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OHIO DISTRICT KEY CLUB

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FEATURED NEWS:

MAJOR UPDATE ON
THIS YEARS VIRTUAL
DISTRICT LEADERSHIP
CONVENTION IN APRIL

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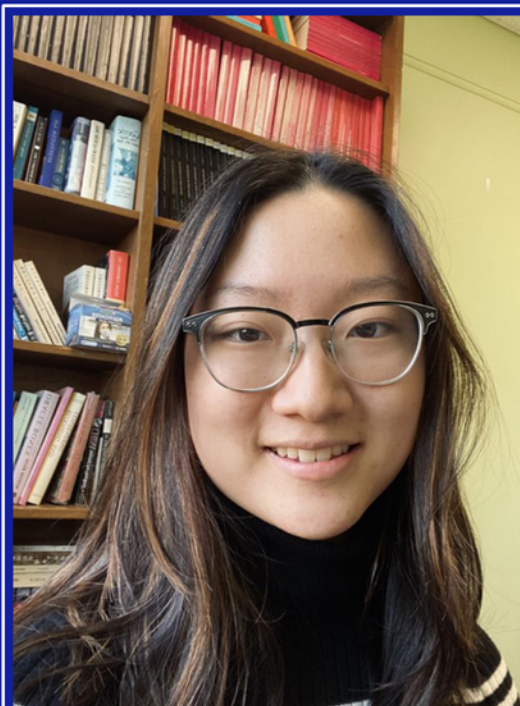
UPDATES FROM OHIO
DISTRICT KIWANIS AND
OHIO DISTRICT OF
CIRCLE K

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GET YOUR CLUB
MEMBERS INVOLVED
THIS SPRING WITH
THESE EASY AND
IMPACTFUL
PROJECTS

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MORE KEY CLUB
NEWS!



LTG

SPOT

LIGHT

featuring

MICHELLE

MIAO



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"I pledge, on my honor, to uphold the Objects of Key Club International; to build my home, school and community; to serve my nation and world; and combat all forces which tend to undermine these institutions."

OHIO DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONVENTION 2022

WHEN?

April 23rd, 2022 from 1-3 pm

WHERE?

DLC will be virtual on Zoom

THEME?

Hollywood

HOW TO GO?

**Register on OHKCC.org today
or contact your LTG for info!**

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONVENTION CONTEST INFORMATION

ALL
REPORTS
AND
CONTESTS
CAN BE
SENT TO
[chad.e.gardner
@gmail.com](mailto:chad.e.gardner@gmail.com)

contests due march 11

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
OUTSTANDING FACULTY ADVISOR
OUTSTANDING KIWANIS ADVISOR
CLUB PRESIDENT
CLUB SECRETARY
CLUB TREASURER
CLUB BULLETIN EDITOR
SANDY NININGER AWARD
INTERCLUB AWARD
KEY CLUB INTERNATIONAL WEEK
K FAMILY WEEKEND
TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
KEY CLUB SPONSORSHIP AWARD



2021's DLC Talent Contest Winner :
Will Madison!

contests due day of DLC

TALENT CONTEST
ORATORICAL CONTEST
POSTER CONTEST (DIGITAL & NON DIGITAL)
YEAR IN REVIEW (SCRAPBOOKS)
VIDEO
K FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT
SERVICE PROJECT

OHIO DISTRICT OF KIWANIS UPDATE

As you are planning your District Leadership Conference and transitioning to the beginning of a new Key Club Year, we are reaching the mid-point of our year. We are busy planning for our Mid-Year Education Day on March 19. We're pleased that we will be joined this year by the Ohio District Circle K as they hold their District Convention at the same location. We also begun making plans for the Kiwanis International Convention in June and our District Convention in August.

Our Lt. Governors have been busy meeting with their clubs and preparing for the election of next years Lt. Governors. I've had the opportunity to attend several Division Council Meetings and other events and am looking forward to many more as spring approaches.

Like Key Club, Kiwanis Clubs have been struggling with COVID. The COVID pandemic has made short- and long-term planning frustrating. Its disrupted our routines and relationships. A few weeks ago things seemed closer to normal, then another surge in infections caused a temporary return to virtual meetings. Some planned events went ahead as scheduled, others were cancelled, and others postponed. New case numbers in Ohio are trending downward, but it appears COVID won't be going away, it's something we'll have to live with and work around. I'm encouraging clubs to begin the process of planning for a 'new normal' that requires living with, and working around, COVID.

I continue to urge sponsoring Kiwanis Clubs to seek opportunities to develop stronger ties and lasting relations with their Key Clubs. Recent changes to school policies have presented some challenges: our emails have been blocked and access to school buildings has been limited. Many of our clubs are working to overcome these. I strongly encourage all Key Clubs to reach out to their sponsoring clubs and invite their members to your meetings and service projects, and for you to volunteer for their projects and attend their meetings.

