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DISTRICT GOALS

2020-2021 SERVICE YEAR

Each service year, the New Jersey District Board of Circle K International votes on goals for the district. In order for goals to be accomplished during the 2020-2021 service year, they must be completed between April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

26/55

K-Family
Relations Events

221/300

Members

0/1

Club Charter/
Reactivation

9/10

Active Clubs

34/35

Interclubs

3,394/6,000

Service Hours

66/65

Insight
Attendance

\$5,348/\$11,250

WASH Fundraising

86/80

DCON
Registrations



GOVERNOR'S GREETINGS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR KYLE LANK



HELLO NEW JERSEY CKI,

I hope you've enjoyed the start of your spring semester. It'll be a matter of weeks before you'll hear birds chirping, see grass mowed, and turn forward your clocks. The arrival of spring also means that we're heading towards the end of the service year. Despite only having one month left in the 2020-2021 service year, there is still so much to look forward to!

On March 5th and 6th, we will celebrate our 57th Annual District Convention. Although COVID prevents us from meeting in-person, our board and Convention Committee has worked tirelessly to provide you all with the best experience possible. We will have workshops, an alumni panel, and a Governor's and Awards Banquet to celebrate the service year. Our keynote speaker is Past International President and Rutgers alum Sujal Shah. I met Sujal recently, and I can guarantee that his speech will be incredible!

On March 21st, we will have our District WASH-A-Thon. A WASH-A-Thon is a 24-hour WASH fundraising marathon that centers around raising money for the WASH Project. A different board member will host each hour, and they will choose the programming. The main event is Mrs. CKI - a competition to decide the best club member. Registration will open after DCON, so be on the lookout for that.

Our district has 221 members, and we're only 56 members away from our goal of 277. To encourage recruitment, we will hold a March Recruitment Challenge. This challenge is a recruitment initiative throughout March that will reward the top recruiters from each club and top-recruiting clubs. The member that recruits the most people from their club will receive a \$10 gift card. The district's top individual recruiter will receive a \$50 gift card and a CKI Swag Pack. Each club that recruits 5 members in March will get a pizza party! Ask your club president for more information.

I'm excited to finish out the service year strong with the mighty New Jersey district. Thank you all for your tremendous support this year, and stay Jersey Fresh.





DISTRICT CONVENTION

CONVENTIONS AND CONFRENCES CHAIR
DARCY MCLAUGHLIN

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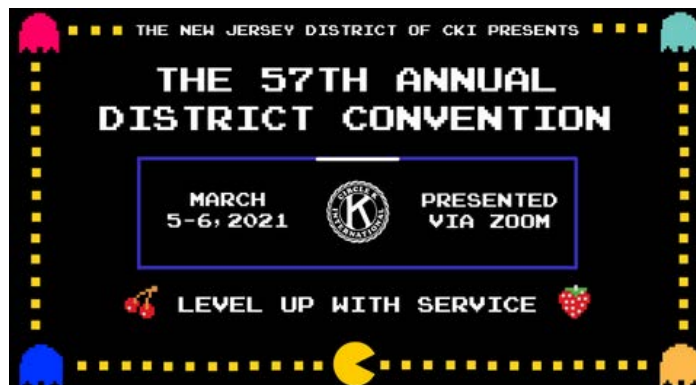
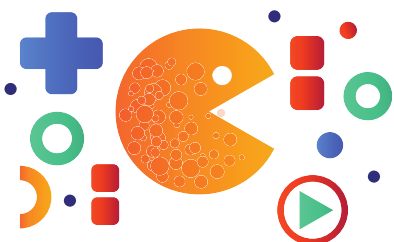
Are you ready to go back in time for a retro arcade District Convention? We Pac-ked a lot of fun activities, awards, and guest speakers into one short weekend. Just like for past years’

DCONs, this event will be a great way to meet members from throughout Circle K International, our supporting Kiwanians, and most of all, make a difference in the New Jersey District in the next service year! We have plenty of awards calling your club’s name, as well, which will be distributed during the weekend as well, so I implore you to come out and show your support for your club.

