

Valley Lutheran High School

Key Club Newsletter

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Newsletters are emailed to all members and are available on the School Website. Check them out for information on the latest club happenings and volunteer opportunities.

Attention Seniors

If you are applying for the Key Club Medallion, you must submit your list of service hours to Mr. Reiss before April 30th.

Recording Your Service Hours

With the demise of the United Way Service Award, there is no compelling reason to use the 1-800-Volunteer.com web site to keep track of your hours. You can continue to use this method if you wish, but the www.prephq.com web site is more user friendly. Whatever method that you choose, it is strongly advised that you maintain a paper copy of your service history. If your information is lost from the web site, which has happened, it is in your best interest to be able to accurately recreate it.

Michigan Waste Authority

Saturday, May 1st, the Michigan Waste Authority (MWA) is hosting the "Go Wild!" event at the Saginaw Children's Zoo. They need about 15 volunteers to help kids with crafts, do some face painting, and help with give-a-ways and games. The sign-up sheet for this is in the KC binder in the RC. **If you are interested, you must sign up by April 22.** This would be a great opportunity if you need some hours.

Relay For Life

Some students have expressed an interest in forming a team for the upcoming Relay For Life event being held at Novel. The Relay For Life is a fundraising event for the National Cancer Society. The event will run from 9:00 a.m. on May 22nd until 9:00 a.m. on May 23rd. As the name implies, this is a relay event involving 24 hours of walking and/or running and each team is required to have at least one team member on the track at all times during the event.

As mentioned above, this is a fundraising event. If we form a team, we will be expected to arrange some form of fundraising. This could be as simple as contacting our member congregations and asking their membership to support our team using the Relay For Life web site.

If we are to form a team, we must act quickly. The event is only a month away. For more information, check out the web site <http://www.relayforlife.org>. Anyone willing to take on the responsibility of being the team captain, should contact Mr. Reiss as soon as possible.

It's Time to Renew Your Membership

It's membership renewal time. Please turn in your membership renewal form and club dues before May 31st. Use the attached form or pick up a form in the school office. Forms and dues should be placed in the colorful Key Club box in the school office or turned in at the Key Club meetings.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Key-Leader Conference – May 21-23, 2010 at the Howell Conference Center. Full details are available at the Key-Leader web site <http://www.key-leader.org>.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

(Taken from United Way Weekly Listings)

To volunteer your services or to donate goods, please call Karla Brzak at the United Way of Saginaw County 755-0433, Ext. 214, kabrzak@unitedwaysaginaw.org. Or **check out our web-based volunteer program at www.1-800-Volunteer.org**.

HISTORICAL RESEARCHERS are needed by local agency to conduct research in context with what has happened in the world, in Michigan and in our community. Activities include research, writing, scanning, compilation, and editing. The end result will be a “coffee table” style book of the history of the agency.

REFRESHMENT EXPRESS cart volunteers are needed by local organization to take a cart filled with coffee, soda, and food to family waiting rooms, and staff/physician lounges to meet the needs of those who cannot conveniently access cafeterias. Must be at least 16 years old.

EARTH DAY EVENT volunteers are needed by local waste authority to assist in duties for annual event on Saturday, May 1, 2010. Tasks include assisting at entrance gate, helping children make crafts, help with games, face painting and assisting with recycling collection. Volunteers must enjoy working with children.

RESALE SHOP volunteers are needed by local agency to staff sales floor. Duties include assisting customers, operating register, pricing and rotating stock and creating store displays. Must be at least 13 years old.

OFFICE HELP is needed by local organization label post cards, help with bulk mailings and make copies. Must be at least 13 years old. Hours are flexible.

READING MENTOR volunteers are needed to provide individualized reading time with students to help children learn to read and practice their reading skills. Mentors convey positive values that young children need to succeed and encourage children to view reading as a pleasurable experience.

ENTERTAINMENT volunteers are needed to perform, play music, sing and share their talents during a family friendly entertainment time on the weekends at local museum. Available hours are Saturday from 10am-5pm and Sunday from 12pm-5pm. Family volunteers are welcome.

HOSPICE volunteers are needed by local organization to visit with patients, sing and/or play a musical instrument, sew, bake, help out in the office, and assist with activities. These are just a few examples of how a volunteer can spread their “angel wings.” Only a couple of hours a month are required.

Key Club New/Renewal Membership Form

Dues for the next school year must be paid by May 31. Dues are paid upon joining any other time of year. There is no proration of dues.

School year: 20__/20__

Name(s) _____

Year(s) of graduation: _____ (you may sign up an 8th grader coming to Valley to get a family discount—see below)

E-mail address(es) (Please PRINT—for e-mail newsletter). You may also use your parent's address

EMAIL Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Enclosed is:

___ \$15 for one student

___ \$25 for two siblings

___ \$35 for three siblings

Checks may be made payable to VLHS Key Club. Please return this form and your money to either the box in the office designated for the Key Club, or to the treasurer.

** No one will be excluded if paying dues is a financial hardship. Please contact the principal.

Parent signature required: I understand that all Key Club activities are voluntary and students sign up for one activity at a time. Some volunteer activities may include leaving the school building and traveling to another destination. If I do not wish for my child to volunteer at a particular location or ride with other adults or students, he or she will not sign up for those activities.

Please sign and return with dues.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____