Congratulations Governor Molly, Lt. Governors, and Committee Chairs on your year of service to the Ohio District Key Club. It's been a challenging year and you have all done a magnificent job keeping Key Club moving forward. I look forward to the day when I can meet you all in person.



**GOVERNOR
CRAIG SMITH**

OHIO DISTRICT OF CIRCLE K UPDATE

The Ohio District of Circle K is wrapping up our year the same as you, and we have some updates for how our year has been going.

For the first time in 7 years, the Ohio District of Circle K has shown membership growth! We are beyond excited to be welcoming so many new members to the organization and can't wait to see what kind of things they can do for their communities. We also have seen a lot of our clubs doing Kiwanis Family activities and have met our yearly goals for K-Family events as well!



(COLE HARBOUR, PICTURED ON THE RIGHT, IS FEBRUARY'S SPOTLIGHT MEMBER)

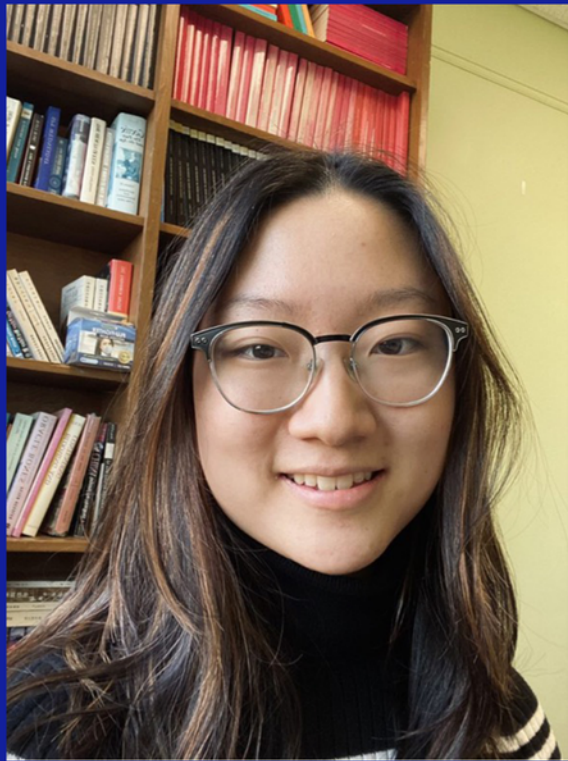
We held our Fall Rally in person last November and are holding our annual District Convention, the equivalent of your District Leadership Conference, later in March, where we plan to give away a ton of awards, elect our new officers for the year, and have lots of fun learning together. We expect to see a bunch of our members show up this year, where we will Surf into Service for the 2022 Convention.



(2020-21 CIRCLE K BOARD and Chad Gardner at FALL RALLY)

Things are looking up for the Ohio District of Circle K, and as we end our year, we hope you all continue doing the great service to your communities that you already do, and we look forward to seeing you in Circle K and Kiwanis someday soon! - **Ryan Bolin, Ohio District of Circle K Governor**

LTG SPOTLIGHT: MICHELLE MIAO



Michelle Miao, Lieutenant Governor of Division 5, got her start in Key Club after her friends told her how rewarding and fun it is. She eventually became interested in getting more involved with Key Club and wanted to collaborate with other clubs within her division. Besides Key Club, Michelle takes part in Model UN and Academic Quiz team. Michelle is also musically gifted, playing three instruments - piano, violin, and guitar.



(Michelle, with her home club of Talawanda, completing a project)

**Have any questions?
Contact Michelle at
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Michelle's favorite service project with Key Club has been helping out with the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast each year because it involves so much of the community. Her favorite memory would have to be making salsa over Zoom with her local Circle K. The advice she would give to aspiring LTG's: connect with a current or former board member to gain a sense of the position. After graduating high school, she plans to attend college to study political science. Good luck and Congrats to Michelle!

INITIATIVE SPOTLIGHT: ERIKA'S LIGHTHOUSE

In 2021, Key Club partnered with Erika's Lighthouse, a non-profit organization focused on fighting adolescent depression and the stigma around it. The non-profit is dedicated to ensuring no young person battles their fight alone. They focus on education and awareness in middle and high schools. "We want kids to know that you can get better, that tools to be the best version of yourself are available. It's actually an experience to gain skills around good mental health, without shame or stigma." - Ginny Neuckranz, founder of Erika's Lighthouse. For more information and resources check out their website, erikaslighthouse.org.



**Mental Health
Mural created
by the Dayton
Regional
STEM High
School in
October!**

SPRING SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS

Park clean up

Recycling initiative

Help out with a field day

Donate your old clothes

Host a bike drive for kids

Mow lawns for those in need

Volunteer at your local library

Plan a picnic with Kiwanis



MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Thank you everyone for reading! As always, if you would like anything included in the next issue please feel free to email me at maxkemats@gmail.com. You can also reach me at 330 - 831 - 12 12. The next issue will be my final for the 2021-22 Ohio District of Key Club service year. Until then, keep building your home school and community!



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2021-22*