Starting on March 5 at 7pm, we will begin with our opening ceremony, where the entire New Jersey District of Circle K International will compete for a Limited Edition Freshie the Tomato Zoom background. It is during this time that you may declare candidacy for the district board, which is highly encouraged! We will have a virtual fellowship following this, and will begin Saturday morning with special guest speakers and getting to know our candidates before voting later on during the day. If you are not participating in the House of Delegates voting, our host club Stockton University has arranged a service event to participate in until the evening, when we will install the 2021-2022 New Jersey District board members and give out even more awards!

All in all, this event is not to be missed! We didn’t play around while planning this event. As the Conventions and Conferences Chair, I have thoroughly enjoyed planning this year’s DCON. I am excited to make history by coordinating the first ever virtual DCON. Most importantly, I look forward to seeing you all there as we celebrate all our district accomplished this past year through a pandemic. We’ve put in a token effort putting this event together and hope you all enjoy celebrating New Jersey Circle K’s many achievements at our first ever virtual DCON.

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NEW JERSEY DISTRICT

DISTRICT CONVENTION

SEABREEZE ZONE ADVISOR MICHAEL MURRAY



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District Convention is an amazing Circle K event and epitomizes what Circle K is about by providing opportunities to partake in each of the tenants of service, leadership, and fellowship. I always loved District Convention because I was able to catch up with the friends I had made at INSIGHT and other district events throughout the past year (and previous years), as well as meeting new people who may be attending a district event for the first time. The various workshops you can attend will afford you the opportunity to learn more about Circle K and the different projects/foci of CKI and the alumni panel is always an enlightening experience on how skills learned and developed from CKI has helped in their careers. Then there is the process of electing the new district board and whether you are a candidate, a delegate or just asking a question, this is a vital part of the organization that I encourage everyone to participate in. Finally, there is always a service project made available to attendees that benefit local or even global communities. Whether it's your first convention or your 20th (like mine) I encourage you to attend District Convention and although things will look different this year, it will be a great opportunity to celebrate all the accomplishments that your club and district have achieved. I hope to see you there.

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DISTRICT CONVENTION MEMORIES



WASH WATER MADNESS

MARCH 2021



24-hour WASH-A-Thon

What is WASH-a-Thon?

WASH-a-Thon is 24-hour marathon fundraiser designed by Circle K International to raise money for WASH, which is a program designed by UNICEF to provide water, sanitation and hygiene resources to underdeveloped regions. Circle K clubs are encouraged to fill out a 24-hour clock and participate in challenges and activities to benefit WASH in March.

When is WASH-a-Thon?

This year, the New Jersey District will be hosting our district-wide WASH-a-Thon on March 21st. During WASH-a-Thon, we will be hosting our long-awaited event via Zoom, Mrs. CKI, and all of the proceeds from this club member competition will benefit WASH. Stay tuned for more details about Mrs. CKI!



24-hour WASH-A-Thon



WASH | CKI

How To Get Involved

Team up with other people in your club or our district to complete a WASH-a-Thon and plan an event/activity for each hour of the day. You can also attend our Mrs. CKI pageant or educate others on the importance of WASH through social media.

For more information visit:

<https://www.circlek.org/service/wash/>



SERVICE CORNER

DISTRICT EDITOR AND SERVICE CHAIR

MELISSA NASH

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Hey everyone!

I am very excited to introduce a new service project that I came across called Missing Maps. This collaborative project was created by organizations such as the Red Cross to map areas in the developing world that are vulnerable to crises and natural disasters. By mapping these regions, international and local NGOs are more prepared and able to respond to immediate crises in these areas.

In order to start volunteering with this organization, you can register to become a mapper through their website. There are plenty of tutorial videos to help get you started with the mapping process and you can also learn to validate other maps. Volunteers use satellite imagery from OpenStreetMap to trace buildings, roadways, and other features. Once you are registered, you can start mapping these regions to help improve the lives of individuals living in developing nations.

