



Keene State College Community Service Office L.P. Young Student Center Centennial Edition

Circle K and The Kiwanis Club of Keene

The first Circle K organization at Keene State College began in 2003. Before the group became part of the Kiwanis Family, they were known as the Student Volunteer Organization. Circle K continues to expand with each year. September began with Circle K volunteers assisting with the Alzheimer's Memory Walk and Cocktail Party hosted by Bonnie Moore and Langdon Place of Keene. They attend dances for MDS and every other Friday members travel to Hinsdale to walk retired Greyhounds with the Fast Friends Organization. The group adopted a family for Christmas with the City of Keene, and donated \$250.00 from their pizza sales fund-



raiser for the American Cancer Society. This semester the group will spend alternate Fridays assisting with sales at St. James Thrift Shop. The club continues to support the Red Cross Blood Drives on campus and has

combined with the First Book Organization to bring new books into the homes of low-income children. Caitlin Mealey is President of the club, she also serves on the District Board as Kiwanis Family Chair. Caitlin was last year's recipient of the Kiwanis Scholarship Award.

Circle K hopes to hold another major fundraiser next semester and strengthen the relationship with the Kiwanis Family organizations in Keene. The club meets every Monday night in the Madison Street Lounge at 8:00pm. They are always looking for new members who are interested in service.

The Kiwanis Club of Keene is preparing for a Gala Celebration of its 20th year of service. The club will hold a Mardi Gras themed party at the Best Western Hotel on February 21st. The Kiwanis club works collaboratively with the Circle K club at Keene State College on a number of projects and fundraisers. Circle K members attend weekly Kiwanis meetings at the Pub and the Kiwanis of Keene provides a one thousand dollar scholarship to an outstanding Circle K member each year.

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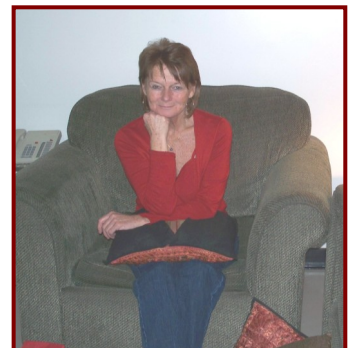
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Jane Beauchamp '73 Community Profile

Jane Beauchamp attended Keene State College from 1968 -1973. She is a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Keene, a community service organization formed 20 years ago. The mission of the club is to improve the lives of children and youth in the Keene area. Jane has served as Secretary, Vice President and Presi-

dent of the Keene Club as well as having served several terms on the Board of the club. She has been an advisor to the Circle K club and helped the students establish the club in 2003. Jane is Vice President at TD Banknorth and also serves on the Board of Trustees at the Cheshire Medical Center and

sub-committees. She has always tried to make community service a part of her personal as well as her professional life. She is active in the Elks Lodge where she has done everything from being an elf at the children's Christmas party to honoring veterans at the annual Veterans Day breakfast.



The Early Days.....

The Keene Normal School was established in 1909 by Henry C. Morrison. At the invitation of Principal Wallace "Daddy" Mason, social reformer Margaret Sanger addressed the students with the inspirational words "Enter to Learn and Go Forth To Serve". These words were later inscribed on the Alumni Gate as a gift from the class of 1910-1925. To this date the motto is modeled in the daily lives of Keene State College students and alumni.



Margaret Sanger

1943 brought a number of changes to the campus at Keene Normal School. With men being drafted into the Armed Forces, the women on campus engaged in selling War Bonds, harvesting potatoes on campus and donating blood.



Student Profile, Caitlin Campbell....

After high school I was dreamy over thoughts of my next big adventure, going to college! After a successful first year, full of new faces and places, I came home to New Hampshire and started an internship so that I would be on top of my game when classes restarted in the fall. Not long into my internship I began to have doubts my interest in the field would last very long, never mind create a passion I could make a career out of.

