

THE PANTHER KEY CLUB DOCKET

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This Month of Service: Pumpkin Smash Club Fundraiser, UNICEF Report, and DCM

The Thought Question of the Month

Have you been reading the newsletters? If yes, why have you been reading us?

Event of the Month:

Pumpkin Smash



See Student Sam Kara in action as he helps us by smashing this pumpkin! Thanks for your support!

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WHAT'S COMING UP in December!

- Dec. 6th - CTC Kingsburg, Christmas Parade and North Kiwanis Modesto Pancake Breakfast, Various Times
- Dec. 7th - District Training, Rancho Cucamonga, All Day 7am-
- Dec. 8-9th - Bell Ringing @ mall, evening, two shifts, 5pm-6:30pm and 6:30pm-8:00pm

- Dec. 13th - McHenry Mansion Holiday Party, time yet unknown
- Dec. 15th - DCM @ Enochs HS, 6-8p
- Dec. 20th - Salvation Army Distribution, 11am-3pm
- Dec. 30th - Pasadena Rose Float, 1am-11pm (**Almost 22 hours!**)

- More event descriptions will be posted to [here](#), as I get more info.

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JOIN US!:

Key Club of Modesto High School

WHEN:

Every school Monday, during both lunch periods

WHERE:

Room 307 (4th period) or
Room 47 (5th period)





LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to Christmas. Well, there may be another 20 days until then, but it is great to be able to still be here. As you all well know by now, I am a senior this year. College applications just finished for me, and sitting down at the board meeting, I just got to thinking: who will follow me?

You see, once I go to college, I cannot be the editor of your newsletter. I am sorry, but if this was really needed, please take the following at face value:

"I, Alexander Wiegman, have been honored to have been your bulletin editor, webmaster, photographer, parliamentarian, and on whom, other positions, but I will NOT run for re-election in this coming year."

This month, I have added a special article on why read articles. I hope it gives your writer in your confidence. Maybe you are the photographer, or the webmaster, or even the parliamentarian. Think about your interests. Computers? Webmaster, or bulletin editor. Legal? Parliamentarian. Talk to me if you're interested!

Alexander Wiegman
Editor, Modesto HS

President's Message

Hello fellow Modesto High Key Clubbers! I am pleased to have so many members in Key Club this year. Seeing each and every one of you at our meetings every week makes me truly happy at how successful MHS key club is! For this month, I hope that our club continues to participate in community service activities and finds more ways to get involved in our school. I hope to see in our club more members continuing to be active in our club, and I wish for our club to be able to go to WE Day in February this upcoming year. Happy holidays to all!

Nicole West
MHS Key Club President

LTG's Message

Happy holidays Red Pandas! In this season of happiness, we have many opportunities for others to be happy also! Please take advantage of all these cool service projects, and I hope to see you at the DCM. Let's have a Red Panda-stic holiday!

Amir Patel
LTG, D46N, of Modesto HS

KEY CLUB PLEDGE

Don't know the Key Club pledge? No worries. Just follow along below:

I pledge, on my honor, to uphold the objects of Key Club International; to build my home, school and community; to serve my nation and God; and to combat all forces which tend to undermine these institutions.

KEY CLUB MISSION

Key Club is an international student-led organization which provides its members with opportunities to provide service, build character and develop leadership.



Trick or treat for UNICEF? Read the report in this newsletter for MHS Key Club's 2014 year report!



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Why Read the Articles of this Newsletter?

Articles look daunting, perhaps boring, but remember, first and foremost that they are always meant to be **IMPORTANT** and **INFORMATIVE**.

They were written by someone who thought it would be important that everyone know the information.

Also, it is written for posterity. It is fascinating for us to find an article from the 1930s, and in the same way these articles will be good to look back on in 80 years.

But, perhaps what makes an article fun to read is what you might learn about yourself when you read it. Or perhaps you're an English "Nazi" and insist on finding all of my grammar and spelling errors. Whatever your reason are, I am always pleased to see that the writer's work will come to some good use.

This newsletter should be read. It gives a summary of upcoming events, past events, and starting this month, this information is on calendars. It features messages from the officer board. It features announcements.

It also gives support to our [website](#). The two are meant to go hand-in-hand, and why a PDF copy of this newsletter is on the website. It features our members, such as Wahleed Khan, who wrote me an [article](#) by writing the school newspaper an article about Key Club.

Finally, there is the section of school events that is in the newsletter; every month I look at upcoming events at school in the next month, and I put dates (and times, if applicable).

As an addendum, for those of you members who are IB Junior or Senior full-diploma candidates, you CHEAT yourself by not reading this newsletter. This newsletter is the master-resource for all offers on service events in the next month. I am SUPPOSED to hear about opportunities from you guys at meetings, as I can only find so few on my own. I know Modesto has more than this, especially in December!

