



September 2018

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE DISTRICT KEY CLUB

DIVISION 10/11

The Keynote

First, a reminder...Division 10/11 officer training is this Saturday, September 15th from 10:00 am—11:00 am at Franklin County High School in Frankfort. Training is a great way to meet other officers, learn more about your duties such as reports and information for newsletters that should be submitted, as well as what's going on throughout the year. I hope you can attend and look forward to meeting officers from every club in our division!

Second, now is the time to increase membership. We are just beginning the year with plenty of activities and meetings in which people can become involved from meetings at your school to the 2018 Fall Rally and later with the District Convention and more.

Third, the Fall Rally is set for October 20 at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge. Please see more in this newsletter about this important event and a bargain at \$50 for admission, meal voucher, and a t-shirt!

Fourth, please share the newsletter with all members in your club. You may tell them to follow the Facebook page to see it, anyone can download it from the Facebook page, save it and print it out and distribute at club meetings or forward in emails to others. We'll talk more about the role of clubs with newsletters at the training on September 15th.

As always, it is an honor to serve as your Lieutenant Governor for Division 10 /11 of the Kentucky-Tennessee District of Key Club International. Your thoughts and suggestions are always welcome. Please email me or call me anytime.

Best regards,

Grayson Thurman



Grayson Thurman
Lieutenant Governor

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NEW MEMBERS

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ABOUT KY-TN DISTRICT DIVISION 10-11

In 2017-2018, Division 10-11 included 16 clubs. Clubs were Anderson Co., Bourbon Co., Boyle Co., Franklin Co., Frederick Douglas, Harrison Co., Henry Clay High, Larry A. Ryle High, Mercer Co. High, Paris High, Scott High, Scott Co., Bates Creek, Western Hills, Williamstown, and Woodford Co. That's 405 members! Let's increase our club membership in 2018-2019!!!

DIVISION OFFICER TRAINING & MEETING

In the August newsletter, information was shared about the date and location of the training.

The training is this Saturday, September 15th from 10am—12pm at Franklin County High School in Frankfort. Governor Emily has also been invited to attend and help with officer training.

I have emailed all contacts that I have about the training based on the information that has been presented to Kiwanis/Key Club at the district level. I sent emails to Kiwanis advisors and Key Club faculty sponsors for those clubs for which we had the information. I am continuing to try and collect the up-to-date information.

I need the following for your club and as soon as possible!!!

- 1. Kiwanis advisor name & email;**
- 2. Key Club faculty sponsor name & email;**
- 3. Officer names & emails (President, Vice President, Secretary, & Treasurer)**

I need this info ASAP (even before this Saturday)!!!

Email this info as you can to: grayson@ktkey.org

TRAINING ATTENDEES: BRING PAPER PLATES AND PAPER TOWELS!!!

WE WILL DONATE THEM TO THE RONALD McDONALD HOUSE!!!

I look forward to meeting many of you at this important training session this Saturday at FCHS in Frankfort!

QUESTIONS?

INFO ABOUT YOUR CLUBS OR MEMBERS?

NEED ASSISTANCE?

CONTACT YOUR LT. GOVERNOR:

Grayson Thurman

grayson@ktkey.org



IN THE NEWS

If a member of your club has received an award, honor, scholarship, or accomplishment worthy of recognition, then email the news and photo if possible to:

grayson@ktkey.org

Send in the info and they will be featured here in in this space in a future newsletter!



KEY CLUB AND KIWANIS CLUB

Members of local Kiwanis clubs serve as our advisors, attend our meetings, and volunteer many hours with special meetings like our rallies, district and international conventions, and officer training.

Recently, Franklin County High School Kiwanis advisor and liaison Eugene Harrell was featured in a story in Frankfort's newspaper, *The State Journal*. The article is below:

Harrell finds reason for optimism in youth

Gene Harrell minces no words when he talks about the importance of volunteer work and what volunteering has meant in his life.

"Volunteering helps address needs in the community," said Harrell, 71. "There's a satisfaction that comes with volunteering and, I think, if people don't find ways to volunteer they are missing one of the major components of life."

Harrell, a member of the East Frankfort Kiwanis Club for 35 years, is the liaison to the Key Club at Franklin County High School, which the East Frankfort club sponsors. Other activities include the backpack program in local schools, a fish fry for senior citizens, and now in its 57th year, the East Frankfort Kiwanis baseball tournament.

During his years working with the Key Club, he's seen a lot of young people grow into leadership positions and become responsible adults.