I filled out an online application for the Americorps National Civilian Community Corps or the *NCCC. Not too many weeks later I was once again dreaming of my next adventure, this time with a letter of acceptance in one hand and a boarding pass in the other. I wasn't altogether sure of what the next ten months would have in store, but I couldn't believe I was about to get paid to travel the country!

The *NCCC was a whirlwind. I lived in five different states for about two months each. My team worked in the Gulf Coast, built new homes, cooked meals to feed hundreds of other volunteers building homes, rebuilt homes, worked on an archeological site in Hawaii and numerous other service projects. Although I met many new people at work-sites, for the most part I was with the same ten people for the ten months. My team was a forced family. We trained together, worked



together, played together, ate meals together, and at the end of the day we hung out together. If we fought with each other, we would inevitably either head to bed that night in less-than-ideal living conditions still mad, or we'd work out our differences,

together. Under the same circumstances that could have severed our team something wonderful happened. We realized each other's strengths and weaknesses and used them to unite towards a common goal. Eleven young adults working towards the same goals get a lot accomplished. We became compassionate towards the communities we worked in. We were driven to work past our physical and mental breaking points and still went home happy; knowing that the work we were doing was making a difference. Sharing the knowledge that you're going to have a lasting positive impact on someone else's life all the while bettering a community is like no other feeling. The meager living stipend covered my Americorps *NCCC

travels, but the inspirational feeling of helping others is what keeps me more than compensated for my continued service work around the country.

Student Profile Continued..

In the spring of 2008 I co-lead a KSC Alternative Spring Break to St. Bernard Parish, a community devastated by Katrina just outside New Orleans. We worked with the St. Bernard Project to help rebuild homes in a community that could not have been more appreciative for our help and where KSC ASB will return this spring.

Bike & Build, a youth powered affordable housing organization led me across the country this summer. I was in one of seven groups of thirty cyclists who biked from the East Coast to the West Coast to raise money and awareness for the affordable housing crises in America. I hadn't ridden a bike previous to training for the trip probably since I was ten years old, but I rode from Providence, RI to San Francisco, CA over 4,300 miles in nine and a half weeks! I couldn't have biked across Rhode Island if it wasn't for the support I received from other cyclists and the knowledge of the help we would be giving to people who struggle every day to keep a roof over their heads. Summer 2008 Bike & Build raised close to \$500,000 and worked thousands of hours at affordable

housing build sites around the country.

This past semester I was in Tishomingo, Mississippi teaching environmental education through a Student Conservation Association internship. I was one of four naturalists teaching K-12th graders anything from aquatic, forest and wildlife ecology to survival skills. I was continuously adjusting the classes I taught, asking the other naturalists for suggestions, giving advice when I could and learning anything and everything about Mississippi that students asked. The rewards? Getting kids away from their comfortable surroundings, going outside into the woods and having them enjoy themselves all the while learning the importance of the natural resources around us that we all too often take for granted.

The thought of traveling to new places and meeting new faces still leaves me feeling dreamy and I've learned a little more than just perfecting packing luggage since my first "paid" trip across the country, but the one thing that stuck with me the most are the paid benefits of community service work are worth more than dollar signs.

Mentoring with CFES and Big Brothers Big Sisters....

The Big Brothers Big Sisters Club on campus serves as a support group for students to share ideas and activities with other Bigs. Club members volunteer at the Keene Housing Authority after-school program, talk with students at Monadnock Regional High School about College and plan monthly match events for Big Brothers and Big Sisters. This past semester, the club helped plan a day of apple picking at Allison's Orchard, they brought their little ones to the Trick or Treat night in Carle Hall and hosted a Winter Dance Party in December. At the party matches made ornaments, decorated cookies, danced and visited with Santa.



The Big Brothers Big Sisters of Western New Hampshire celebrates their 35th Birthday on January 31, 2009. The agency hosts about 80 Keene State College students each year as interns, volunteers and work study students.

Peg Monahan, Keene State College class of 1972 is the Executive Director of the agency. Peg graduated from Keene State College with a degree in education. She feels a great connection to the College.

