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Editor's Note

Hello Key Club members,

Welcome to my second edition of **Danny's Directory**, the official publication of the Nebraska-Iowa Key Club. I hope lots of you had the chance to jump into Key Club events, like Fall Rally or Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF. The year is officially started and I can't wait to see what the rest of it entails.



Since my last publication, I have been busy working with the PPP committee, to keep everyone up to date on everything Nebraska-Iowa Key Club. Stay in touch on our socials for more updates!

Please enjoy the bulletin and never be afraid to reach out for any questions!!

Connect

Do you run a club's social media? DM the district Instagram account to collaborate with the District Board!!! (@neiakeyclub)



Governor's Message

Hello, Nebraska-Iowa Key Club!

The district board is now more than halfway through our term, and I am beyond proud of our progress. Between the summer and fall, we have accomplished all the following and more!

- Invited general club members to serve on district committees
- Had over 100 attendees across Fall Rallies
- Started a "Sister-Club" pilot program
- Initiated the chartering of 5 clubs
- Drafted a district strategic plan that will be in place for 2025-2030
- Promote Key Club International campaigns

As we transition into winter, we will focus our efforts to plan the best District Convention at the January Board meeting and growing our membership. Thank you for your energy and passion during the Key Club kick-off season, and I look forward to continuing to connect with you all.

Yours in friendship and service,

Wenjun Liu



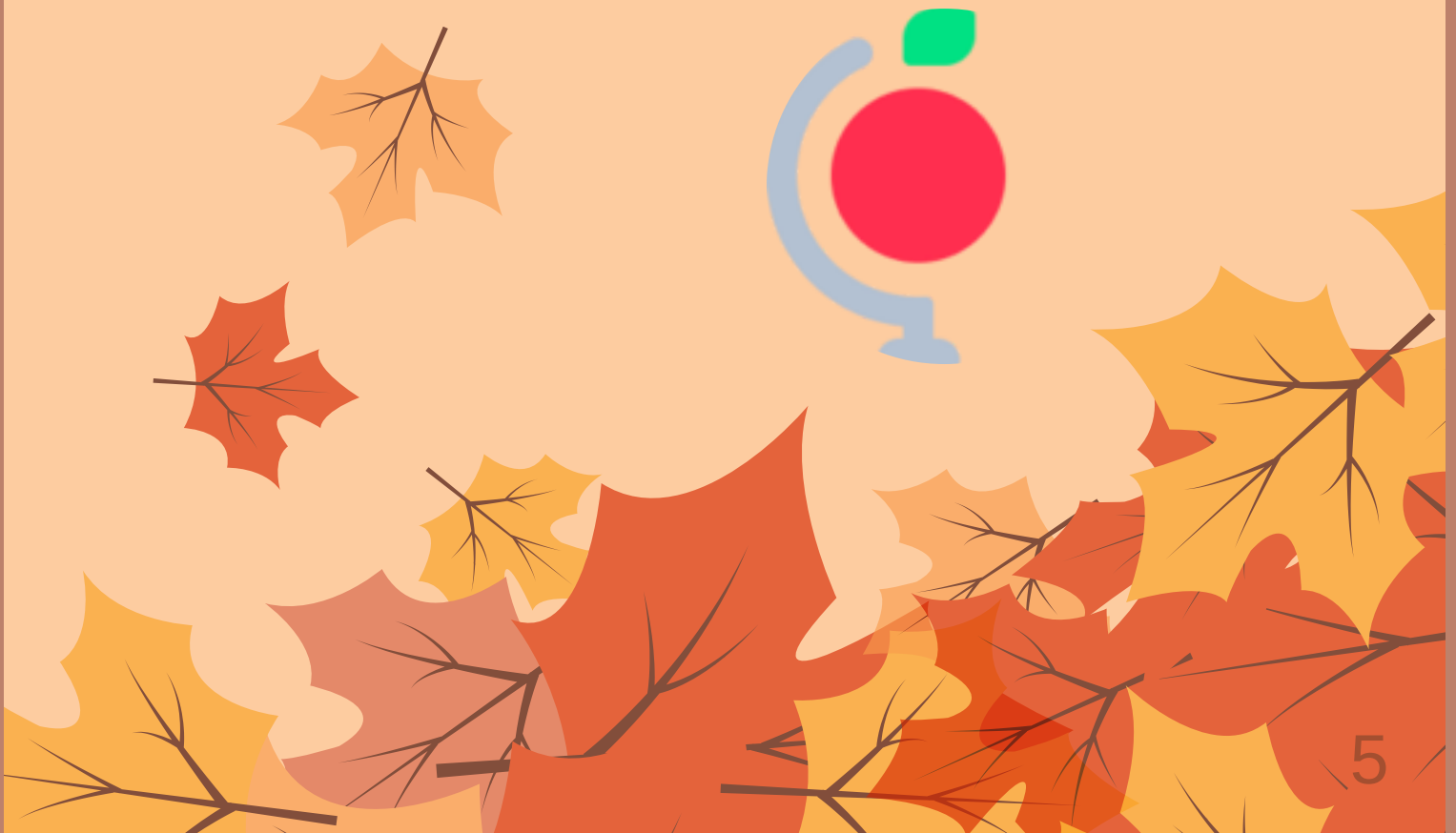
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Feel free to reach out to me with any questions regarding dues, chartering/rechartering, district/international initiatives, and more! My emails, phone, and Instagram dms (@wenjunliuu) are always open.

