

MAY ISSUE

THE RYAN RUNDOWN

DIVISION 15 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Disclaimer: We made a new Division Instagram account, so follow this one if you haven't already.

Hello Division 15!

I hope that all of you are doing well during this difficult time. Right now, those in need are more vulnerable than ever and need our help. This newsletter contains important information that will help you and your clubs assist those at risk. Here, you will also find information about our upcoming divisional council meeting, Eliminate Week, our monthly service project, and more! As always, I encourage all of you to email me with any questions or concerns you may have. Thanks, and blessings!

Sincerely,
Anna Ryan

THE ELIMINATE PROJECT

This week is Key Club's annual Eliminate Week! From May 6 to May 10, there have been daily challenges for Key Clubbers to take part in!

The purpose of Eliminate Week is to spread awareness and raise funds for Neonatal Tetanus -- a disease that has claimed the lives of over 31,000 infants in the past year alone. In fact, every 17 minutes, a child dies from this fatal illness. This is why Key Club partnered with UNICEF and took action. Key Club International estimates that they will raise \$700,000, and those who completed the challenges played a huge part in this effort! Eliminate Week consisted of five spirit days: Make it Known Monday, Toss it Out Tuesday, E-Lemon-Ate Day, Throwback Thursday, and Fundraiser Friday!



DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 1: Dues become payable

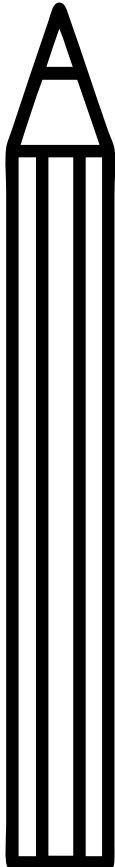
- October 17: Fall Rally in Dollywood

- December 1: Dues become delinquent

- February 1: Unpaid clubs become suspended

Please Note: Although these dates aren't close, I advice that you keep track of them.

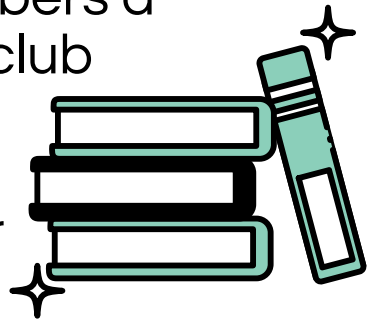
TUTOR PROGRAM



As many of you may know, I have a goal to host monthly service projects or social events for our division during my term. However, due to COVID-19, we obviously cannot hold social gatherings at this time. Despite that, I am still confident that we will find ways to serve our communities while bonding as a division. This month, I would love to accomplish that through a free tutoring program!

Why participate?

Since we currently have our schoolwork online, learning is getting tough for many students. For this reason, I know that setting up a tutoring system will be beneficial. Not only would it get Key Clubbers a volunteer opportunity and service hours (if the club allows it), but it would offer assistance to those who are struggling in our schools. For those of you whose clubs are interested, I would love for you to take part in this project!



How will it work?

I advise that clubs reach out to their schools for volunteers who may be willing to help, as well as students in need of tutors. I recommend hosting meetings between tutors and students through Zoom (if you need any help setting it up, feel free to email me). Also, I am going to send everyone a separate email containing a document that you can use to organize appointments. Choosing a specific day to set aside for your tutoring may help, too. Lastly, I recommend advertising your services through social media or other platforms that can easily promote them to your school. I want to get these set up in the next week, so please contact me if you have any questions! I will be sending out an email that goes into further detail soon.

MORE WAYS TO HELP

Right now, people are more vulnerable than ever. Because of this, it is crucial that we engage our clubs in service activities and encourage them to volunteer. Here you will find more ideas that I advise you to use.

1. Sew and donate medical masks!
2. Create COVID-19 graphics to spread awareness and educate your community
3. If you have a talent or hobby (ex: painting, baking), sell goods to raise funds for charities like UNICEF or Thirst Project
4. Make meals for struggling families
5. Write cards of appreciation to the elderly and veterans

DIVISIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

I will be holding our first divisional council meeting on May 22 at 2:00 CST. I would love for officers and club members from each school to try and be in attendance! It will be held over Zoom, so email me if you are interested in attending, and I will send you the link! I can't wait to meet some of you there!

RMH DONATION LIST

Top Needs

1. Monetary Support
2. Grocery Gift Cards
3. Canned or Frozen Goods
4. Clorox Wipes
5. Soap

Call Nashville's Ronald McDonald House (or the one closest to you) and ask them what they're in need of at the moment!

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

The Ronald McDonald House is our District Project. Therefore, our board hopes to motivate all of you to help this very worthy cause, specifically. This charity provides a place for families of sick children to stay. They are in need of monetary, as well as item donations. There are many ways that you can volunteer for them, including donating meals, sending pop tabs, and hosting school fundraisers! However, since we are social distancing, I understand that this may not be ideal. That's why we found more ways for you to pitch in from home! These include sending donations (list is on the next page), creating virtual fundraisers (through websites like gofundme), and holding online school spirit days to raise funds and awareness! Contact Nashville's location at (615) 343-4000.