

DIVISION 8 NEWSLETTER

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Hello again Key Club! As we head into our second month of summer vacation, I would like to recap on all the fun that took place at ICON. Being able to go up to the top of the Willis Tower and try a famous Chicago style hot dog were all great experiences on their own, but I think it's safe to say that the best part was the actual convention. We got to meet so many people from all over the country and even from other countries. Each workshop had something either fun like Key Club themed Jeopardy or useful like the lieutenant governor session. I would also like to say congratulations to the members of our new international board and our new international president, Emily Rice! I'm sure that this next year will be a great one for everyone!

Now that ICON is over, our next big event is our annual Fall Rally! As a reminder, Fall Rally will take place at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, TN. This year, the day of our Fall Rally is on October 20th. While that may still seem like it's far into the future, it's a good idea for clubs to go ahead and plan on holding fundraisers to help pay for the trip. I will send out more information on prices within the next couple of months. If you haven't been to Fall Rally before, it is worth going! The main rally session only lasts about an hour and a half, which means the rest of the day can be spent enjoying everything that Dollywood has to offer! Plus, it is also a great chance to meet everyone on the district board, including myself. I can't wait to see everyone there!

One thing I'd like to introduce real quick is the Youth Opportunities Fund. This allows grants of anywhere between \$100 and \$2,000 to be given to clubs or individual members. In order to be considered for a grant, an online application must be submitted by 11:59 PM, EST on October 15th. All applicants will be emailed the outcome by the first week of January. For more information, visit <https://www.keyclub.org/youth-opportunities-fund/>. As a reminder, all dues **MUST** be turned in before December 1st and can be paid starting October 1st. I hope everyone enjoys the rest of their summer!

Ryan Griffith
Division 8 Lieutenant Governor