

Southwest Sun



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A message from your Bulletin Editor:

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Hey Southwest CKI-ers!

This is your District Bulletin Editor, Jennifer Phillips, reporting to you for the second time. In this issue of the *Southwest Sun* we introduce some new faces, talk about upcoming district events, highlight the activities of several of the clubs in the district, and introduce our new International President, our very own Amanda Badali from Arizona State! I hope you enjoy it!

Yours in Service,
Jennifer Phillips

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Our new Representative Ronald Liu!



Hey Southwest!

So I just wanted to say that it's going to be absolutely awesome to be working for and with you guys this coming year. As your Representative, it's imperative that I make sure International knows what you have to say, so I encourage you guys to keep in contact in any way possible. You can e-mail me at Ronald.F.Liu@gmail.com, you can IM me at iRonald0708, or call/text me at (310) 972-8991. I challenge each of you to contact me through any of those mediums and tell me your name and the opportunity to ask any question you want. Why? Because I'd like for all of you to get to know me, and I'll try to get to know you guys in return. Plus you can see how quickly I get back to you on any kind of question you'd have, be it personal or Circle K related. *(Continued on Pg. 2)*

Circle K Pledge:
I pledge to uphold the Objects of Circle K International, to foster compassion and goodwill toward others through service and leadership, to develop my abilities and the abilities of all people, and to dedicate myself to the realization of mankind's potential.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dues Due
October 15th

Fall Rally
October 19-21

District Board Meeting
October 19th

Fall Rally 2007: SENTENCED TO SERVICE!

That's right! It's that time of year again! The annual Southwest District CKI retreat, aka Fall Rally, will be held this year on the weekend of October 19-21 at Kamp Kiwanis in Vanderwagen, New Mexico. The retreat is an annual event where Circle-K'ers from all over the Southwest District come together for a weekend of service, leadership and fellowship. The slogan this year is "SENTENCED TO SERVICE," with you guessed it, a prison theme.

Now, don't be scared, we're not locking you up in the cabins! All the activities during the weekend will center on this theme, with CKI-ers split up into "cell blocks" that have to accomplish various team-building tasks in order to "escape." Sound fun? You bet! Keep an eye out on the district email reflector for registration information and deadlines.

Hope to see you all there!

Ronald Liu... Continued

This year I hope to keep you all informed on not only International's activities, but the activities of your sister districts. The upcoming Newsletter, the uKnow will be designed to keep everyone in "the know" from club events to International meetings, and upcoming podcasts will provide clubs with a medium to which they can proudly show off their favorite events and activities.

One last thing: I will be giving surveys out to the clubs in our sub-region to get an idea of what YOU want from me as your Representative and what YOU want from your sub-region. I highly suggest that you fill this out so I can hear what you have to say. In return, one member from each district who turns one of these bad boys in will get a special prize, so make sure to fill it out!

I look forward to hearing what you all have to say.

In Service and for Sub-Region B,
Ronald Liu

Our new Assistant Administrator Dick Misch

Greetings Circle K members,

My name is Dick Misch and I have been appointed Asst. Administrator for the Southwest District Circle K.



I would like to give you all a little bit of background on myself personally, professionally, and as a long-time Kiwanian.

The last position I had in my working career was Vice President of Human Resources for the United Dairy Industry. My Kiwanis membership began in Midland, Texas in 1952, in 1954 we moved to Kenosha, Wisconsin where I joined the Kenosha Kiwanis Club. In 1962 I had the privilege of serving that club as President.

In 1965 I served as Lt. Gov. of Division 1 of the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan District. In 1966 I was elected to serve as District Governor of the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan District for the 1967 calendar year. I joined the Kiwanis International Staff in 1970. My primary responsibilities were New Club Building and Membership Development. After one year in the field I was transferred to the Chicago Office as Office Manager and Staff Liaison to the International Board Committees on Membership and Supplies. During my employment with KI I had the privilege of meeting many fine Kiwanians from all parts of the world and made many lasting friendships.

Betty and I have enjoyed our relationship with Kiwanis over all the years, especially working with our young student organizations CKI and Key Club. We both would like to see the SW CKI District grow and prosper. I will be available to assist clubs in any way I can. If clubs know of a new location for a CKI Club we are here to help. As Advisors from the Tucson-Sunshine Kiwanis Club our task is to guide and assist the CKI Club when needed.

