Fall Picnic

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# Welcome to the 2010-2011 KDASC school year!

The Kickapoo District Association of Student Councils is off to a great start this year. The executive board is working to bring new ideas and increase membership for the district. We are hoping that with your help we can make it a great year with the district. We look forward to seeing you around the rest of the year at all the fun events. Have fun at the Fall Picnic!



KDASC members play one of the many fun games at last years Fall Picnic. The Fall Picnic this year is hosted by Unity.

### **Upcoming Events**

Oct. 28 - Halloween Dance Host: Atwood-Hammond Cunningham's Children's Home

Dec. 1 - Fall Retreat
Host: Tuscola
Center for Women and Children
in Transition

Jan. 19 - Winter Retreat Host: St. Joe Crisis Nursery

Feb. 17 - Hospitality Night Host: Mahomet-Seymour Beth's Place

March 12 - Convention Host: Oakwood Mills Breast Cancer Institute

# Don't forget to bring items to the Halloween Dance for Kickapoo Cares!

The school who brings the most items to each event will be first in line for food!

Also, the executive board will be keeping a running total of items that each school brought during the year. The council who donates the most will be recognized at District Convention!

# What to look for this year:

Kickapoo Cares

The district will be continuing the community service projects that we did last year. At each event, we will be sponsoring a local charitable organization. We ask that you bring items to each of the district events to help these charities.

At today's Fall Picnic, we are sponsoring the Humane Society which is a non-profit animal shelter. Each school was sent a list of items that are useful to the Humane Society to bring today.

The goal of Kickapoo Cares is to help out local charities and make a positive impact on our communities. We hope that everyone will use our leadership skills and help out as much as we can. Thank you in advance for being a part of this program!

# Meet Your 2010-2011 KDASC Officers



### Jessica Richardson, Senior, Shiloh High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: I love how everyone gets to meet new people and exchange great council ideas. Best Stuco Memory: Going to an Illini hockey game with last year's district board and driving around campus with Jon Dye.

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? I am looking forward to all the excitement and fun that this board is willing to bring to the district.

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): I love to dance, play basketball and volleyball, cheer on my brother at all of his sporting events, go shopping, and deer hunt.

Favorite Quote: "If at first you don't succeed, try and try again"

Favorite Animal: Penguins

Currently playing on your iPod: Undo It- Carrie Underwood

One place you would like to go on vacation: Hawaii Favorite Class: Honors Lit with MS. BOLAND OYA! Something on your bucket list: To meet Taylor Lautner

Last movie you saw and book you read: Vampires Suck/Lord of the Flies

**Pet Peeves:** I hate when the only thing people can do is pick the wrongs out of others and can't look at the good things people hold within them.

Aspirations for after high school: I plan to major in dentistry :)

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: I have had high honors all throughout my school career.

Anything else you would like to add? I love Michael Jackson!

### Michaela Eickhoff, Senior, Oakwood High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Meeting new people

Best Stuco memory: Helping my school host the 2010 State Convention in Springfield

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Meeting new people from the district, all the fun bonding with the district board, and of course making the newsletter.

Favorite Activities (other than stucco): Volleyball, Basketball, Journalism, National Honor Society,

International Club, Biology Club, scrapbooking, and spending time with friends and family.

Favorite Quote: "The future belongs to those who believe in their dreams" Eleanor Roosevelt

Favorite Animal: Chimpanzee

One place you would like to go on vacation: Venice

Favorite Class: Journalism

Something on your bucket list: Swim with Dolphins

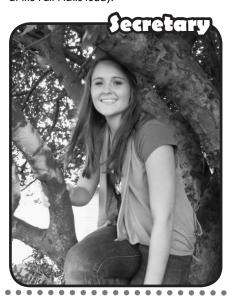
**Last movie you saw and book you read:** Toy Story 3/ Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows (for the second time)

**Aspirations for after high school:** Hopefully attend the U of I and major in Biology. I'm not sure as to what actual career I want to be.

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: Stuco president and Editor-in-Chief of the monthly version of The Onlywood Times

Anything else you would like to add?: I hope that everyone likes the newsletter and sorry I could not be at the Fall Picnic today.





# Hilary Rhode, Junior, Shiloh High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Decorating for Homecoming & Winterfest

**Best Stuco Memory:** At state my freshman year we had 18 people in an elevator, and we got stuck between the first and second floor. I'm not for sure how long but it was too long.

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Being able to come out of my comfort

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): Volleyball, band, Spanish club, and NHS

Favorite Quote: "When life gives you lemons make lemonade"

Favorite TV show: Gilmore Girls

Currently playing on your iPod: mostly Christan rock or my doodle jump app

One place you would like to go on vacation: Bora Bora

Favorite Food: Lasagna
Favorite Class: World History
Color of your toothbrush: Purple

Something on your bucket list: Go skydiving

Aspirations for after high school: Go to college and hopefully play volleyball at the college level.

**Accomplishment of which you are most proud:** Getting one of my poems, "The Dream", published in a student poetry book called The Gold Edition.



