

Bronx Westchester South Truly Serves the Children of the World

The following is an excerpt from an email received by International Trustee Tom DeJulio from Chia-Sing "Sing" Hwang, International Trustee from the Kuala Lumpur Club, in Malaysia.

Dear Tom,
I am happy to inform you that the money (US\$2300) that was donated by the Bronx Westchester South Division Kiwanis Clubs of the New York District has brought happiness to many children in Penang, the Tsunami affected area. My home club, Kiwanis Club of Kuala Lumpur has added a contribution US\$2700 and the total is US\$5000. We have selected 58 Children from the Tsunami affected area. They were all invited to a school for a cheque presentation party. The Kiwanis Club of Butterworth has volunteered and put in a lot of effort to organize this project. Another club, Kiwanis Club of Sri Hartamas has also donated same school bags to each of the recipients. – Sing



58 children affected by the devastation from the recent Tsunami receive help from the Kiwanis world family. The children hold up their new school bags proudly.

Learning to Lead Others in Community Service

NASSAU KEY CLUBS – Key Club officers from High Schools throughout Nassau County met recently at Wantagh Park to participate in workshops designed to help them serve others in their communities. The annual training conference called an Officer Food & Fun Fest was Pirate themed. It was planned and conducted by New York District Key Club Lt. Governors, Karen DeMaria, Sean Feiner, Rickie Santer and Kim Kuhnert.

During the event, the Key Clubbers had the opportunity to meet the New York District Kiwanis Governor David Rothman, Key Club Governor Joey Denoncourt and, International Trustee Katrina Roehrig. In keeping with their Pirate theme, the Key Clubbers also had the opportunity to have a photo taken with a parrot from a local parrot club on their shoulder.

The afternoon's workshops included specific training for Club Presidents, Treasurers, and Secretaries as well as information on Key Club conventions, awards and service projects. Even while learning about doing community service, attendees were raising money to send needy children to Kamp Kiwanis through registration donations. In addition, money collected for the photos with the parrots were split between Kamp Kiwanis and the Parrot Rescue Center.

Lt. Governor Rickie Santer is responsible for 11 Key Clubs with just under 3,000 members from East Meadow HS, Elmont HS, Levittown's Division Avenue HS, Garden City HS, G C Tech, Hempstead HS, Island Trees HS, MacArthur HS, Uniondale HS, West Hempstead, WT Clarke HS. Rickie described a few of the events the clubs in his division

have completed. "The East Meadow High School Key Club works with its sponsoring Kiwanis Club to run a Thanksgiving Dinner that has fed over 650 seniors a free turkey dinner. The West Hempstead Key Club ran a Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society that raised over \$105,000. All the clubs in my Division are currently raising

money to make a \$1,000 donation to the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center at North Shore. Not only will this money support the specialized pediatric center but it will also give us a trauma kit with special child-sized rescue equipment that we would like to donate to a local ambulance squad," explained Rickie.



Diann Forquignon, West Hempstead Kiwanis Advisor, Key Club Lt Governor Rickie Santer, NYD First Lady Debra Fuchs, NYD Governor David Rothman.



NYD Key Club Governor Joey Denoncourt, Key Club LTG Rickie Santer, NYD Key Club treasurer Gabrielle Fuchs, Key Club Int'l Trustee Katrina Roehrig.



Key Club Lt Governor Rickie poses with officers from the Island Trees Key Club.



Sponsored Organizations and Programs
Tony Palangi

REFLECTIONS OF A GREAT YEAR 2005-2006

Congratulations to New York District Governor David Rothman and our First Lad. Debra for an outstanding year of growth and service.

The Sponsored Youth Organizations continued to grow and flourish in 2005-2006 Kiwanis year under the leadership of a great team "Governor Dave's Diamonds." The growing family of sponsored clubs is now a major factor in Kiwanis service and also a source of pride - over 325,000 strong internationally It certainly reflects the many years of nurturing and caring by Kiwanis since 1925 when Key Club was initially formed in Sacramento, California, followed by Circle K Clubs, Builders Clubs K-Kids Clubs, and most recent Aktion Clubs,.

FEW HIGHLIGHTS OF A GREAT YEAR

Over 20 new clubs organized among the sponsored organizations.

TUTORING PROGRAM

Over 50% of Key Clubs and Circle K, I Clubs participated in this project in conjunction with Governor David's project "Mentoring". The tutoring program mainly assists elementary and middle school students how to read.

HURRICANE KATRINA

Collection of canned foods, clothing and other personal items delivered by trailer-truck by Lt. Governor Mike Malark to the stricken area. Truly a great humanitarian project.

OPERATION CRAYON

Soliciting school supplies for the children of Iraq together with the American Legion. Our troops personally distributed these supplies among the children.

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\$460; this includes (banner, gong, member pens, etc.) for an unlimited number of youngsters and must be paid by the sponsoring Kiwanis club at the time of chartering.

Think of the benefit for the children. Builders Club provides a way to form sound personal values based on experiences in meaningful community-service activities. The members learn by doing. They learn organization teamwork and leadership. But the most important lesson they can learn is that individuals working together can and will make a difference to the world around them.

To learn more about chartering a Builders Club, visit www.buildersclub.org contact me at (917) 975-1038.