New York Attends New England Fall Conference


Key Leader
Kim Scharoff

Kiwanis Key Leader is going strong in New York. This fall we hosted an event at the Greenkill Conference Center facilitated by Jane Erickson. The students went through life changing experiences and have learned skills that they will be able to use throughout their lives.

We have a few interesting things on the horizon for Key Leader in the Spring of 2009. We will be hosting a school-based event on Long Island at Levittown Memorial Education Center on April 25-26. This will be an overnight event with the students sleeping in the school building. We are waiting to hear from International what the registration rate will be for this event. Students will arrive Saturday morning and depart late Sunday afternoon. Transportation from a local railroad station (LIRR) can be arranged. The program will be facilitated by one of the certified facilitators of the program. We will be looking for chaperones to spend the night with the students at the school. Start looking for your students now because we are sure this event will sell out quickly. Registration will go live early in 2009.

In addition, we will be hosting an event May 15-17 at Camp Stella Maris in Livonia (outside Rochester). This will be the 4th year that we are holding the event there and we are looking forward to being able to use some of the new facilities at the camp. Registration for this event will also go live early in 2009. Now is the time to start looking for students to attend. In addition, we will need chaperones for this event as well.

For those clubs that are not near either of those areas and wondering how they can get involved, there are events in northern New Jersey and Massachusetts that may be closer to you. There is no reason why you cannot sponsor a student to go to an event outside of New York. All of the Key Leader programs are facilitated by certified facilitators and cover the same curriculum. All I ask is that you notify me if you are sponsoring a student to an event outside the district so that we can recognize you (there is no way for me to know otherwise).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at kscharoff@yahoo.com or via phone at 516-452-0850.

Rachel Sherman Honored

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The dues for your Builder’s Club, was due by the end of December, 2008. However, we have been given a grace period until the end of February. After that you will have to pay the annual club fee, plus a reactivation fee. It is in the best interest of your club’s finances, to pay the annual club fee (Builders Club Dues) on time. Please check to make sure it has been done. It really is the best $150 your club will spend this year. I wish you all the joy that comes from working with this age student. They have so much energy, they think they are grown up at this age, and you allow them to prove it, to themselves and to the community by doing service. It’s a wonderful experience; you will not regret, I promise.

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