### Claudia Christy, Senior, Tuscola High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Getting to know students from other schools who have a shared love of leadership Best Stuco Memory: At a district event, Tuscola thought we had been skipped to eat because, alphabetically, we should have gone before several other schools. So, instead, we made an executive decision to cut in line where we felt we belonged. About five minutes into waiting for pizza, we heard the announcer call our name last. The host school just glared at us for the rest of the evening. Sorry Catlin!

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Making changes that get our present schools and possibly new school involved on the district level.

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): Other school clubs, such as NHS, Key Club, and Lifesavers. Football cheerleading. Reading. Watching more television than I should. Arguing with my sisters. Watching movies with friends. Listening to obscure folk music. Swimming. Dancing. Singing. Driving my beautiful car, Jesus (With a Spanish J).

Favorite Animal: Hippos. I don't even care if they're dangerous to humans; they're the best part of the zoo.

One place you would like to go on vacation: Greece, Italy, and India.

Favorite Food: Texas Spaghetti

Aspirations for after high school: College, career, family; You know the drill.

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: Student Council President with Lexi Wasiloski

Anything else you would like to add?: If anyone is confused as to who I am, you may remember me as the recycle crazy girl from various district events. Yep, that's me.

### Ali Brann, Junior, Unity High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Meeting new people and being involved in my school

Best Stuco memory: District Convention! Getting voted onto district board was the best feeling ever!

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Getting more schools involved in student council on the district level, and making a great scrapbook

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): Singing, football games, being with my friends and boyfriend, and playing volleyball and softball

Favorite Quote: Life is a shipwreck but we must not forget to sing in the life boats.

Currently playing on your iPod/MP3: everything but reptiles

One place you would like to go on vacation: DC cupcakes, Jersey Shore

Currently playing on you iPod: One Four Three by Ray J One place you would like to go on vacation: Europe

Favorite Food: Cheese Fries
Favorite Class: Music (chorus)

Something on your bucket list: Zip lining in Costa Rica

Pet Peeves: When people don't answer phone calls and when people are loud when I'm sleeping

Aspirations for after high school: Attend the U of I for rape crisis nursing and mental health and substance abuse counselina

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: Receiving most valuable non-senior in chorus my freshmen year Anything else you would like to add? I love to talk and meet new people, so don't be shy! And if you find me singing out of tune just ignore it!





# Kayleigh Pumphrey, Junior, St. Joseph-Ogden High School

**Best Stuco memory:** There's really too many to choose just one. But I would have to say that I love being with all my friends and doing something fun that is also productive.

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Getting to know everyone and being able to gain skills and knowledge to help me better my school's student council

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): I love hanging out with my friends and family and playing softball and basketball.

**Favorite Quote:** It's always about wanting to one-up myself from the day before. There's never an absolute 100% perfect performance, but going out and striving for that perfect performance is what keeps me going. **Favorite Animal:** Dolphin

Currently playing on your iPod/MP3: Just a Dream by Nelly

One place you would like to go on vacation: Kona Island, Hawaii

Color of your toothbrush: Hot Pink and Lime Green

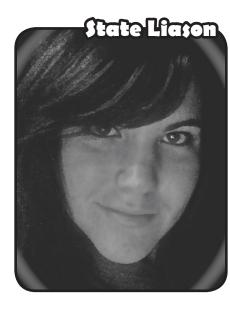
Something on your bucket list: Swim with dolphins off the shore of Anna Maria Island, Florida.

Pet Peeves: Nails on a chalk board noise.

**Aspirations for after high school:** I want to go to the University of Alabama and become a physical therapist. Then move back to Illinois so I can be with my family.

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: I would have to say that my greatest accomplishments would have to be getting good grades and getting my position on district board

# Kidrin News



### Lauren Ovca, Junior, Tuscola High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Working games

Best Stuco memory: Playing baseball in the lunch room with a duct tape ball.

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Illini Games!

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): Honors Choir, FBLA, Scholastic Bowl, Key Club, Lifesavers, Band, Tennis,

Playing the piano, Art Club, Swimming

Favorite Animal: Fish
Favorite TV show: The Office

Currently playing on your iPod/MP3: The Fray
One place you would like to go on vacation: Paris

Favorite Food: Any fruit
Favorite Class: Ceramics
Color of your toothbrush: Blue

Something on your bucket list: Travel the globe

Last movies you saw and book you read: Julie & Julia/Blink

Pet Peeves: loud

Aspirations for after high school: Attend the U of I and major in Architecture

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: I've played the piano for 11 years

### Nelson Starkey, Senior, Shiloh High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Getting to express my own ideas and also hearing the ideas of those around me Best Stuco memory: There are so many but the absolute best was when half our council got stuck in an elevator at state convention my sophomore year. We were stuck there for almost forty-five minutes!

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Getting to make new friends and also having new experiences as a webmaster.

**Favorite Activities (other than stuco):** Swimming, Reading, Playing Piano, Flute and Oboe, all of my other clubs at school, Playing basketball and golf

**Favorite Quote:** Watch your thoughts, they become words. Watch your words, they become actions. Watch your actions, they become habits. Watch your habits, they become your character. Watch your character, it becomes your destiny.

