

Local Division 8 Clubs Sweep Bronze Division Achievement Awards!

Key Clubs from Canaan, Colebrook and Pittsburg attended the New England D-Con in Springfield, MA over the past weekend.

Canaan had 22 members attend bringing home 11 awards, Colebrook had 17 members attend bringing home 7 awards, and Pittsburg had 14 members attend bringing home 10 awards. The clubs swept the Bronze Division for Achievement awards with Colebrook taking 1st, Pittsburg 2nd and Canaan placing 3rd. What an achievement for these incredible young adults.

All three clubs have qualified to compete at the International Conference in July. To do so, their scrapbooks, essay or posters must place first or second in their category. Oratory competitors must place first to compete at the International level. All three Key Clubs have qualified to compete in at least one of the events! We definitely have a amazing group of Key Club members here in the North Country.

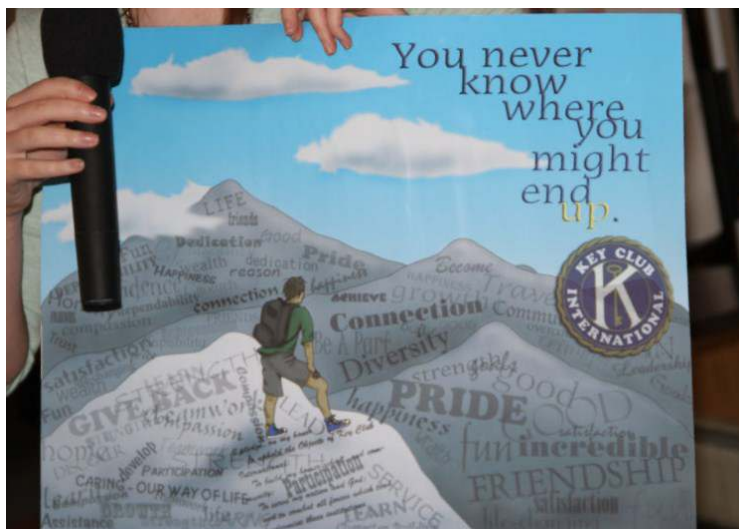
Members from all three clubs attended the April 13th Kiwanis to talk about their experiences at the annual event and display some of their award winning items.



**Colebrook Academy's
President Aimee**



**Canaan Key Club's
Non-Traditional Scrapbook
Entry**



**Canaan's Prize Winning Poster
by
Amanda Marquis!!**



**Pittsburg High's
President Tyler**

The following is a letter from Stephen B. that was sent out to all Colebrook Kiwanians and area Key Clubs members. Stephen has been working closely with area Key Clubs and is the new Co-advisor for Colebrook Academy Key Club.

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Kiwanians---we have a lot to be proud of and I hope each and every one of you will take the time to talk with the Key Clubbers and get a better understanding of what they have and continue to accomplish. Our clubs are well known division wide due to their accomplishments and have earned our undaunting support.

Hello Key Clubbers,

I wanted to drop you wild and crazy kids a line to let you know what a great weekend I had. I am so proud to be a Kiwanian and part of three of your Key Clubs. I came back from D-CON feeling energized, positive and with a renewed sense of what is important.

I know the awards are nice to get so you are recognized for all you have done. However, it is what you do all year long in order to deserve the awards that is so important. I am so impressed and awed by all that you accomplish each and every year. The countless hours of community service and giving back to your communities is something that no award can ever truly acknowledge. Your communities are better thanks to your efforts.

Your continued demonstration of stewardship, compassion, respect, community, integrity and excellence is unable to be truly quantified, and therefore, recognized. It is these traits that will take you where ever you choose to go in life. I hope that Kiwanis nurtures your leadership skills and that you use them to your fullest potential.

I was approached by so many advisors on Saturday night and Sunday morning congratulating you all for your hard work and efforts. Advisors from much larger clubs than yours said to me, "our club uses your clubs as the role model for what a well oiled Key Club should be doing." Being used as a role model is one of the highest honors you can ever receive. Your clubs have worked hard and deserve the recognition for it.

