

Circle K Holds Large Scale Service Project

By newly elected Circle K Int'l trustees: Anton Konev from University at Albany, SUNY and Brian Smith from Marist College.

A total of 131 Circle K International Members gathered in Greensboro for the 5th annual Large Scale Service Project (LSSP). Seven of them were Circle K-ers from NY.

This year's project took place at the Guilford Child Development Center August 8-12. Members worked outside for 3 days refurbishing the playground, designing a basketball court, creating a nature trail, and much more. After much hard work and a broken shovel, hammer, and saw, Circle K-ers had completed their goal with a couple of hours to spare.

On the last day, members gathered at a local park for Fellowship Day which included playing games, having a cookout, and throwing water balloons.

This year's LSSP was the most attended LSSP in its 5-year history. Three Kiwanians took part in the project. The first LSSP took place in Buffalo, NY in 2001.

Next year's LSSP will be held in Boston, MA. More information will become available later this fall at www.circlek.org.

Right after this large scale project, Circle K Int'l commenced with its 50th anniversary convention at the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel.

We elected the new international board, including 2 trustees from New York. We also voted on some important issues, such as refusing a proposal by 2004-2005 International Board to revoke district charters if they fail to maintain certain amount of clubs, clarifying our governing documents, recognizing the council of governors as an International governing body, and creating an option of vote of no-confidence for International offices candidates.

Members and officers attended respective workshops and learned more about the organization and their office responsibilities. We met people from all over the world, and bonded with people from New York district, and finally we HAD FUN!!! (At the many district block parties & dances)

Circle K also hosted two convention service projects: making cards through Hugs for Hope (an organization that delivers hand-made cards to sick children) and putting children's books on tape who cannot read.

Awards to commend work well done were given out. Congratulations to New York District distinguished district award, one of only 6 districts to receive this honor. Also congratulations to New York Outstanding Circle K members: Dana Welsh from Ithaca College and Debansu Ghosh from University at Buffalo, SUNY!!!

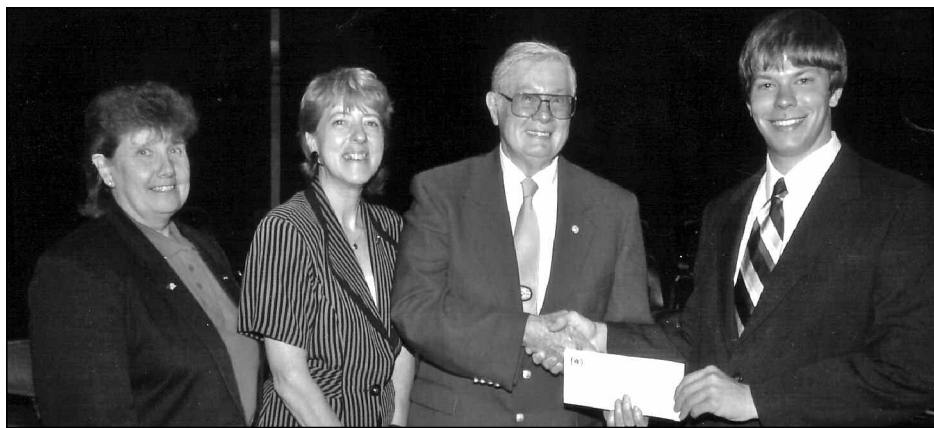
New York District 2004-2005 Club Bulletins Awards

Gold Division - 61 members and over
First: North Shore
Second: Rochester West Central
Honorable Mention: Kingston

Silver Division - 47 to 60 members
First: Sand Lake
Second: Newburgh

Orange Division - 40 to 48 Members
First: Corning

Blue Division - 21 to 29 Members
First: Pleasant Valley



NY Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship Winner

Kiwanis Club of FONDA-FULTONVILLE, Mohawk Division – recently presented Key Clubber David Johnson with the New York State District Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship at David's school. David was Key Club Lt. Governor for 2003-04 and executive assistant for 2004-05.

Picture on left – IPP Pat Pill, Pres. Sally Ochampaugh, NYD Foundation Scholarship chairman George Wells, and award-recipient David Johnson.

Woodridge Granddaughters Become Kiwanis Family



(L-R) Megan Gerow, Diane Garritt and Melissa Mielnicki – a true Kiwanis family.

