

The Lockport Key Clubbers Receive Support From Sponsoring Kiwanian

The Kiwanis Club of **LOCKPORT**, Niagara Frontier North Division – proudly sponsors the Lockport High School Key Club. Lockport Key Club officers recently made a visit to their Kiwanis Club during a weekly luncheon meeting with the Tuscarora Club.

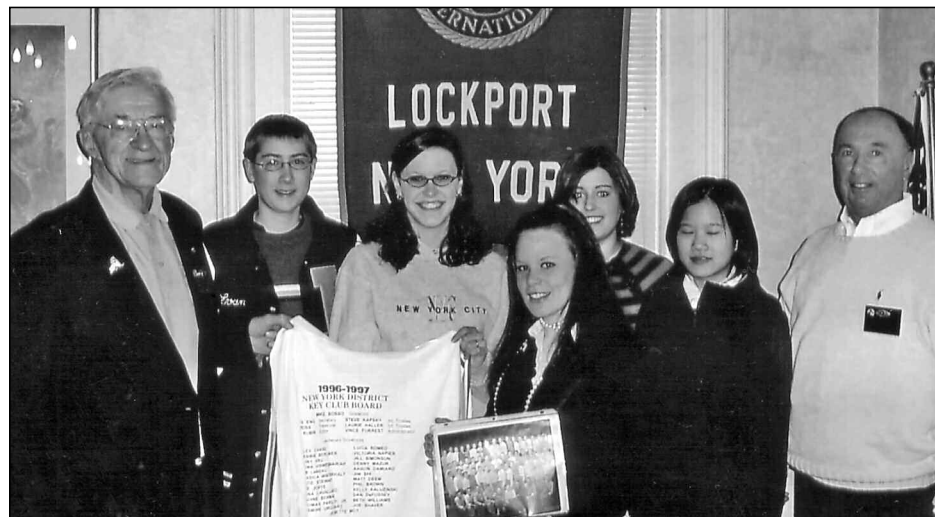
The Lockport Club works closely with the Key Club and supports its activities and projects. In addition, the Key Club members have given time and effort to the Kiwanis Club's bell ringers during the holiday season and participated in jelly bean sales at Easter, and most recently, assisted in the Kiwanis Club's high school's girls basketball tournament.

The Lockport High School Co-advisors are teachers: Elena Wozniak and Michelle Miszewski.

The Lockport Kiwanis Key Club Advisor is Tom O'Shea, a retired school principal and a very effective Key Club Advisor. He received the club Distinguished Kiwanis Award this past year. Tom is involved in many committees on the Lockport Club and in the city of Lockport, including President of the Fire Board. He also agrees with Governor David's statement during his recent division Governor's Visit, that we should establish a

relationship with the various youth groups in our communities. Past Governor Ed Kolek is an Honorary Life Member of Key Club International, and received the Key of Honor

from District Key Club. The Lockport Club had its 90th Anniversary on May 17th, 2006. It is the sixth oldest club in Kiwanis International.



Above: left to right: New York District Past Governor Edward Kolek, Key Club Co-President Evan See, Sergeant-at-Arms Amanda Moeller, Secretary Karen LeRoy, Co-President Kristen Marciszewski, Secretary Sharee Chen, and Past President and Lockport Kiwanis Key Club Advisor Thomas O'Shea. Lockport Key Clubber displays a picture of the Lockport Key Club in 1952-53. Some of their parents are probably in the photograph!



District Convention

Rick Thompson

Plans are firming up for the District Convention. The golf tournament is set, as well as some great activities for those attending. Shopping downtown Saratoga will have its benefits to Kiwanian as stores will offer discounts on their merchandise for Convention attendees.

This year we are sponsoring a food drive for a non-profit named Franklin Community Center. The Center operates a food pantry, an after school program called Project Lift.

Project Lift is offered in the Saratoga Springs City School District at two locations: We operate at Greenfield Elementary School on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at Lake Avenue Elementary School on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each day consists of structured, positive programming with group activities until 5 p.m. Children are provided with a healthy snack and bus transportation home.

In addition to the time spent at the after-school program, children and their families also have access to Franklin Community Center's ancillary services, as needed, including: referral and advocacy, free clothing and food, summer camp scholarships, school supplies, holiday assistance and more.

It is the food pantry we would like attendees to help. If you could donate canned goods at the hotel, that would help. We will have the Director of the Center join us on Saturday to accept the generosity of Kiwanian. Some of the items they use are: tuna fish, canned vegetables, macaroni, canned sauce, cereal and peanut butter. Let's show them how we can supply non-profits with the tools they need to service the needy.

You will have a great time in Saratoga Springs at the Convention, especially with so much to do in the area.

Saratoga is a food lover's dream. With more than 100 restaurants offering everything from southern fried cooking, to authentic French and Italian cuisine, to dining in a country inn.

Onondaga Hill Key Club Leads Community

The Kiwanis Club of **ONONDAGA HILL**, Ontario Division – sponsors the 54-member Key Club of Onondaga Central High School. The Key Club has been on a continuous roll sponsoring and handling community projects – and is looking forward to a full agenda.

A fundraising Zita Dinner last fall provided \$900 for various projects such as 25 Thanksgiving Food Baskets for families in the area and \$500 for Christmas presents for poor families.

One of their fun events was a Christmas Party for kids at Children's Village in Syracuse. Bringing their own Santa Claus, the Key Clubbers ran games for the children, entertained with face painting and tattoos, and served refreshments. Santa passed out gifts the Key Clubbers had brought with them.

Also at Christmas time, the Key Club joined with its Sponsor, Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Club, in providing juices for one- and two-member family clients of Meals On Wheels at holiday time, and provided \$200 to Red Cross Relief.

The Key Club is using some of its money to help send members to Convention.

The Club is planning to charge full speed ahead with a "Read and Lead" program for younger kid, sponsor a Change Drive to benefit Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, sponsor a "Battle of the Bands" with proceeds going to Kamp Kiwanis, help the Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Club with its Mother's Day Rose Sale,

help clean up Kamp Kiwanis in May, and provide needed items to Kamp Kiwanis for the new camping season.

The officers of this busy club are: President Erin Karyga, Vice President Shauna Sorenson, Treasurer Eugenia Episcopo, and Secretary Monica Hostedt.



Onondaga Hill Key Club.

2006 NY Key Leader Session in Livonia



Above: 42 students and 8 adults at Camp Stella Maris in Livonia for the first Kiwanis Key Leader weekend in New York for 2006 join for a photo. The students came from Western New York and a few from Pennsylvania.

Glendale Donates New Ambulance

The Kiwanis Club of **GLENDALE**, Queens West Division – recently donated a new much needed ambulance to the Glendale Volunteer Ambulance Corp.



Shown in photo: Glendale members Senator Serf Maltese, President Debbie Kueber, GVAC President Ryan Gunning, Councilman Dennis Gallagher and Queens West Lt. Gov. Mike Miller.

HISTORICAL SITES

- Battle of Saratoga -
- Learn about the Battle of Saratoga
- Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery -
- Scenic National Veteran's Cemetery

MUSEUMS

- Brookside Museum/Saratoga Co. Historical Society - Hands on activities and exhibits
- NYS Military Museum & Veterans Research Center - NYS's military history collection
- Saratoga Springs History Museum -
- Explore the history of Saratoga Springs

NATIONAL PARKS/BUILDINGS

- General Philip Schuyler House -
- Historic Home of Gen. Philip Schuyler
- Grant Cottage - Where President Grant spent his last days
- Saratoga National Historical Park - History of the Battle of Saratoga

And much more for you to enjoy!