

Circle K Circular MTU

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Orientation 2005

Maddie



This year Circle K once again delivered welcome kits to some lucky MTU freshmen. We had over 100 of them and a few members of the club delivered them to Wadsworth Hall, McNair Hall, Douglas Houghton Hall and even one Daniel Heights (On campus apartments). There are two photos below of these welcome kits, you can see that they held fun food and toys for the students. The last Saturday of orientation we also held a Euchre Tournament and the SDC's F'all Nighter. Freshmen had the opportunity to participate in many different activities like basketball, euchre, tie dying and wandering through different organizations booths'.

K Family Service Day

By Jill Garrity



The weekend of Nov 4th was awesome for all of us who went out to Madison, Wisconsin for K Family Service Day. It was a long drive (5 and a half hours!) but it was worth it. There were tons of people there, and lots of cool projects. Aaron chaired one of the park clean up projects, and many K-ers were on hand to help him. Others went to the Arboretum where we cut down invasive species. It was fun but kept making us think, cutting down trees is helping the environment? Madison's a great city, and thanks to 'em for hosting us! A great time, and we're all looking forward to next year!

Circle K Chit Chat

Jill Garrity

Bulletin look familiar to you? Yes, that's because I took an old one and just edited things to update it. Lazy? I like to think of it as if it ain't broke don't fix it. Is there a point to this article? Probably not, but I'm going to write it anyway. I just wanted to say how awesome you all are. This is my first year with Circle K, and I'm impressed. It's a great group of people having a whole lot of fun (and fun in the pursuit of service)! What can be better than that? So I just want to say thanks to everyone, for being so great, and keep up the awesome work!

Kiwanis Chicken BBQ

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Every year Kiwanis has a Chicken BBQ to raise money for the year. Circle K'ers go and help out with the cooking, packages and selling. Each dinner has a whole half of a chicken, a baked potato, a roll, milk and ice cream! It is REALLY good food!

Upcoming Events

- ✓ Thanksgiving Break—Nov 18th – 27th
- ✓ Christmas Break – Dec 17th – Jan 8th
- ✓ Beard Competition
- ✓ Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast May 1st
- ✓ Adopt-A-Highway May 1st
- ✓ LSSP June 25th – 29th
- ✓ I-CON June 30th – July 3rd

Random Facts

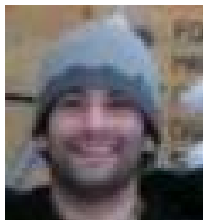
- 1 In Michigan, a wife's hair is legally owned by her husband
- 1 On a Canadian two dollar bill, the flag flying over the Parliament Building is an American flag
- 1 Cat's urine glows under a black light.
- 1 Nutmeg is extremely poisonous if injected intravenously

Leaders Among Leaders

Meet your 2004-2005 Officers

Want to know more about your officers? Want to know who your officers this year even are? Well, here you are.

Vice President – Jess Barden



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Hello, I'm Jess Barden, vice president of MTU Circle K. This is my fifth year in Circle K, and so far it has been just as awesome as the previous four. Some of my interests include biking, backpacking, kayaking and anything else where I get to be outdoors. Perhaps one of the greatest things about doing service through Circle K is that you get to work on projects that really mean something to you. For Make a Difference day we were able to organize a project where we cleaned up trash out at Hungarian Falls. For me it's these projects, and the great people, that keep me coming back year after year. I hope everyone has a wonderful year in the K-Family, keep up the good work!

Vice President: Travis



My name is Travis and I am vice president of the Houghton Middle School Builder's Club. I am in eighth grade. I enjoy soccer, skiing, and drawing.

President – Nikki Roth



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Hi! Let me introduce myself. My name is Nikki Roth. This is my 4th year as a member of MTU Circle K, and I am currently the club president. I actually graduated from Houghton High School and was a member (and president!) of Builders Club in Middle School, so I am very proud to see how active the Key Club and Builders Club have been, along with the awesome support of Kiwanis so far this year! I was hoping the installation of this newsletter will encourage you all to see how rewarding it is to stay involved in the K-Family throughout your different stages in life. I am looking forward to getting to know more of you and to having a great year of service projects and get-togethers with all levels of the Copper Country K-Family! (If you ever have any ideas for projects or socials, or would like to contact me, feel free to do so at anytime.)

President: Hannah



My name is Hannah and I am president of Builder's Club at Houghton Middle School. I am in eighth grade and I enjoy swimming (on a team) skiing and hanging out with friends.

Secretary – Jenn Christianson



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This is Jenn's second year as secretary. She's a psych major going for her clinical degree. She's a senior and is the assistant volleyball coach at Houghton.

Treasurer -- Erin Sparapani



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Erin is very active at Michigan Tech. Along with being Treasurer of Circle K, she also participates in Tau Beta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Wind Symphony, AIChE, St. Al's Choir and more. She enjoys biking, skiing, and crocheting.

Bulletin Editor-Jill Garrity

I don't really consider this an officer position, but if you're wondering why the bulletin looks real great, or why it looks horrid, that's me.



Safehouse Maddie



Every year as Halloween approaches Michigan Tech.'s Circle K starts gearing up for its annual participation in an event called Safehouse. This year Michigan Tech. Circle K spent almost 30 man hours preparing for and participating in Safehouse with most of the work being done by about 9 members both new and old. Games included pin the spider on the web, ghost toss, skeleton drop, pumpkin bowling and ring the witch's hat. We also went through a huge number of cookies, 4 jars of frosting, over 4 jars of sprinkles and an endlessly large supply of candy. Overall the event was a great success and praise was given by the kids, parents and event organizers.



