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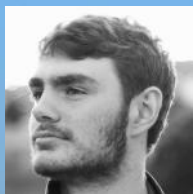
Hello,

I went to a convention and met people!

Now that I'm done bragging about my newfound, weak social abilities, ICON really was an interesting experience even though I was only 30 minutes away from home. What struck me the most, I think, was in the way that Key Club is run (other than the House of Delegates). To see all of these teenagers running to lead an international organization comprised of thousands of members makes my puny newsletter look like nothing in comparison.

Nonetheless, I still edit on and I have sourced some great ICON pictures for your viewing pleasure along with an anecdote from Marina Weinberger, who was also in the previous DCON issue. Also, you may have noticed that this edition has a new design, using a new typeface and design elements with a focus on pictures as well. I thought I would make something somewhat special for ICON and it would be cool to be able to use this for the regular publication. Unfortunately, I'm afraid that the Graphic Standards Police will come and get me.

Until next time,



Aidan Jones

LTG'S NOTE

Happy summer, Lions!

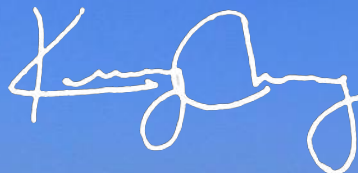
Welcome to the latest edition of *The Roar*!

Can you believe we're nearly halfway through summer? Whether you've been out enjoying long walks on the beach or binge-watching your favorite television series in the dead of night, I hope your time away from school has been worthwhile!

During this past month, International Convention 2014 was hosted in sunny Anaheim, and, for those of you who attended, I hope you all had a blast. It's not every day that we are able to get in touch with Key Clubbers on an international level. It was truly touching to hear of all your fascinating stories and experiences, and I cannot wait to see you all next year in Indianapolis, Indiana for ICON 2015!

Although summer is certainly a time for relaxation and leisure, let's continue to make the most of this time improving our clubs! Continue to perform service, fundraise to meet our yearly goals, and recruit new members in order to bring Division 41 South to greater heights!

Thank you for all of your hard work and service thus far. Keep doing great things!

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read 'Kenny Cheng'.

Kenny Cheng



UPDATES

Beach Boomba Saturday, July 26

11 AM - 4 PM / Huntington State Beach
RSVPs accepted until Monday, July 21, 9 PM
\$5 Entrance fee / Extra proceeds go towards Eliminate project

Join Region 3 Key Clubbers in this summer social featuring water balloons, region relays, icebreakers, pie-throwing, and a beach clean-up service project.

Suggested Items to Bring:

- Sunblock
- Small Beach Chairs
- Water/Drinks
- Towels
- Canopies
- Extra Change of Clothes
- Swim Suits
- Jackets/Sweaters

T-Shirts / \$12

Last money collection date at Beach Boomba

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JUSTIN LONH, AND MARINA WEINBERGER



















MARINA WEINBERGER

International Convention was always one of those big events that stay in the back of your mind until—boom: it's suddenly tomorrow. I was really pumped up for this convention after attending CNH's DCON earlier this year. I was so excited to meet people from all over the US and even different countries who were all united by being in Key Club. But even though I knew this, I wasn't prepared for just how much we had in common—specifically, a love and passion for service.

ICON's general sessions were really interesting because rather than rooting by club, division, or even region, we were cheering as a whole district. The boundaries between Nor-Cal and So-Cal people utterly disappeared as CNH engaged in cheer battles with other big districts like Capital (the Crabs) or Pacific Northwest (the fuchsia moose hats running around). This was so exhilarating and really sent the message that Key Club is a global organization, not just something in the local community.

All of the workshops I attended were actually both fun and practical. I went to one that applied Disney techniques for success to planning a service event and another one that taught some pretty good tips for public speaking. But one thing that every workshop had in common was that they really encouraged meeting new people.

Equally as inspiring were the motivational speakers at ICON, Matt Mattson and Louise Ashby. Both had some amazing stories that told about their experiences in life and how to make the most out of not just our Key Club experience, but our lives as volunteers and lovers of service.

Outside of the workshops and lectures, I had a lot of fun just around the hotel with the other people in our Division. We all had a great time spending the Fourth of July at Downtown Disney after watching the fireworks at Disneyland.

It was also an honor to serve as a delegate in voting on amendments and on the new international board. Even though there were problems with technicality of voting, it was still really cool to be a part of the governing process of Key Club.

Overall, ICON was an amazing experience I would definitely recommend to anyone who wants to see Key Club operate at a larger level. I made many friends who live thousands of miles away; even despite the distance, we can still stay connected through social media and the commonality of our experience at ICON. I came to this convention excited and left inspired, motivated, and with a desire to do all I can to serve Key Club International.



Animal Crackers Pet Rescue

On June 6th, a few of Tesoro's key club members attended The Animal Crackers Pet Rescue.

The training was held in order to prepare anyone who wished to volunteer at the Animal Crackers in Laguna Hills. Because Animal Crackers is non-profit, they rely on volunteers to make the rescue a success. During the training, we learned how to properly take care of the animals which included dogs, cats, and birds. We listened to the long time volunteers talk about the importance of caring for the animals. Many adorable dogs that we would soon be caring for greeted us and we learned useful skills and techniques. The training was also useful because we learned how to take care of the retail store. As volunteers, we were able to take care of the animals, walk them, or work in the retail store. Overall, the training gave everyone a better understanding of how to be better suited to take care of the animals.

- ALLY GANDULLIA / SOPHOMORE REPRESENTATIVE

Tesoro Mural Project

Spanning the whole summer, members of Tesoro's Key Club have been participating in painting a mural in several of Tesoro's hallways.

Each hallway centers around a certain subject. Therefore, the mural in each hallway gravitates toward concepts of that subject. For example, the 700 hallway depicts a vast ocean with a variety of sea creatures and marine life due to it being the science hall whereas the 400 hallway, centering on history, consists of historical landmarks, classical art, and important figures of world history. The mural project was started by Tesoro student Aashna Shah, and has since spread to any who cared to contribute. This has given members of Key Club a way to tap into their artistic side as well as a chance to bring life and pride to their school. It is a massive project that has been going since spring break, but it will be giving the future students of Tesoro a more vivid take on the new worlds school can open up.

- NICOLE MEHRING / HISTORIAN



