

## About The Program

L.E.A.D. (which stands for Leadership, Education, Aptitude, and Development) is a unique program designed to give potential community leaders the training and confidence to become leaders in northwest Vermont. Seminars are held once a month over a ten month period covering a vast array of public service areas.

## What To Expect

Through a series of monthly interactive seminars, participants will learn the intricacies of human services, economy & environment, government & politics, community leadership, law & justice, education, communications & media, and health care. Each seminar includes discussion, tours, debates, and presentations by leaders in the field. The project component of LEAD will be divided into two semesters. The first with an academic focus looking at leadership skills, the second will be community oriented and on behalf of a local non-profit. Participants will work with a different semester.

## The Commitment

The Franklin Grand Isle L.E.A.D. Program will provide forum participants with the opportunity to gain knowledge and insight into community issues and leadership skills. Class members are required to attend all monthly seminars. Active participation in the team projects requires an additional commitment of time and energy. These projects provide meaningful real life examples of leadership.

## Calendar

SEPTEMBER: Opening Session

OCTOBER: Communications & the Media

NOVEMBER: Health Care

DECEMBER: Human Services

JANUARY: Law and Justice

FEBRUARY: Government and Politics

MARCH: Education

APRIL: Community Leadership

MAY: Economy & Environment

JUNE: Class Project Presentations  
& Closing Ceremony

## Participant

### PROFILE

Lisa Bovat Clark



"My desire for promotion at NMC changed to action after completing the L.E.A.D. program in the spring of 2007.

The knowledge I gained about my community, teamwork, and leadership opened many doors for me. In the fall of 2008 I was offered my own work place. A big thank-you goes out to NMC for their support of the LEAD program!"

Lisa Bovat Clark  
NMC Restaurant and Catering Manager  
LEAD 2007

LEADERSHIP

EDUCATION

APTITUDE

DEVELOPMENT

## Project PROFILE

Red Flags & Resources

A 2007-2008 LEAD project team sought to bring information together alerting parents of risky behaviors--the result, a beautiful, helpful and easy to read document, titled "Red Flags & Resources". This project is now a community wide resource for parents, teachers, physicians, and the general community. Call Sally at the FGI United Way for a copy 527-7418.



Georgia educators reviewing Red Flags and Resources, August 2008

"...It's Excellent"

- Fred Holmes, MD

"I can really use this..."

- Ethan Dezotelle, FNESU

"We are looking forward to using this..."

- Deb Kalstein -Lamb, BFA-St. Albans

"We've needed something like this..."

- Molly Comeau, Grand Isle Court Diversion

## Application Process

The Franklin Grand Isle L.E.A.D. Board of Directors reviews all applications. Limited to 20 participants each year, this competitive program accepts applications from employers, organizations and directly from interested citizens. **Application Deadline: August 16<sup>th</sup>.**

## Registration Fee

The registration fee is \$650 per person.

## Scholarships

It is important that financial considerations are not an impediment to those interested in this leadership program. To be successful, this program must appeal to our counties' best talent, regardless of one's resources. To that effect, the St. Albans Messenger funds an endowment program, the proceeds to be used for tuition payments for those candidates best suited for the leadership program. The endowment is in honor of Frank Lester Greene (1870-1930) of St. Albans, who is the only person born in St. Albans to be elected to the United States Senate. The distinguished senator was also editor of the St. Albans Messenger. The Scholarships are to go to those who embody the positive examples of character, leadership and community involvement.

To receive an application contact:

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visit [www.gicct.org](http://www.gicct.org) and click on the LEAD button

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"This was an incredible experience - the education of this simulation, and the quality and quantity of volunteers involved - was awesome... Thank you for the opportunity."

- LEAD Program Participant

