

Morrison's Monthly

SEPTEMBER SERVICE

Hello Division One and Two Key Clubbers!

As school begins, so should your weekly Key Club meetings! Although it can be difficult to find a time when everyone is able to meet, try to do so at least once a week. If there is too much time between meetings, members often forget when the meetings are and momentum is lost. Try meeting on the same day every week at the same time. If you are a new president and are new to leading meetings, try using this simple format.

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance and Key Club Pledge
- 2) Review of what has been done in the past week
- 3) Plans for the coming week

If it is simply impossible to meet every week, make a Facebook, blog spot, or text message group where information is distributed. Also, keep in mind that your members are fresh to Key Club and excited to get to work. Use this momentum and vigor to your advantage and get started on projects quickly. Here is an idea for a simple fall project:

Rake in the leafy green:

You have to do it anyway. Why not get sponsors for every bag you fill with leaves in your own yard and for others? One bag = US\$1.80 and one woman vaccinated. Raking is exercise. It's eco-friendly and builds community. When you and your club's Service Leadership Programs rake yards for others at US\$ 18./yard, more than 10 lives saved, plus per bag-sponsorship. Crown the Leaf King and Leaf Queen at your November meeting. Find more ideas on page three.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Morrison

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Things you **NEED** to Do!!

DIRECTORIES:

It is **MANDATORY** that all clubs send in a directory of their officers. You must do so as soon as possible. Go to <http://www.newenglandkeyclub.org> and click on the blue box in the upper left portion on the screen that is labeled 'submit club directory'. Enter the required information and submit. If you are unsure about some information, just submit what you do know and contact me so that I can get the information to you. It is VERY important that you submit your directory as soon as possible.

SECRETARY REPORTS:

All club secretaries: you must include all business pertaining to the previous months in your October secretary reports.

COME TO THE OCM:

An Officers Council Meeting will be held at 2:00 on Sunday, September 21 at Foxcroft Academy. At the minimum, one officer must come from each club, but the more people that come the better. There will be food, games and ...of course lots of fun. So please please attend.



Remember you have many new members so be sure to let them know what key club is all about..

leadership

Friendship

inclusiveness

Helping

caring

character

building



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 26-28 Camp Calumet, Ossipee, NH

Upcoming Events

GET READY TO TRICK-OR-TREAT FOR UNICEF

Save millions of families—and your teeth—this Halloween when you forgo candy and collect money. From now through 2015, all Kiwanis-family funds raised through Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF will support The Eliminate Project. Each US\$1.80 raised will help save or protect one woman and her future babies from MNT.

The big night is spookily close, less than two months away, so plan your fundraiser now. Host a Halloween-themed carnival, a zombie walk, an apple-bobbing contest, horrorfest, pumpkin smash, “Twilight” dance, trick or treat or even a pumpkin pie baking contest. There are a frightful number of ways to raise money, but only if you plan ahead.

Supplies will be mailed in September to clubs that participated the past two years. If your club name is not on the list, you can order Trick-or-Treat supplies from the Kiwanis-family store after September 6.

Contact The Eliminate Project campaign office at +1-317-217-6213 or campaign@TheEliminateProject.org with questions.

September Service

TEACHER TUG-O-WAR

To do list:

Sell it to the school administration. Get permission (and possibly a commitment to participate) from the school’s principal and advisors—because you’ll need a hole dug and filled with water on school property.

Sell it to the staff. You’ll need to recruit two teams of teachers and other staff members. Make sure the team members wear old clothes and shoes and bring a change of clothes for afterwards.

Sell it to the students. Publicize the event, its fundraising purpose and its price: US\$2 to get out of class to watch the tug-of-war.

Dig in. On the day of the event, have the maintenance department dig a hole on school property and fill it with water. The hole can just be refilled after the event.

Educate people. Before the event starts, make a short speech about The Eliminate Project so the kids understand that while they’re out there watching fun, they are also helping others.

Put your own twist on it: You could pit the school’s sports teams against each other, or incorporate the contest into another larger event.

Don’t forget: An event price of US\$2 makes it easy for students to understand that each of them is saving or protecting one woman and her future babies.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 31, 2014: Trick or Treat for UNICEF

REMINDERS:

- **Don't forget to send a directory of your newly elected officials to the NED board.**
- Secretaries: business pertaining to the summer months should be included in your October 10 secretary's report.
- You should be starting you weekly Key Club meetings.

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