot and want to be a successful Lieutenant Governor and have a great division behind me. I have learned about many of the responsibilities within Key Club when I went to ICON this past summer. There is something about Key Club that is just inspiring to me and that I never want to stop. I want to help as much as I can in every club in the division and get to know who everyone is. I have big plans and ideas for this division. Besides that, I would love to learn about each club and what is going on with them to assist them as best as I can.



What is I. T. ?

Key Club is an organization that is truly student led from the top down. On the international level, Key Club is run by 11 international trustees (IT's), the international president (IP), and the international vice-president (IVP).

The international trustees form a crucial link between Key Club International and each of the districts. Every trustee is assigned three districts, which collectively are known as the "sister districts." New York's international trustee is Michelle Petersen who is from the Michigan District, and New York's sister districts are the Capital District, Ohio District, and the Rocky Mountain District.

In some ways, an international trustee is analogous to a lieutenant governor. A trustee serves as a link between his or her districts and Key Club International, while a lieutenant governor serves as a link between his or her division and his or her district. Both trustees and lieutenant governors serve on committees on their respective boards. Lastly, both positions come with many responsibilities, but many unique and fulfilling rewards.

International trustees travel many times throughout their term. They are required to visit each of their sister districts at least once, which often means flying cross country and giving up their weekend. During the spring, a trustee is required to attend each of his sister district conventions as well as his own district convention. This means that an international trustee is obligated to spend four weekends in the span of about a month at conventions!

If you are interested in learning more about international trustees or any of the other international board positions, visit <http://keyclub.org/Leadership/ls/intnllevel.aspx> or e-mail our international trustee, Michelle Petersen.



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Key Club Preferred Charities

Those of you who have been reading *4 Our Communities* will have no doubt noticed that Key Club loves to promote certain charities. Some of the charities, such as the Kiwanis Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation and Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center are organizations that were born out of Kiwanis. Other organizations such as this year's District Projects (including JDRF, the American Cancer Society, the Wounded Warrior Project, and the Alzheimer's Association) are selected by the New York District and change each year. There is another category of charities promoted by Key Club. These are the Key Club International Preferred Charities. In no particular order these charities are Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, March of Dimes, and UNICEF.

Unlike the District Projects which change every year and are promoted by the New York District of Key Club, the Preferred Charities are promoted by Key Club International and do not change. Each of these organizations does great work and serves in the spirit of Key Club's Major Emphasis: "Children: Their Future, Our Focus."

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals is a nonprofit organization that raises money to benefit hospitalized children. With the rising cost of healthcare, CMN Hospitals works to ensure that children have access to life-saving care at their large network of hospitals nationwide. Donations are used to purchase state-of-the-art equipment, train staff, conduct research, implement outreach programs, and subsidize the care of children who would otherwise be unable to afford treatment. There are many ways to help the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. Perhaps the easiest way is to organize a fundraiser. CMN Hospitals is a nonprofit organization that relies on donations to fulfill its mission. Other ways to get involved are to hold a toy drive or volunteer in one of the CMN hospitals. Cohen Children's Hospital in New Hyde Park is a CMN hospital. Visit www.childrensmiraclenetworkhospitals.org to learn more.

The mission of March of Dimes is "to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality." Many Key Clubs across the nation participate in one of the namesake walks to raise money for the cause. Your club does not actually have to march to help. The proceeds from any fundraiser can be donated to the March of Dimes to help the cause. Celebrating Prematurity Awareness Month in November and raising awareness of premature birth within your community is another way to get involved. For more information, please visit www.marchofdimes.com.

Key Club and UNICEF have a partnership dating back to 1994. Every October thousands of Key Clubbers participate in UNICEF's annual Trick-or-Treat campaign. All funds raised help UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, in its mission of ensuring that children receive primary healthcare, basic education, safe water, and sanitation across the globe. Since 2011, Key Club and UNICEF have partnered together to eliminate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus in the EliMiNaTe Project. The easiest way for clubs to help UNICEF is to fundraise for the cause. For more information, please visit www.UNICEF.org.



Important Links and Information



Visit our division website,
nydkcdivision4.weebly.com

Fill out paperwork, read back issues of *4 Our Communities*, see when our next divisional is, see what upcoming events there are, and learn more about Key Club! There is so much information up there and I am constantly updating it!

Connect with Key Club
on Facebook

On Facebook search

1. New York District Key Club
2. New York District Key Club Division 4



More Links!

1. Key Club International:
www.keyclub.org
2. New York District Key Club:
www.nydkc.org
3. Key Club App (iOS):
<http://bit.ly/z7iPd9>
4. Key Club App (Android):
<http://bit.ly/14GXRKC>

Charities endorsed by
the New York District

1. Alzheimer's Association
2. JDRF
3. American Cancer Society
4. Wounded Warrior Project
5. Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center
6. Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation
7. Kamp Kiwanis
8. EliMiNaTe



Governor's Project

Nurturing our K-Family

Any project done in conjunction with another K-Family Club (i.e. Kiwanis, K-Kids, Builders Club, etc.) contributes to the Governor's Project.



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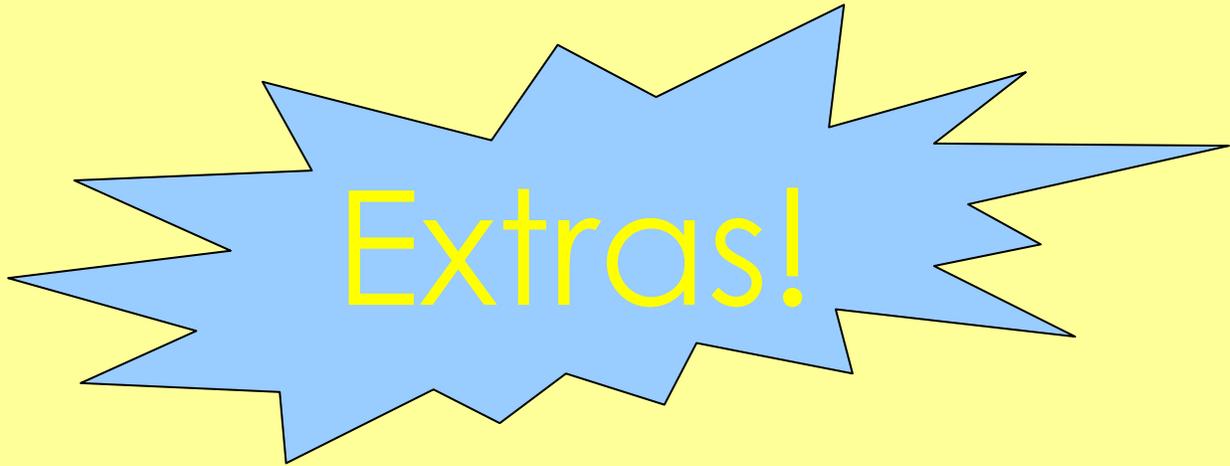
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1. Anaheim
2. lieutenant governor
3. convention
4. The Desmond
5. Single Service Project
6. Awards Booklet
7. president
8. club
9. Eliminate
10. service



Thank you for reading, and
thank you for a memorable
year Division 4!

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