



New Member Orientation

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From the last monthly statistics from the district, we do not appear to be doing New Member orientation.

The report indicated that with over 300 clubs in the District, we only managed to effect a net change of twelve new members. That increase is not even divisible by the overall number of clubs.

We try to make a change 'one child at a time.' Why can't we make a change 'one member at a time'? If every club decided this quarter to develop plans to get only one new member, regardless of the size of the club, we should have close to 300 new members – one person at a time. If you look at the materials that Kiwanis and the District have provided for our officers, you will see an excellent path to obtain new members.

My assignment for Governor Dave is to acquaint your club with the proper way to induct and orient a new member. It seems like the cart may be before the horse. We need to get out and find resourceful candidates to join Kiwanis. Each club should have a New Member Orientation Chairperson who is equipped with the mechanics to do the job.

I will go on record as saying – there isn't a club in this district that cannot find one new candidate to join. We just aren't trying.

Each president received a copy of the New Member Orientation brochure. It is very well prepared and will provide you a way to keep the member – once you get the member.

Why not schedule a New Member Orientation function in the spring? There is no doubt that with the effort, you will get that one new member. Governor Dave is halfway through his term and so are you.

If the club is showing minus, take the small step. If we all agree to get on new member this quarter, great things can happen. I think Kiwanis deserves that, don't you?

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requiring them. You will need to have TWO FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION a drivers license and birth certificate will suffice.

I look forward to a large number of New York attendees so get your reservations in early. If I can be of any help to you as you make your plans, please call at the District Office 315-735-3463.

Check out the
New York District Website at
www.kiwanis-ny.org

KI Michelle Sperr Brings Club Leader Education to New York

CLUB LEADER EDUCATION – On Saturday, March 18th, 2 dozen Kiwanians representing 18 divisions from across the New York District gathered in Fishkill for an all-day session to receive certification as Club Leader Education instructors for the period 2006-2009. Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, DPLG and Master Instructor for NY District, welcomed everyone and thanked them for the overwhelming response to her invitation. She then introduced Michelle Sperr of Kiwanis International who led the informative, inspiring and fun-filled session.

Many topics were covered including review of the Leadership Guide for Presidents and Secretaries, Membership Development Manual, KI's public relations campaign with specific emphasis on Kiwanis University and Key Leader, team building, KI Annual Dues structure, and recruitment /retention of members. All present were also shown some of the most recent KI service announcements.

As we plan for the new Kiwanis year, it is imperative that all club officers be educated in a timely and efficient manner. CLE ses-

sions should be held starting in May/June and continuing throughout the summer. This new cadre of trainers stands ready to serve you and your division's needs. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Dr. Ro directly at dejulio@fordham.edu. Remember, together we can make a difference.



Michelle Sperr of Kiwanis International shares invaluable information with participants about training Kiwanis Presidents and Secretaries.



Club Leader Education participants included Governor Elect Joseph Corace, Master Instructor DPLG Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, KI Presenter Michelle Sperr and New York District Governor David Rothman.



CLE participants share their thoughts and challenges with Michelle. When things got a little slow, Michelle was known to toss some candy to perk things up, a technique she suggested to keep local training moving.

2004-2005 Achievement Awards

Citizenship

Winner

Norwood

St. Lawrence Division
Adopt-A-Platoon

Honorable Mention

Rockaway Blvd. Golden K, St. Albans

Queens East Division
Veterans Hospital Service Unit

Public and Business Affairs

Winner

East Meadow

Long Island South Central Division
East Meadow Pride Day

Honorable Mention

Sand Lake

Van Rensselaer Division
Music In The Park

Youth Services

Winner

NYC Young Professionals

Metropolitan Division
Key to Future Day

Honorable Mention

Canandaigua

Finger Lakes Division
Easter Egg Hunt-Booster Seats

Spiritual Aims

Winner

Spring Valley

Hudson Tri-County Division
K Family Prayer Breakfast

Honorable Mention

Painted Post

Chemung Division
Echo Taps

Young Children Priority One

Winner

Newburgh

Hudson River Division
Baby Bookstart

Honorable Mention

West Seneca

Niagara Frontier West Division
Buffalo Bills Day