MAC Attack Aaron

This year's adventures at MAC were as explosive and sensational as any other. For us Huskies, all adventures into the land of cheese start in the Copper Country. Three hundred miles, 10 gallons of gas, 6 hours and one clutch later, we passed the Gentlemen's Club on the right and turned left into the Easter Seals Camp, Wabeek.

This camp is the most amazing handicapped accessible camp of all time. All the doors open both ways or automatically. They have an amazing pool that is totally handicapped accessible and they have waterproof wheelchairs for the campers to use. In addition to the pool they have activities including, but not limited to; archery, canoeing, fishing, hiking, sleeping under the stars, and a very impressive ropes course. This camp is open to adults and children with physical disabilities. The camp focuses on a "You can do it"

What did you do for Make A Difference Day?

Jill Garrity

Circle K was a very active participant at MADD this year. Circle K sponsored three events. Jess Barden organized the Hungarian Falls clean up, Nikki headed up the Adopt a Grandparent project and Circle K sponsored dog walking. The Hungarian Falls clean up went really well. The group found a lot less trash this year. It's a great project as no one's in charge of the area, no one's responsible for cleaning it up. Adopt a Grandparent was a huge success as well. As Nikki said, "this went over really well, and a lot of laughs and smiles were shared." Participants went to Houghton Community Care Facility and made Halloween cards, visited with the elderly, and even carved pumpkins. Not only did Circle K sponsor events, but Circle K'ers were active participants in many of the events. Sarah McDowell organized the Hancock Beach Cleanup for the American Chemical Society. Jenn helped out at the UP Cross Country Finals for three hours. Everyone had a great time!

attitude. This is most evident in the handicapped accessible ropes course that is nothing short of amazing.

The Membership Awareness Conference (MAC) is a great opportunity to learn more about other Circle K groups in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan and meet people. Sharing ideas between clubs can lead to all sorts of new projects for all of our clubs. There are sessions to help train the new officers, and sessions for good old fashioned fun. You are sure to make lots of new friends. As far as service goes on this weekend of fun, there are different projects that go on in an effort to clean the camp up for the winter months and prepare it to open in the spring. Yours truly helped chop, split and stack quite an impressive amount of fire wood for the campers to use come the next camping season.

After a fantastic weekend that included (but was not limited to) two Denny's 12oz steaks, one on-going game of Frisbee, two football games, two games of Mafia, eight rounds of jousting, four hours of service and a whole bunch of new, awesome friends, it was time to return to Houghton. And believe you me, six hours with some good sing-a-long oldies make the time just fly by.

Know someone looking for a pet? Consider all the great pets at the Copper Country Humane Society!



"Shane - Such love, such devotion...but no one to appreciate this. His owners didn't have time for him so now he is waiting in a kennel for someone to walk by...look in his eyes and see how much he has to offer. He is a super canine - loves kids, dogs and cats....so if you have a little time, a little love and a little space to share with Shane...he will show you what unconditional love is all about. He is a lab/setter mix who is houstrained, neutered and pretty much the perfect pet."

(excerpted from <http://www.cchumanesociety.com/dogs.html>)

Looking for some community service opportunities? The Copper Country Humane Society needs dog walkers! They're open for walking M, W, & F 4-8pm, T 3-9, and Sat 12-5pm

“Laugh Long, Live Long”
Here’s a compilation of K’ers favorite jokes



1. A Blonde was at a gumball machine. She put a quarter in and kept getting a gumball out. The man behind her asked if he could get a gumball. She said, "Shut up! I'm WINNING!"
2. This really drunk guy walks up to a parking meter and puts in a quarter. He stares at the needle that has stopped at 60 and exclaims, "I can't believe I lost 100 pounds!"
3. A guy walks into a bar and sees a dog lying in the corner licking his balls. He turns to the bartender and says, "Boy, I wish I could do that." The Bartender replies, "You'd better try petting him first."
4. Remember, an alcoholic & a drunk are not the same thing at all. The alcoholic has to attend meetings.
5. Why did the bicycle fall down? It was too tired!
6. How many ADD kids does it take to screw in a light bulb? Wanna go ride bikes?
7. What was the pirate movie rated? Rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr!
8. What do you call a boom-a-rang that doesn't come back? A STICK!
9. A drunk guy is thrown into his car. He wants to drive home, but can't really see anything so he pats in front of him searching for the wheel but can't find it. Finally, he dozes off. When he wakes up in the morning he realizes why he couldn't find it, he's in the backseat.
10. What did baby corn say to mom corn? "Where's Popcorn?"

K Family Bowling

Maddie



The annual K-Family bowling event took place on Saturday, October 15th. Fourteen people came out to bowl including Circle K'ers, Kiwanians and family members! The group bowled, talked and ate pizza for two hours. Overall it was a great time!

Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

Jill

Circle K'ers helped Kiwanis serve over 350 pancake breakfasts on Sat Nov 12th at Houghton Elementary School. And they weren't just any ordinary pancake breakfasts. Besides maple syrup there was cherry and whip cream topping, sausages on the side, and even a fruit cup to top the whole thing off. Circle K helped out by serving food, orange juice and milk, filling fruit cups, setting out place mats, and refilling the coffee. A great time was had by all.



Turkey Break!

Can you find all the words in this holiday themed crossword puzzle?

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 M O T H E I V V F E B L U E B S
 P C R R A E W W Y O L E N M Y H
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| Thanksgiving | Turkey | Home |
| Family | Pumpkin Pie | Yams |
| Native Americans | November | Mashed potatoes |



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