Governor's Project

This year, for my Governor's Project, I'm taking a different approach to the usual fundraiser model. I'm partnering with Schoolhouse, a Key Club International partner dedicated to reducing education inequalities. Schoolhouse is a platform founded by Sal Kahn (Yes, Kahn Academy, Sal Kahn) that allows students to tutor or learn various subjects. My project, **Learn and Lead Initiative: Nebraska-Iowa Key Club for Accessible Education**, encourages students to become tutors on Schoolhouse and boost Area spirit by hosting tutoring drives.

I'm hosting tutoring drives, a way for areas and clubs to compete in friendly competition for the most tutoring hours and involvement. This project mirrors a Key Club International campaign, Tutor-A-Thon, but on a district scale. I am waiting for Schoolhouse to send out resources to districts on how we can best support them, so stay tuned for more information!



International Update

2024-2025 International Board



Message from our International Trustee

Hello, Nebraska-Iowa District!

My name is Mohammed Ali Al-Sabeh, and

I am so proud to serve as your International

Trustee for the 2024-2025 service year! This year, the

International Board has created a challenge to commemorate

Key Club's 100th anniversary: The Centennial Challenge!

Although this is a recognition given to districts, YOU can

still help your district win. Go to keyclub.org/centennial-challenge

to view all of the criteria. Also, one of Key Club's biggest events is almost here:

The Global Engagement Rally! GER is an online event where Key Club members

from over 40 countries come together to learn how to make an impact in their

community. Register now at keyclub.org/GER! Thank you, Nebraska-Iowa District

for your dedication to service and leadership.



Key Club International

Service Partners



Erika's Lighthouse

Erika's Lighthouse's mission is to ensure that no young person feels alone in their depression. This nonprofit organization encourages good mental health and strives to break down the stigma surrounding mental health issues.

Schoolhouse

Want to make an impact and have fun while doing it? Looking for a service project that you can complete from the comfort of your bedroom? Key Club has partnered with Schoolhouse to bring free tutoring to thousands of learners worldwide!



Key Club International

Preferred Charities

Thirst Project

Thirst Project hopes to educate the next generation by arming students with information about how they can be a part of social change, make a difference and encourage others to join in the effort.



UNICEF

UNICEF is the only organization of the United Nations dedicated exclusively to children. Working with other United Nations bodies, governments and non-governmental organizations, UNICEF helps to provide for children's needs in more than 150 developing countries through community-based services in primary health care, basic education and safe water and sanitation. KCI's partnership with UNICEF supports the **Major Emphasis: Children: Their Future, Our Focus.**

How can your club help support KCI partners?