College for Every Student (CFES) is a nonprofit organization committed to raising the academic aspirations and performance of underserved youth so that they can prepare for, gain access to, and succeed in college. This year the CFES club at Keene State College has continued to work with the Many Options after school program through "College Connections", a collaboration they have been developing for the past year.

The Many Options students arrive on Tuesday afternoons and stay for about forty five minutes. CFES students give tours of the campus, and take the mentees to the Dining Commons to taste college food. The children have been involved in art projects and college trivia games. The goal of the program is to encourage the students to further their education. Having the children on campus makes them realize that the College is here as a resource. The CFES club has also developed a partnership with the Marlborough Harrisville after school program. Volunteers go to Harrisville every Monday for about two hours in the afternoon, and participate in a wide range of activities. The group continues to grow and get involved with after school programs and mentoring opportunities.



Fall 2008 Service-Learning Opportunities

This past fall 2008 semester, faculty from across campus engaged in a diversity of service-learning projects. Described below are a few of the projects that faculty incorporated into their courses. Faculty who would like to have the service-learning projects that they incorporated in their classes published in future newsletters should contact Angela Yang-Handy, Service-Learning Coordinator, via e-mail at ayanghandy@keene.edu. Angela invites faculty interested in exploring the possibility of developing a service-learning course to contact her as well.

ART 350: Graphic Design II

Marsha Hewitt, Graphic Design

Students in ART 350 designed a logo for the Keene State College International Friends Club.

BIO 495: Biology Senior Seminar

Susan Whittemore, Biology

Students in the BIO 495 course gathered information about the KSC Biology Department and condensed this into a website. In addition to gathering general information about the department (i.e. faculty, courses, special projects), students researched the department's history in recognition of the College's centennial year, and compiled information regarding Biology alumni in the interest of tracking how these students have been using their Biology degrees after leaving KSC. The website design aspect of this project took place in partnership with the CS 340 and CS 495 courses this fall.

CS 150: Web Page Construction Matt Onyon, Computer Science

This past semester, both sections of CS 150 worked on website development service-learning projects for community organizations that had not previously had websites. The first section worked with the ACCESS After-School Programs in the Winchester and Monad-

nock School Districts to develop a website. Since this program is comprised of eight locations in southwestern New Hampshire, this class developed a website with an informative section for each location, and incorporated communication and online registration capability. The second CS 150 section worked with the Cheshire County Conservation District.

CS 340: Internet Programming

Craig Lugenbeel, Computer Science

This class designed the website for the KSC Biology Department. Students worked in partnership with the BIO 495: Biology Senior Seminar students and their professor, Susan Whittemore. The BIO 495 students provided the CS 340 students with information regarding the desired content of the website, purposes for it and utility of it, and the intended target audiences. The goal for developing this website focused on making it informative, interactive and user-friendly.

CS 495: Computer Science Senior Seminar Mike Hanrahan, Computer Science

Select students in CS 495 worked alongside with the CS 340 students on the KSC Biology Department website project with the BIO 495 course.

PSYC 495: Applied Psychology Seminar Larry Welkowitz, Psychology

Students in PSYC 495 worked with the KSC Office of Disability Services in a project to support and mentor KSC students with Aspergers. The goal of this project was to support Asperger students to be successful academically, socially, and personally while at KSC.

ISPSYC 399: Honors: Mercury and Power Karen Jennings, Psychology

This honors course worked on a research project with the Child Develop-

ment Center to purchase healthy toys and supplies. This project was framed in the context of the health and societal issues pertaining to mercury and lead exposure and poisoning.

TAD 496-01: Dance Education Internship Marcia Murdock, Theater and Dance

This past semester, there was one team in the North Walpole School who taught 2 classes on Tuesdays for 2nd-4th graders and another student who taught a class titled "Making Dances" to middle school students at Jaffrey Rindge Middle Schools.