I am honored to be part of such motivated clubs and am one of many of your adult advocates. I have been bragging all day long at work about the work you have done this year and the recognition you deserve and received. I look forward to I-CON and all that has to offer.

Good luck to all of you in the up and coming year. Know that you do great things and that people do take notice. Aim high and work hard so that you leave your communities better than you found them. Under promise and over-deliver so that folks are awed by your work. Brag about what you do louder than what you won as that is truly what you should be recognized for. Be humble, but be proud.

You are a great group of young adults and I enjoy working with all of you. You are our future leaders and I trust you will all do great things. When you all become rich and famous don't forget us 'little' people who nurtured you along your way, and...please pick me a nice nursing home when I'm old and demented ;) lol

All the best to you all,

Stephen

## Cinco de Mayo

Colebrook Kiwanis will hold a Cinco de Mayo celebration on May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Colebrook Country Club. Festivities include Mexican beer tasting, appetizers, activities, fireworks and a Chile Cook-off, Admission to the event is \$15 per person.

The Chili Cook-off is sponsored by the Colebrook Kiwanis and proceeds will be used to help send our Key Club members to the 2010 International Key Club Conference in Memphis, TN. Chili tasting is \$5 per person. Let's help send these amazing Key Clubber's to Memphis!!!

## Interclub to St. Johnsbury-Return of the "Bee Gavel"

Several Colebrook Kiwanians attended the Monday evening meeting of the St. Johnsbury Kiwanis Club. The interclub had a two-fold mission.

First and foremost was to retrieve the gavel that was taken during the Annual Adult Spelling Bee. Treasurer Gaetane B. happily got the gavel - disguised as a "bee" - back. Unfortunately, the gavel is to bee (LOL) disguised until the St. Johnsbury arrives for an interclub. This was apparently one of the conditions for the release of said gavel.



The second part of the mission involved Spelling Bee Chairs Pat B. and Wayne U. - the club's speakers for the evening. Pat and Wayne are helping the St. Johnsbury Kiwanians set up their own Spelling Bee. Both parts of the mission appeared to be a success and a good time was had by all.



## Another Part of Our Bell Returned



## Berlin Comes to the Traveling Pig's Rescue



President-Elect Sis S., seen here holding the Berlin Club's pig, attended the weekly meeting of the Colebrook Kiwanis. The club's pig has apparently been doing quite a bit of traveling lately, some of which may have been done illegally!! The poor guy left home without his trusty passport. Wonder what The Immigration Service might have to say about that?!

### Weekly Drawing Winner

Drawing winner-Peter Moran

### Thank You Angele and Lindy

I would like to thank Angele H. and Lindy F. for taking notes during my vacation and e-mailing them to me.

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Editor-Colebrook Kiwanian

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

April 28

Blood Drive. Congregational Church from 12:30-5:30.

May

Annual Mud Run at Northern Tire.

May 2

Colebrook Key Club Science Fair. Colebrook Gym at 3:00PM

May 5

Cinco do Mayo. Wednesday at the Colebrook Country Club

May 15

Quilt Raffle Drawing

June

Bocce Tournament

June 24-27, 2010

95<sup>th</sup> Kiwanis International Convention-Las Vegas NE

### April Birthdays

Tom Gwinn April 18

### April Inductions

Jack Laperle 1982  
Roland Cotnoir 1987

### Kiwanis Links

Colebrook Kiwanis: [www.colebrook-kiwanis.org](http://www.colebrook-kiwanis.org)

Kiwanis New England District: [www.homestead.com/newenglandkiwanis](http://www.homestead.com/newenglandkiwanis)

Kiwanis International: [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)

Many Kiwanians sharing ideas and projects: [www.twitter.com/kiwanis](http://www.twitter.com/kiwanis)

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