You can help support KCI partners and charities by hosting fundraisers, educating your home club about these resources, and participating in events hosted by these partners. For example, Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF is a popular way for clubs to support UNICEF! Additionally, as mentioned above, the Governor's Project supports Ericka's Lighthouse this year.



Dues Q & A

Q: How much are dues?

A: Our district dues are \$13, however, some sponsoring Kiwanis clubs may help pay a portion of the cost for your club.

Q: When do I need to turn in dues?

A: Club dues need to be turned in by December 1st to be considered an official Key Club member. Official Key Club members are eligible to attend international events, run for office, and more!

Q: What are early bird dues?

A: Early bird dues are dues turned in by November 1st. Clubs that pay early bird dues are awarded and recognized!

Q: What are dues used for?

A: Dues are used to help cover training resources, travel, and other items for members. Key Club international works hard to keep dues as low as possible!

Key Club Week

November 4th-8th

Monday - Show Your K

Wear your Key Club gear and publicizing Key Club Week in local stores, on your school website, in community newspapers — even on a door. Make sure to tag #keyclubweek!

Wednesday - Dare to Share

Celebrate diversity and equity with the Key Club family. We have members across the globe, and we want to spotlight you! Check out your Instagram story for a [GIPHY sticker](#) you can share to show what makes you and your club shine.

Friday - Connect the Ks

Celebrate the entire family of Kiwanis by getting the whole gang involved. Connect with local Kiwanis, Circle K International, Builders, K-Kids or Aktion clubs and team up for a joint service project or virtual event!

Tuesday - Invite and Include

New in 2023 for Key Club Week, invite a friend to come along to a service project or meeting. It's a chance for them to see firsthand how Key Club helps us grow as students and have a blast while making a real difference.

Thursday - Random Acts of Kindness

Spread happiness throughout your school by implementing little random acts of kindness. Post a picture with the hashtag #KeyClubWeek, and your club might win some cool Key Club stickers!

K-Family Week

November 11th-16th

Monday - What is K-Fam Week?

Watch a video sharing the
Kiwanis Family organizations!

K-Kids
Builders Club
Key Club
Circle K
Aktion Club
Kiwanis

Tuesday - Fav K-Fam Memory

Repost a picture of your favorite K-
Family memory! Tag @neiakeyclub to be
featured on the Instagram!

Wednesday - Bingo Board

Screenshot the K-Family bingo board
post, and repost on your story! Be sure
to tag @neiakeyclub to be featured on
the Instagram!

Thursday - Trivia

Learn more about the K-Family with fun
trivia questions on Instagram stories!

Friday - Zoom Promo

Be on the lookout for a recap video of
the week, promoting the K-Fam
gathering the next morning!

Saturday - K-Fam Gathering

Tune into a Zoom meeting to listen to
inspirational speakers, Jeopardy, and
interactive breakout sections!

Club Spotlight

The Key Club of Alta-Aurelia is brand new to NE-IA!

We were chartered by the beginning of October and have garnered nearly 40 members out of the ~200 total students in our school!

In order to spread the word of our club and get involved in the community, we decided to host a Halloween Carnival. We had various different stations, some being relaxing, some being exhilarating, and others being pure luck. From pumpkin painting to witch broom racing, we had it all.

We were also fortunate enough to receive donations from various businesses in our area, such as our local hospital, a small crochet and sewing business, and a gift shop in our area. We used these donations to award winners of games and to raffle off impressive gift baskets.

Proceeds from this event went towards flood recovery efforts in Spencer. There were hundreds of families that were impacted by flooding, and many still need assistance. We look forward to future events and the impact we can have on our community now that we are officially a Key Club!



- stay in touch with your ltg for a chance to have a spotlight on the district socials -

Key Dates

Summer → Fall

November

1 ----- Newsletter from LTG

Early Bird Dues Deadline

Kiwanis Children's Fund Scholarship Application Opens

4 - 8 ----- Key Club Week

9 ----- Global Engagement Rally

10----- I-Board Office Hours

11-16 ----- K-Family Week

December

1 ----- Newsletter from LTG

Dues Deadline

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Yours in service,

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