For more information on this service project visit their website at: <https://www.missingmaps.org/learn/>

-District Editor and Service Chair Melissa Nash

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**MISSING
MAPS**

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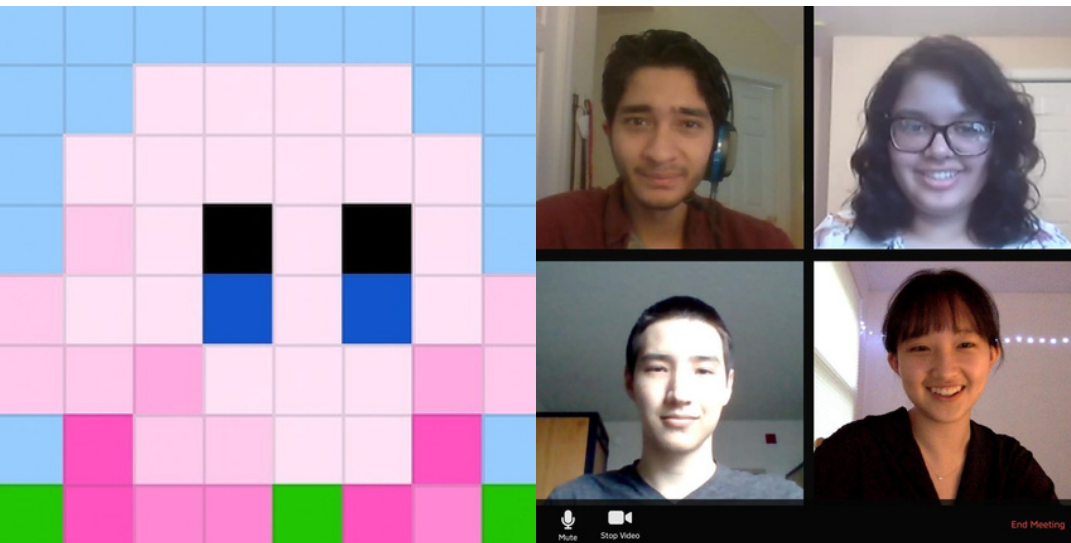
CLUB SPOTLIGHT

NJIT CIRCLE K PRESIDENT MICHAEL MAKAR



This past semester has been a fun one here at NJIT CKI. We began with some fellowship activities, including creating pixel art through Excel spreadsheets and creating/sharing vision boards. We've also taken some time to create thank you cards for frontline workers as they work overtime to vaccinate Americans across the country. Additionally, we've started back up our FreeRice competition to see who can get the most amount of rice through the UN World Food Programme by the end of the semester.

This upcoming month is a big one for our club. In addition to hyping up DCON for our members, we will be having our own club board elections shortly after. This week, we will be kicking off March Water Madness with a club-wide 6k charity walk that our members can do together or from home. Concurrently, we have partnered with the NJIT Food Pantry and Student Senate for a multi-week Food Drive for NJIT community members facing food insecurity. We hope to have one more service initiative this month in addition to these two, so keep an eye out for that. Everybody, let's finish out the service year strong!



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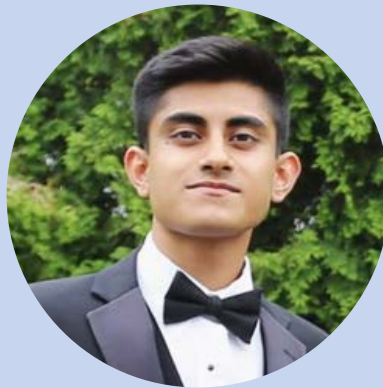
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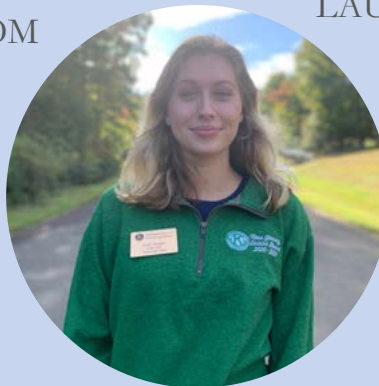
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