Yours Respectfully,
Dick Misch

SOUTHWEST ROUNDUP!

What YOUR clubs are up to



What a great summer it has been! Many ASU CKI hours were clocked! I am very excited to note that from June 2007 to present, ASU CKI has clocked over one hundred fifty hours of community service. These hours

were primarily a result of the coordination between ASU CKI president, Krystle Delgado, and the Miss America organization. During this wonderful partnership, CKI worked with groups such as the Child Crisis Center, and the Phoenix Children's Hospital. We participated in events such as a talent show for the kids staying at the Phoenix Children's Hospital, a musical education hour for the Child Crisis Center children, and countless hours

playing and reading as volunteers, also at the Child Crisis Center. CKI participated in golf tournaments, and "manned the table" for silent auctions!

I am so excited with these connections we now have for our 2007 CKI year, and look forward to our first meeting this Monday.

Sincerely,
Krystle Delgado
ASU CKI President



The **Tomorrow Fund** is a fund for Circle K International that is available through the Kiwanis International Foundation. Grants coming out of this fund are available to all Circle K districts or clubs who wish to create their own projects. The Circle K club at the University of Arizona was awarded a grant from the Tomorrow Fund at this year's International Convention and will be

using these funds for a very exciting project. Arizona is notorious for having a low ranking public education system and because of this, much of the funding used for extra curricular activities in elementary schools has been diverted to academics. What the U of A Circle K club hopes to create is a youth day of service called Y.E.S. (Youth Experiencing Service). This will be a weekend event that will allow representatives from various elementary schools and their teachers to come to one location to meet with Circle K members as well as local community service organizations. Everyone in attendance will work

together to complete several service projects. This will have a great impact on the community and will be a great introduction for local children to the concept of service as a fun, safe and easily accessible after school activity. As well as serving the community, members of the U of A Circle K hope that this event will also be a great time for members of other Circle K clubs within the Southwest district, as well as Kiawnsians from all over, to come together and serve as an example of service, leadership and fellowship to the children of Tucson.

Join us and say Y.E.S. to service!



My name is Shayne Woodards and I am the President of the CKI at Mesa Community College. Our club has been busy this summer planning for

the upcoming year. This year I am going to try to work with the Associated Students of Mesa Community College to plan service events. I think this will help us gain members. Also other clubs and the football team that want to participate with our Circle K by doing projects together





CKI International President: Our very own Amanda Badali

Greetings CKI Members!

At this past International Convention in Portland, I was elected as your new International President. My past Kiwanis Family Experience includes the transition from Builders Club to Key Club and then Key Club to CKI. Coming from Pennsylvania and moving into the Southwest District, I also have a diverse background with both thriving and passionately developing districts.

I am currently twenty years old and residing in Tempe, Arizona. I attend Arizona State University where I am double majoring in Political Science and Secondary Education Social Studies.

This year is going to be an exciting one for CKI! Together, as members, we are in the unique position

to shape and mold our organization into one that provides more opportunities for service, leadership, and fellowship. While change is a scary and often daunting task, it is something that must be pursued for the greater good of the organization. We must strive forward without forgetting where we came from.

As we look into the future, this year's International Board plans to lift our organization to new heights, while enhancing our potential to grow and be sustainable. Through higher membership involvement, this will surely be a year for and of the members. We will be implementing a thorough research strategy to cover all aspects and questions that may arise. All members of the International Board will be putting forth effort to

unite our organization amidst the controversy of change as we are embodied under our tenants of service, leadership, and fellowship. We need to rediscover our focus and our passion for helping others. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions for the upcoming year, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email is badali.CKI@gmail.com and my screen name is "Amanda CKI".

Yours in Service and Friendship,
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Notes from Secretary/Treasurer Sarah:

Just a reminder to all club officers, if you have not yet looked over the district directory and double-checked your contact information then please do so soon. I still do not have phone numbers or mailing addresses for some of you. The directory can be found on the yahoo group under files.

Secretaries should remember to turn in any missing hours done by your club over the summer if they have not already, not all of the clubs submitted their monthly reports.

Treasurers should contact me with any questions regarding dues for the upcoming year. We would like to have all clubs paid by October 15. To pay dues, go on the CKI website, www.circlek.org and enter members' information electronically, and then print out an invoice to mail into the international office along with a check. Dues are still \$33 per member.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

