

# Dearborn High School

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# 2011 District Convention

## *“Take a Ride Down Memory Lane”*



### Awards

Our chapter was honored with many awards for all our hard work, described below.

The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Michigan District of Key Club was held at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency on March 18 thru 20. Dearborn High, along with Fordson and Annapolis high schools, was a part of the host committee. It was our job to make the nearly 400 teenagers from across the state feel welcome in Dearborn and have an opportunity to experience some of the unique things our city has to offer. Matt Means represented our school well as the Convention Co-Chair; he worked tirelessly on hundreds of details so that we could “Take a ride down memory lane”, which was the theme of the Convention. Conventions are held because students enjoy being recognized for their hard work all year long. It is an opportunity to shine in front of peers and to praise and honor other members and clubs who raised the bar just a little bit, each of us showing a better way to reach the same goal. Key Club is community service, and that makes us an incredible group of teenagers and advisors believing that we are a story of success and hope. It was a memorable Convention and it will be in our thoughts for many years to come.




***Secretary’s Ribbon***  
for 100% Monthly Reports  
**Katelyn Culler**



### ***Single-Service Award***

Our chapter received this award in recognition of its outstanding work on Safety Town in the summer.



***Distinguished Club Award***  
Awarded to only 7 schools in the state of Michigan. We were recognized for meeting and exceeding the number of required volunteer hours per student and amount of fundraising.

### ***Michigan District Project Award***

For our chapter’s excellent conduct of the Operation Smile project, we were recognized with a second place award.



***Ribbon for Pop Can  
Tab participation***

## Kids Against Hunger

Enough money was raised beforehand so that a Kids Against Hunger service project was available for Key Clubbers to experience. Over **4500 meals** were packaged that day. The meals contain rice, soy, chicken flavoring, and minerals. One bag cooked in a pot of boiling water will feed an entire family of six. The majority of the food does go overseas, but about 20 percent stays right in the local community. Many of the local food pantries enjoy getting these meals because they taste good and the families appreciate them.



**Above:** (left to right) Katrina Greathouse, Norman Orabi, and Abi Devins work hard packaging meals for less fortunate families at home and abroad.



**Above:** Andrew Pietrzak and Katrina Greathouse at the candle lighting event.



### The Candle Lighting Ceremony

It starts off with one candle being lit by the executive board. Then the flame is “passed” out to every person in the room holding a candle. This is meant to signify unity and the strength that Key Clubbers can create when they work together.



**Above:** (back row from left to right) Alyssa Lennon, Alexis Lovier, Marissa Sterling, Marie Bellissimo, Briana Benavides, Katelyn Culler, Nadine Taleb, Abi Devins, Jihan Jawad, Leila Alawie (middle row from left to right) Genua Beydoun, Katrina Greathouse, Alison Jawad, Ana Saucedo, Stacey Malinowski, (front row from left to right) Omar Mullen, Norman Orabi, Bipers Mamlouk, Ashraf Jaber, Andrew Pietrzak

# What Key Clubbers Have Been up to...

## 2011 Relay for Life of Dearborn



**Above:** (back row left to right) Shadya Essaili, Marie Bellissimo, Stacey Malinowski, Ana Saucedo, Katrina Greathouse, Hanie Basma, Ghassan Basma (front row left to right), Alison Jawad, Karina Taleb, Nadine Taleb, Sabrina Berry, Batool Shukr.

For the fifth consecutive year, DHS Key Club was a part of Dearborn's Relay for Life. Working in tandem with DOD Kiwanis, our Key Clubbers raised over \$700 that was given to the American Cancer Society for research funding. Led by Abi Devins and Marie Bellissimo, our members sold paper "feet" at school and pink lei along with snacks and beverages at the Relay. A big thanks goes out to the **25 members** who volunteered at the Key Club booth. Your help is greatly appreciated by not only our advisors but the American Cancer Society and all those who are affected by the disease and fighting for the cure.