"I'm an only child and I never married," he said, having come to Frankfort 40 years ago from Mayfield in western Kentucky to work in the office of the state treasurer. "These young people have become my children, and I'm blessed to have had the opportunity to work with them and have them still accept me."

Harrell says that, at a time when the country seems to be losing "empathy and the volunteer spirit," young people give him some reassurance for the future.

"Because of them, I'm pretty optimistic," he said. Harrell credits the late Keith Ashby for getting him involved in Kiwanis—and ultimately volunteerism.

"Keith kept coming into my office and trying to get me into Kiwanis," he said. "Finally, I ran out of excuses, he continued his persistence and I joined. He was in declining health and wanted me to work with the Key Club."

"That was the best thing that ever happened. Joining Kiwanis totally changed my life—and it was because of Keith's persistence."

Harrell said his takeaway from that experience was "never take no for an answer. If it's important, keep asking," he said.

At a time when membership in adult service organizations is declining, he said, Key Club remains strong. It's the largest service opportunity for high school students. There are 5,000 clubs in 38 countries—150 of them in the Kentucky-Tennessee District.

Harrell is proud that the Franklin County High School Key Club has produced two international presidents in John Jordan, who served from 1985-1986, and Jason Howard, who served two terms in the top office from 1991-1993. "The FCHS Key Club is the only one to ever have had two international presidents," he said. "All I can say to anyone is that service can be fun, whether it's kids or adults. It develops camaraderie that's so important in life." Both Jordan and Howard continued their education at Wake Forest University.



The State Journal



KEY CLUB DUES

Great opportunity now to increase your membership now!

Share information about your club with other students including activities and events like the Fall Rally in Pigeon Forge, TN, the District Convention in Franklin, TN, and the International Convention in Baltimore, MD.

Club dues should be received by District by October 1, 2018!!! Clubs can certainly continue taking members but will need to continue to send dues.

REMINDER

Division Officer Training & Meeting

Saturday, September 15, 10 am—12 pm

Franklin Co. High School, 1100 East Main St., Frankfort

ALL ATTENDEES:

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HOUSE IN CINCINNATI!!!**

THANK YOU!!!



10/1/18: Annual Dues payable for the 2018-2019 school year.

10/20/18: Fall Rally @ Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, TN.

11/2-4/18: Kiwanis Family Conference in Black Mountain, NC.

3/22-24/18: District Convention in Franklin, TN.

7/3-7/18: International Convention in Baltimore, MD.

DID YOU KNOW???

The first Key Club was started in 1925 in Sacramento, California by the Kiwanis Club. Initially, only male students could be in the club. Over time, girls became part of the organization. Key Club is the largest high school service organization and is now international with clubs in 38 countries.

OUR DISTRICT PROJECT—THE RONALD McDONALD HOUSE



**RONALD MCDONALD
HOUSE CHARITIES**

The Ronald McDonald House provides a home away from home for families of children who are very ill and receiving treatment at hospitals that are away from their actual home. It offers a safe haven for families to relax, eat, sleep, and also find support from others in the same situation.

Key clubs around the K-T District provide support in many ways. We volunteer to cook, clean, collect drink tabs for fundraising, and donate food and personal items. Key Club has worked with the Ronald McDonald House for over twenty five years!

****Please see the “Division Officer Training & Meeting” story for how we can help this month!***

2018 FALL RALLY

Who: Key Club members, families, faculty sponsors, Kiwanis advisors

What: 2018 KY-TN District Annual Fall Rally

When: October 20, 2018

Park hours: 10:00 am—9:00 pm, Rally @ 11:00 am

Where: Dollywood Family Theme Park, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

How: \$50 (includes park admission, a meal voucher, and a t-shirt).

Your family can purchase this same great deal!

Enjoy the park! Meet other members of the Key Club family!

There are two different ways to register and pay:

1. Online: Utilize a secure credit/debit card to register by going to <https://www.ktkey.org/2018rally>

This online registration link will be active and open until midnight, October 12, 2018.

2. Mail: Go to the website (www.ktkey.org) and download the registration form and complete.

Questions?

Contact Steve Phillips at (423) 508-4885 or by email at sphillips@ktkey.org.





FALL RALLY @ DOLLYWOOD in TENNESSEE

Saturday, October 20

Park Hours: 10am—9pm Rally: 11am

EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB & THEIR FAMILIES

\$ 50 (includes park admission, meal voucher, & tshirt)*

***typically lower than regular admission by itself!**

INVITE ALL YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!!