SOC 335-01: Practicum in Sociology

Peggy Walsh, Sociology

Students enrolled in SOC 335 this fall worked on a diversity of service-learning projects at different sites. Community partners this semester included the ACCESS Program in Winchester, Antrim Girls Shelter of Lutheran Social Services, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of the Monadnock Region, Cheshire County House of Corrections, Cheshire Historical Society, Compassionate Staffing, Keene Head Start, Southwestern Community Services, Family Resource Center, Monadnock Family Services, The Mountain (Child Care Program), RISE for Baby and Family, and St. Joseph's Regional School.



First Book....

First Book is a national nonprofit organization whose mission is to bring new books into the homes of low income children. First Book—Keene State College was started in January of 2007. The organization fundraises to give book grants to income eligible out of school programs. Last year C&S Wholesale Grocers donated the cost of 50,000 books to children in Southwest New Hampshire. The club has been holding book parties for children at local after school programs with the assistance from AmeriCorps volunteer Sharyn Lawler. The Keene State College students plan literacy based activities to do with the children. After the activities are done, each child gets to choose a book that they would like to take home with them.

First Book hosted three book parties this semester in Gilsum, Winchester and Troy. The club also collected used books to sell in the Student Center as a fundraiser. A special thanks to Kaitlyn Tucker for leading the club since it began at Keene State College. Kaitlyn graduated this past December. Meghan Dehney is the current Coordinator of the First Book program. The Advisory Board will be holding a book grant cycle this spring. If your out of school organization would like an application, please contact Meghan at keenestate@firstbook.org. To find out more about the organization go to www.firstbook.org

Upcoming Centennial Events

An Evening of John Phillip Sousa

Tuesday, April 7, 2009 7:30pm

Emerging Art: The Annual KSC Arts Student Exhibition

Saturday, April 18, 2009—Saturday, May 9, 2009

Emeriti Retired Faculty Reception and Dinner

Friday, June 5, 2009 5:00pm

Grand Reunion

Friday, June 5, 2009—Sunday, June 7, 2009

Alumni Family Picnic

Sunday, July, 26, 2009 12noon—3pm

Parent & Family Weekend

Friday, September 25, 2009—Sunday, September 27, 2009

Homecoming 2009 & Pumpkin Festival

Saturday, October 17, 2009 11am—4pm

Holiday Jazz Concert Alumni Reception

Wednesday, December 12, 2009 6pm—7:30pm

AmeriCorps VISTA, Allsion Quillen

Hello, everyone! My name is Allison Quillen.

I am from Troy, Ohio where it is completely devoid of the pretty hills and mountainous region that is present here in New Hampshire.

I went to Ohio University in Athens, Ohio where it is indeed hilly because it is in the Appalachian mountain region. I left Ohio University with a major in English.

Last year, for my first AmeriCorps Vista position, I worked in San Antonio at an after-school program affiliated with National Farm Workers Service Center (NFWSC). My main job duty for NFWSC was the recruitment and sustainment of volunteers for the Si Se Puede Learning Center (after-school program). I also had to write the monthly newsletter that

was sent to all parents.

This year, which is my second year as an AmeriCorps Vista, I am working with Keene State College through Campus Compact of New England. Some of my job duties include, working with students in the AmeriCorps Serve Program and working with the many community service opportunities on campus.

After my AmeriCorps service, I may go to graduate school for Professional Writing and Editing



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America Reads Program

The America Reads program allows for students to use their work study allotment to work in before and after school programs. Keene State College students tutor children in reading and math. If you are interested in finding out more about this program please contact Allison Quillen at aquillen@keene.edu

Current Sites:

Keene Head Start Center

Keene Day Care

Keene Housing Authority North & Gilsum

Keene Housing Authority Harmony Lane

AmeriCorps SERVE Program

Keene State College students are eligible to participate in the AmeriCorps SERVE program. Students complete 300 hours of service during an academic year and receive a \$1,000.00 Educational Award. For more information on this program, please contact Allison Quillen at aquillen@keene.edu

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