**Above:** Flags are placed in the ground to symbolize unity amongst all those who are fighting together for the cure.



**Celebrate. Remember. Fight Back.<sup>®</sup>**

## Annual Kiwanis 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Dictionary Handout

Dearborn Outer Drive Kiwanis and Key Club worked together to purchase (actually, thanks to Kiwanis who did that part) and hand out over 1800 dictionaries, one to each third grader in the City of Dearborn. A big thanks goes out to **Katelyn Culler** and **Dena Makled** who passed out dictionaries at Haigh Elementary and also to **Batool Beydoun** and **Ghassan Basma** who helped give dictionaries to the third graders at Maples Elementary.



**Above:** Katelyn Culler and Dena Makled have done great to pass out dictionaries to excited third graders at Haigh Elementary.



**Above:** It's all smiles as the third graders at Maples Elementary are given their own copy of a special Gazetteer version dictionary.

## City of Dearborn Appreciation Breakfast

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, the City of Dearborn treated members of our club to an appreciation breakfast at Dearborn Hills. Our chapter was commended for its year-long efforts that helped to make the Wayne County Surplus Food program a success. Congratulations members and thanks to all who volunteered their time this year for this wonderful project!



**Above:** From left to right, Hanie Basma, Batool Shukr, Abi Devins, Norman Orabi, Bipers Mamlouk, Hawa Kourama pose for a "team" picture at the breakfast.

# Upcoming Events

## WORLD MEDICAL RELIEF



**Date:** Saturday, May 7, 2011

**Location:** World Medical Relief building in Detroit.  
(car pooling will be available)

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **MEET AT DHS AT 8:20 A.M.**

**Description:** Help sort and package medical supplies to be shipped around the world.

## OFFICER INSTALLATIONS

**Date:** Tuesday, May 10, 2011

**Location:** Park Place Hall  
23400 Park Street, Dearborn MI, 48124

**Time:** 6:45 p.m.

**Description:** This ceremony will be a thank you and a farewell to former officers and a welcome to the new ones. This is open to any Key Club member (contact Peggie at 313-460-4171) who would like to attend. Following the installation there will be an Ice Cream Sundae Bar and socializing. All attendees must dress business professional, as a photo will be taken and submitted to the Dearborn Press and Guide.

### Retiring Officers:

- Bailey Allen: Lt. Gov. Division 12
- Abi Devins: Co-president
- Bipers Mamlouk: Co-president
- Annie Korte: Vice President

### Officers to be Installed:

- Sabrina Berry: President
- Ashraf Jaber: Vice President
- Alison Jawad: Bulletin Editor
- Sabah Beydoun: Bulletin Editor

### Remaining Officers:

- Hussein Abdallah: Communications Editor/Webmaster
- Katelyn Culler: Secretary
- Andrew Pietrzak: Treasurer

## SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY SORTING

**Date:** Saturday, May 14, 2011

**Location:** Salvation Army Dearborn Heights  
26700 W. Warren, Dearborn Heights, MI, 48127

**Time:** TBA (check [www.dhskeyclub.com](http://www.dhskeyclub.com))

**Description:** Volunteers will help to sort all the food donations that the U.S. Postal Service will be collecting that day.



## 2011 Dearborn Memorial Parade

**Date:** Tuesday, May 31, 2011

**Location:** Michigan Avenue  
(meet at Henry Ford Centennial Library)

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**Description:** The parade will pay tribute to Vietnam veterans, with special recognition being given to the 70 men from Dearborn who died in service during the war.



## SAFETY TOWN

**Location:** Howard Elementary School

**Date:** June 13<sup>th</sup> – June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
(Mondays thru Thursdays)

**Time:** All day...come to meetings for more details.

**Description:** Yep... it's that time of the year again where we all get together at Safety Town. Have fun working with children and teaching them the fundamentals of safety. You can earn yourself up to 100 hours of community service. The Kiwanis website, <http://www.dodkiwanis.org>, has the registration for Safety Town, so if any members have siblings who are 4 or 5 years old and want to attend S-T, they can get the form online.



Attend our Monday meetings in the media center at 2:20 p.m. to sign up for any events. To stay updated on what opportunities Key Club is offering, visit [www.dhskeyclub.com](http://www.dhskeyclub.com) where upcoming events are posted. Any questions, contact Hussein Abdallah at [hussein.m.abdallah@gmail.com](mailto:hussein.m.abdallah@gmail.com).