Saratoga and Key Clubbers Clean-up at Camp for Chronically Sick Kids

A New Year for Key Club and Circle K

The Key Club and Circle K conventions held on March 18-20 are now history. Key club and Circle K are now looking forward to a new year. At the conventions, Kristin Reed from Ogdensburg, NY was elected New York District Key Club Governor and Helen Pollard, Circle K Governor. Congratulations and best wishes for a highly successful year of growth and service. At the Circle K Convention, I was pleased to see the new Executive Director of Kamp Kiwanis, Rebecca Lopez join the panel of Kamp Kiwanis. The presentation was well received and generated considerable interest in the camp. I’m confident that Key Club and Circle K will continue to support the camp, as they have for so many years.

Too often we overlook the greatest asset that we possess in Kiwanis, our Sponsored Organizations. As they approach the new year, let’s renew our commitment to the needs we possess in Kiwanis, our Sponsored Organizations. A New Avenue for Growth: I’m very pleased to announce that the formation of new Key Clubs in the BOCES Centers is now gaining momentum and considerable interest. Number one Key Club organized in this area: Southern Adirondack Education Center BOCES, organized August 2004; Number two: Myers Education Center, Saratoga Springs, NY, is in the process of organization.

There are thirty-eight BOCES Educational Centers located in the New York District that provide additional opportunities for Key Club growth and expansion. Kamp Kiwanis can be an ideal major project for the BOCES Key Clubs because of their hands-on training in almost all of the professional trades. They can be an ideal major project for the BOCES Key Clubs because of their hands-on training in almost all of the professional trades. They worked from 9:00am to 2:00pm raking leaves and picking up sticks on one of the camp’s main back woods trails. grown to service nearly 1,000 children each summer. The Ranch also offers a one-of-a-kind Adaptive Ski Program, providing the opportunity for children with physical and emotional limitations to experience the thrill of downhill skiing and snowboarding. Campers are referred by hospitals, doctors, social workers, other campers and their families, and there is no charge to individual campers to attend.

88th ANNUAL NEW YORK DISTRICT KIWANIS 2005 ANNUAL CONVENTION

Sponsored Organizations and Programs

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Fast Facts

• Children’s Miracle Network was founded in 1983.
• The hallmark of the Children’s Miracle Network is that 100 percent of every dollar raised in a community stays there to help children served by participating hospitals in the local area.
• Children’s Miracle Network hospitals treat all children regardless of their ability to pay.
• Each year Children’s Miracle Network hospitals provide more than $2.5 million in charitable care; these non-profit children’s hospitals depend on community support.
• Since 1983 Children’s Miracle Network has raised nearly $1.8 billion for children’s hospitals, most of which is donated a dollar at a time by individuals throughout the United States and Canada.

Background

Children’s Miracle Network is an international nonprofit organization dedicated to helping children by raising funds and awareness for 170 children’s hospitals throughout North America. Each year these non-profit hospitals treat more than 14 million children afflicted with diseases, injuries and birth defects of every kind.

Children’s Miracle Network’s founding pledge to put children first in all it does and keep 100 percent of the donations in the community where they were raised remains at the core of its philosophy. Yet Children’s Miracle Network has grown dramatically since its founding in 1983, when its first televised fund raiser aired from a small private studio and raised $4.7 million for hospitals.

In just 18 years Children’s Miracle Network has evolved into the dominant organization actively providing better health care for millions of children through its 170 hospitals. In addition to producing the largest television fund raiser in the world, Children’s Miracle Network organizes and executes thousands of special events and promotions each year through its dedicated corporate sponsors and media partners.

This tremendous year-round effort is helping to save or improve the lives of all children with cancer, heart defects, diabetes, AIDS, muscular dystrophy and accident trauma, to name a few.

To date Children’s Miracle Network has raised nearly $1.8 billion for children’s hospitals; $208 million in 2000 alone. But the need is still great; in just one year Children’s Miracle Network hospitals provide charity care worth billions.

The Children’s Miracle Network Team

170 Children’s Hospitals: The 170 non-profit children’s hospitals affiliated with Children’s Miracle Network are the premier facilities in their respective communities and some of the finest hospitals in the world. Each year these hospitals treat more than 14 million children suffering from all types of afflictions.