

Squirrel World ... In a Nutshell

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Come fly away with Service and Region 15!

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Have something to say? Submit an article to Karinne Cusenza at karinnecaroline@gmail.com!

Don't forget to attend the next DCM, the details of which will be decided at the February DCM



Flying Squirrel AHHHHHHHH!

Greetings from The Villa restaurant in Santa Rosa California, The Villa is the location of my sponsoring Kiwanis Club's weekly meeting. It is difficult to believe that I am already planning Conclave, an event where the next LTG, my replacement, will be found. It seems like just yesterday I was standing in front of the division at my own conclave. This year has flown by and at times has left me frustrated and unsure about the choices I have made in leading Region 15; however, all and all it has been one of the best experiences of my life. Please choose wisely when selecting the next person who will take over.

Flying with love of Service,
Karinne Cusenza



Cloverdale gets a Builders Club and some future Key Clubbers

Article Submitted By: Gabi Ruiz, Cloverdale Key Club President

Some of you may recall reading last month's newsletter where Eric Perez wrote about our relationship with Builders Club and our effort to try and establish a bond together. Well, recently we attended their Charter Dinner, which they served; and Eric and I had the honor of presenting to the presidents their club banner. We are very proud of their work as a club so far. It was a lot of fun to be able to share such a special moment with both our clubs; and I know they appreciated this sign of our commitment. We had ten of our members at the event! We explained to them the significance of the banner and how it recognizes their achievements as not only a club, but also as part of the Kiwanis family. The presidents were very happy and eager to start collecting patches to show their achievements. Being able to see younger kids have such a spark and interest in volunteer work is very exciting, because we know one day they will be in our shoes. They are a very excellent group who are hard working and enjoy serving others. Now that we have established a stable relationship with each other, we hope that they will feel comfortable asking for our help and support. Having a club similar to Key Club but with younger kids, is an extraordinary thing because, although there may be many differences between us, the most important thing is that everyone shares a love for service.

District Convention is just around the corner

DCON, or District Convention is approaching faster than many of you may think; it is April 9th to April 11th. That means now is the time to get in contact with your Kiwanis and faculty advisors for financial and chaperoning support. DCON is where the next divisional LTG will be inducted and the Cali-Nev-Ha executives will be chosen. It is also where club officers and general members receive training in order to be able to be stronger and better Key Club leaders when they go back to their clubs at home.



February Divisional Council Meeting Agenda

- I. Introduction
 - I. Call to Order
 - II. Roll Call
 - III. Pledge of Allegiance
 - IV. Key Club Pledge
 - V. Introduction of Guests
- I. Division Business
 - i. Lt. Governor Report
 - ii. Club Updates/Introduction of Members and Officers
 - iii. Kiwanis Report
 - iv. DCON
 - v. March of Dimes
 - vi. Newsletter Article Submission
 - vii. Review of Newsletter
 - viii. March DCM
 - ix. Picture Submissions and their importance
 - x. Conclave (see agenda below)
 - xi. Service Project and MRF training
- II. Declaration of Candidacy
- III. Open Forum
- IV. Adjournment

Division 32 Conclave Agenda

- I. Call to order
- II. Candidate Speeches
- III. Caucusing Session
- IV. Voting
- V. Counting of Ballots
- VI. Announcement of New LTG

March of Dimes/March for Babies

- Every day 1 in 8 babies born in the U.S. arrive too soon. Key Clubbers are helping by raising funds annually for March of Dimes programs to help prevent prematurity.
- The March of Dimes currently focuses on two major goals in their Prematurity Campaign:
 - Raising awareness of prematurity
 - Reducing the rate of premature births
- Key Club International began partnering with the March of Dimes in the 1960s by holding dances, car washes, and bake sales to raise funds for medical research into birth defects. Key Clubbers around the world remember collecting dimes in hopes that someday children would be born free of birth defects. Today, Key Club members still collect change to support the March of Dimes.



KIWANIS EVENTS

These events are extremely important for you to attend to be building bonds with your sponsors.

KEY CLUB DCMS

These events are also important to attend. It is here that I can answer in person questions, and set up ways to help you.

SERVICE

This should seem like a “no brainer” to continue doing. However, with the stresses of life, it can be forgotten. Keep it up!

USE THE WEBSITE

This is one resource more of you should be using. While there take some time to fill out some of the quizzes.

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