Currently playing on your iPod/MP3: Glee Cast Version of Lady Gaga's Bad Romance

One place you would like to go on vacation: Egypt

Favorite Class: Science (Biology)
Color of your toothbrush: Green

Something on your bucket list: Scuba Dive along the Great Barrier Reef

**Aspirations for after high school:** Go to College and Med School and become a doctor of some kind. Just not sure what branch of medicine to study.

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: Being on a state Envirothon team two years in a row.







### Joseph Miller, Junior, Oakwood High School

Favorite Aspect of Council: Meeting new people

Best Stuco memory: LEAD '09

What are you looking forward to most for this year on district board? Hosting Spring Convention at the iHotel

Favorite Activities (other than stuco): playing guitar and hanging out with friends
Favorite Quote: "Kiss me so they think we are projections... it was worth a shot." Inception

Favorite Animal: Golden Eagle
Favorite TV show: Scrubs

Currently playing on your iPod/MP3: "Down" by Jay Sean One place you would like to go on vacation: Florida Keys

Favorite Food: Cheese pizza Favorite Class: STUDY HALL Color of your toothbrush: White

Something on your bucket list: Go one round with Mike Tyson

Last movie you saw and book you read: Dinner for Schmucks/Zombie Survival Guide

Aspirations for after high school: Go to college (preferably Northwestern)

Accomplishment of which you are most proud: I made a memorial sign for the American Legion

**IASC News** 

# State Convention "Springs into the field of leadership"

The 76th Annual IASC State Convention hosted by Oakwood High School was a great success. Approximately 87 schools and a

total of 822 advisors and delegates were at the Springfield Hilton on May 6-8, 2010 as they joined OHS to "Spring into the Field of Leadership"

After registration, everyone received a free ticket and had the option to go to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. At the museum, delegates could see settings of key events in Lincoln's life, including the original handwritten Gettysburg Address and a signed Emancipation Proclamation.

Once everyone was registered on Thursday, the first general session was called to inal" Mike Smith. His speech

entertained everyone with his catchy rhymes and life lessons. He reminded everyone to smile every day and get involved as long as it is "not illegal, immoral, or fattening, and you might learn something and have a good time." His fast-talking and fun stories kept everyone laughing and excited.

After the session, there were many discussion groups led by student leaders from across the state. Some of the topics discussed included school spirit, public speaking, school service, and setting goals.



Two council members show their Kickapoo pride at the 76th Annual order. The session featured a IASC State Convention. The convention was held in at the Sprinfield Hilton. swap. Everyone could trade keynote speech by The "Orig- (Photo courtesy of Emily Clennon)

The purpose of the discussions was to gain new and better ideas that delegates could bring back to their local councils. There were two other sessions of discussion groups during the convention.

On Friday, the general session featured a motivational media program by Showtime. The program was a video on three screens that taught important lessons by using popular music and movies that are easy to relate to. The video showed the importance of making smart decisions and to not be caught

up in peer pressure.

During the convention, the 2010-2011 state officers were elected. The state board was installed into their offices during the formal banquet on Friday night. Following the banquet, Mike Smith led a candlelighting (glow stick) program where student leaders who excelled in leadership in their home councils were honored. This Reflections program showed everyone that we are united as leaders. Also that night, a dance with a DJ was held for all the delegates.

The last day of convention began with a t-shirt a shirt from their school with a shirt from another school.

It was a great and fun way for school to get new ideas for their student council t-shirts.

At the end of convention, the theme for the 2011 State Convention that will be held at the Westin Hotel in Chicago was announced. The theme is "The New Road to Leadership" and will be hosted by Carlyle High School and Convention Secretary, Sarah Schomaker.

# **Congratulation Jacob Henry,** IASC 1st V.P.



Jacob was on the KDASC executive board last year as the Webmaster, and he is now the Illinois Association of Student Councils 1st Vice President. Be sure to see him with all of your honor delegate questions!

# IASC Challenges the District

Is the KDASC the best district in Illinois?

This year, the state board is giving us the chance to show that we are the best. The challenge is to have the highest percentage increase of member schools.

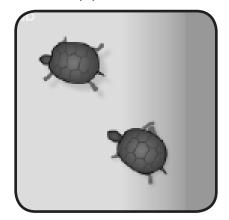
The district that wins will receive a #1 district ribbon at the 2011 State Convention in Chicago. The winners will also be recognized during one of the general sessions and will have preferential seating at all general sessions.

This is our chance to show that we are a great district. Last year, we had 12 member schools, so now our goal is to raise that number the most!

# Want to learn more about the KDASC?

Visit the district website at http://sites.google.com/site/kickapoostuco

Webmaster Nelson Starkey will be updating the website to keep you up to date on everything you need to know about the KDASC. Be sure to check it out!



Don't forget to feed the turtles!

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A look back at the 2009 **Fall Picnic** 



# See you at the Halloween Dance!