The Kiwanis Club of WOODRIDGE, which serves the children and families of the entire Town of Fallsburg, has always been a family affair. . . spanning generations. Diane Garritt, President of the Woodridge Kiwanis Club, is proud that her granddaughters have joined the Kiwanis family. Granddaughter Megan Gerow has served as President of the Fallsburg Central School 'Builder's Club' for the past year. Builder's Club is sponsored by Kiwanis for middle school students. Granddaughter Melissa Mielnicki has been voted President of Fallsburg Central School 'Key Club' for the 2005/06 school year. Key Club is sponsored by Kiwanis for high school students. Both Key Club and Builder's Club encourage leadership skills and stress community service. Builder's and Key Club members have visited nursing homes to interact with the residents, have had successful coat drives to assist with winter outerwear needs, collected new toys for children at the holidays, and many more things. All members of these Clubs should be proud of their contribution to the communities they serve. Among their other accomplishments and club activities Megan is a member of the Junior National Honor Society and is a freshman this Fall; Melissa is a member of the National Honor Society and is a Junior.

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CLUB PRESIDENT: Please review the above recommendations together with your Kiwanis Advisor of your sponsored youth club. Use the recommendations as a guide, they represent "The Avenue of Success" for your Sponsored Youth Program.

OPERATIONS CRAYON: I would like to take this opportunity to thank Key Club, Circle K, and the many Kiwanis clubs who joined their sponsored youth clubs in soliciting school supplies for the children of Iraq. Together with the American Legion we have truly made a difference. Thousands of pounds of school supplies have been shipped directly to our troops for distribution to the needy children of Iraq.

The program created good will between countries, supported thousands of needy children, reflected Kiwanis Internal major emphasis program "Serving the Children of the World" and most of all, the program provided our troops an opportunity to work together with the parents of the children.

	Start of Year	Net Changes	Month End	Missing Reports
HUDSON RIVER WEST				
Callicoon	27	1	28	Jun Jul
Chester	43	9	52	
Liberty	14		14	
Middletown	96	6	102	
Minisink Valley	37	6	43	
Monticello	68	-2	66	
Port Jervis	20	-4	16	
Roscoe	35	1	36	
Shawangunk Valley	15	-2	13	Jul
Woodridge	38	5	43	
Totals	393	20	413	3
HUDSON TRI-COUNTY				
Elmsford	12	Missing	12	Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Mamaroneck	33	2	35	Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Port Chester-Rye Brook	33		33	Jul
Putnam County	16	-1	15	Jun Jul
Spring Valley	27	3	30	
White Plains	17		17	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Totals	138	4	142	26
LONG ISLAND NORTH				
County Seat, Mineola	65	1	66	
East Norwich, Oyster Bay	10	2	12	
Farmingdale	14	1	15	
Floral Park	49	-1	48	Jun Jul
Glen Cove	28	-4	24	
Hicksville	30		30	May Jun Jul
Manhasset	37	-3	34	
New Cassel	18		18	May
New Hyde Park	43		43	Apr May Jun Jul
North Shore, Long Island	87	-3	84	Jul
Port Washington	12	3	15	Apr May Jun Jul
Roslyn	22	Missing	22	Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Syosset-Woodbury	34	-2	32	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Westbury, Long Island	14	-3	11	
Totals	463	-9	454	32
LONG ISLAND SOUTH CENTRAL				
Bellmores (The)	31		31	Oct
East Meadow	152	4	156	
Elmont	17	1	18	
Franklin Square	52	11	63	Oct Nov Apr May Jun Jul
Garden City	59	12	71	May Jun Jul
Hempstead	27		27	
Lakeview	25	-5	20	
Levittown	60	4	64	
Massapequa	56	-4	52	
Merrick	74	10	84	
Nassau County Court Houses	43	-2	41	
Nassau County Young Professionals	13		13	Oct Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Nassau University Medical Center	26	-4	22	
Seaford Evening	20	4	24	
Town Hall of Hempstead	30		30	Dec May Jun Jul
Uniondale	18		18	Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Wantagh	72	1	73	Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
West Hempstead	24	1	25	
Totals	799	33	832	37
LONG ISLAND SOUTHWEST				
Baldwin	29	4	33	
East Rockaway	28		28	Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Five Towns (The)	61	3	64	
Freeport	24	1	25	
Island Park, Long Island	29	-1	28	Jun
Long Beach	21	10	31	May Jun Jul
Oceanside	43		43	Mar Apr May Jun Jul
Peninsula (The), Hewlett	65	2	67	
Roosevelt	12	4	16	Jul
Valley Stream	16	-5	11	
Totals	328	18	346	16