Leadership Academy gets good review!

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“This will be the most supportive group of people that you will ever meet. Get to know them and let them get to know you. Even though they are physically so far away - they will be in your heart always - Allison had.” This quote is from one of the people I went to leadership academy with. This by far is hands down the best experience I have had with in all my K family events. The sense of how close I grew to people in such a short amount of time is amazing. I will cherish the moments I had there for life.

I was blessed to receive the Florida Scholarship so that I would not have to work a few 40-hour weeks to pay for it but rather spend some time with my family and get to enjoy summer!

This event sent two others from Florida as well. Michelle Ocampo and Woodra Keene. We all set off on our journeys not knowing how life changing it truly would become. This event was a jam packed 5 days where we got the chance to grow close to so many people from all over the world! All around this event was a life changer. Coming back from this event we are ready to go back to our homes, School’s and community’s to serve!

The Florida District took home two awards at ICON 2012 in New Orleans: Sara Fruithandler was named an International Distinguished Treasurer and the University of South Florida earned 2nd Place for the Single Service Project award. Let’s bring home even more awards at ICON 2013 in Vancouver, British Columbia!
The 2012 Large Scale Service Project in New Orleans was by far one of the most interesting ones yet. The first night everyone was put into groups led by a leader. Every morning of LSSP for three days every CKI-er was woken up and left the hotel to go to work. The groups were split in different areas of New Orleans doing different tasks.

Some worked in local parks, others at Ronald McDonald House, Boys /Girls club and plenty of other areas. The biggest challenge was when CKI-er’s would arrive at the habitat for humanity site. Some were put on the roof and the rest branched off inside and outside the houses. We all worked together siding, painting and hammering. As usual we went above and beyond helping the New Orleans community.
Also on the agenda was a fun competition among the groups selected since the beginning of LSSP. The games started with the human knot game and ending with a balloon challenge where two people from each group tied a balloon to each leg and tried to survive without getting them popped from other group members. Everyone had a lot of laughs and when a CKI-ers plays hard they tend to work hard.

The Dance 2 Eliminate was a chance for Circle K to unwind after days of hot community service. The bonus was we got a chance to raise money for The Eliminate Project! To special request a song you had to donate money toward Eliminate. The two hour dance had a constant flow of music and while we busted a move it helped knowing that every song helped save a life.
Fall has begun so you know it’s time for some CKI fun. But you know we can’t be as great as we are without paying dues, so here are some tips for all of you! Every club that pays their dues by November 1st will receive recognition and a plaque so make sure you turn them in as soon as you get all the money back.

District dues are 10 dollars per member, in case you don’t remember! International dues have been changed so make sure to read this to get rearranged. Schools with under 5000 students must pay $450, at least now we get to be a little more thrifty. Schools with more than 5000 students must pay $600, but don’t worry, sometimes your school or Kiwanis will help fund it.

This year is going to be great, so make sure you don’t pay your dues late! So get those dues in on time, hope you enjoyed this rhyme!
EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR LTC

WHEN: September 14th-16th

WHERE: Camp Kiwanis
       19300 SE 3rd St
       Silver Springs, FL 34488

PRICE: $45 and at least 2 non-perishable food items*

THEME: Wild Wild West!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 2nd

* NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TO STUPI

~Register today at http://flordakiwanis.com/CKIDCON/ltcstep01.asp
~Check out the video for LTC http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pn7P-Vag4g

Poster provided by Publics Relation Chair Brittany Abrams
The Florida District welcomes your new Circle K International board! They range from many District and schools from around the world. They each have worked hard and strived to earn their position. They each will be dedicating their time and efforts to make Circle K truly a more International Organization. We Floridians will do our best to support International by helping unite us past our district and beyond the United States.

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