I don't know if this will convince anyone that I am having a readership problem, but I don't call it good when I don't hear about this newsletter's articles during club meetings. Anyway, best readings to those that will do it.

-Alex

Trick or Treat For UNICEF Report

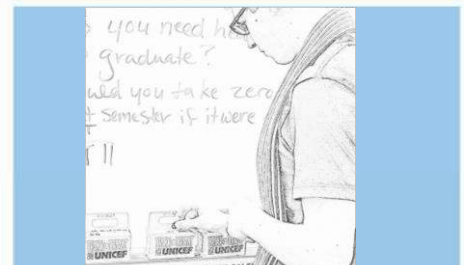
Early this month, we finally received the rest of the UNICEF boxes that were out. Thank you for returning them!

We have received a variety of different amounts raised per person. And many people helped donate to us. Jan told me that the range is enormous, "between two dollars and maybe over 50 dollars."

This is the last year of this five-year initiative, which has eradicated Maternal Neonatal Tetanus

(the MNT of eliMiNaTe project) from 34 countries. MNT is a soil-borne bacteria that causes a painful death to children as they are born, but a mere \$1.80, or 3 shots of 60¢ each, can prevent this disease from affecting a mother or any of her future children.

ELIMINATE
maternal/neonatal tetanus

Thanks to Alex Hunn, the subject of this "photo" for permissions. He is shown donating to a UNICEF box.



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character building
inclusiveness

DCM

Division Leadership Team

At this enjoyable event that was held on the 20th of November many Key Clubbers met with a Retro-theme at the Johansen High School November DCM. Kiwanis members present included the Dr. Fields, Jan Jaeger, Rev. Williams, and Mr. Vierra.

At the DCM, we were greeted with not only a great dinner, but no one could have enough pumpkin pie! To me, the real fun in this was to also see the pig for the other Eliminate Fundraiser in this district, the Kiss the Pig Challenge. With donations of over \$1200, both IP LTG Celina and Kiwanis member Dr. Fields had to wear makeup and kiss a pig. Make sure not to come to the December DCM!

As promised, this document has stayed intact for all to use as reference. Hope it helps!

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Calendar of Upcoming Events – December 2014

December 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 CTC @ Kingsburg, Christmas Parade @ Downtown Modesto North Modesto Pancake Breakfast @ Senior Center, Bodem Street
7 District Training @ Rancho Cucamonga	8 Bell Ringing @ Vintage Faire Mall, Sisk St, Modesto 2 shifts: 5-6:30 and 6:30-8pm	9	10	11	12	13 Holiday Party Help, McHenry Mansion, Downtown Modesto
14	15 DCM @ Senior Center, Bodem St., Modesto	16	17	18	19	20 Salvation Army Christmas Distribution @ MJC West Ag. Pavillion, Modesto
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Kiwanis
 Service Leadership Programs

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MY LITTLE SANDBOX

This is where I get to put my most wonderful rants about life.

This month was a busy one for me, with all the college applications. Sadly, this meant I accumulated few hours of community service other than my editorial duties.

It was really cool to see the new fundraiser that we came up – that Pumpkin Smash. I am SO sad that I was sick on that day, I see from friends videos that “it was a day to record.” One of the best participants we had was Sam Kara, so thank you very kindly to Sam and Video Producer Dominic for allowing me to use the video in this newsletter.

This coming month, I look forward to some of the events, such as the Christmas Distribution and the Bell Ringing that I have done with the Salvation Army every year.

Have a happy holidays and may your best dreams come true everyone! ...& Good luck on finals!

-Alex

So, I have seen some great things come out of Project Happiness so far. One of the links in an email update that I received from Key Club could not come at a more opportune time. Every winter, around November, I begin to develop Seasonal Affective Disorder, and will become dangerously depressive a few days each winter. The day I received that email from the Key Club weekly updates group was such a day.

It had a link to a #ProjectSmile related thing, and like any young man with a tiny bit of sense, I clicked on the link hoping that I would find something that would cheer me up. The resulting YouTube video, [Validation](#), helped me get over the rest of that day.

Short story shorter, it was a very effective video. I only hope the best for the producers of the video and hope that others will smile when they watch it, also.

- Alex

CNH SITES FOCUS

The site has gone through another change!

The December newsletter, has been released, for starters.

Additionally, the endorsements for DCON have officially begun! It's a great event [if you're not stuck studying IB tests, school first], so all who can, SHOULD go.

What's most important is the fact that the recognition awards for the year have been released! Everyone should try the Member Recognition Program (MRP), it recognises service hours!

As I am winding down the year with the last couple of newsletters, its been a great pleasure to see the changes.

If you ever get a chance to read this CNH website head-people... Good job!

-Alex



CHARACTER BUILDING





"Please help us at the
Pasadena Rose Float!"

**See the Kiwanis Rose Parade
float on January 1, 2015.**

If interested, please contact Mr. Frank Vierra at the DCM ASAP.