GRENVILLE BAKER
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

September 2025

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WELCOME BACK, CLUB MEMBERS!

September 8th marked a joyful return to the Club as dozens of members stepped off the buses and reunited with familiar faces and favorite spaces for the reopening of the afterschool program. The energy was high, and the smiles were contagious—but perhaps the most heartwarming part of the day was welcoming a brand-new group of kindergartners.

For many of these youngest members, it was their very first time at the Club. Unsure of where to go or what to expect, they arrived with a mix of curiosity and hesitation. But that uncertainty quickly faded as they were greeted with warm smiles and enthusiastic high-fives from the Club staff. Guided to their new home base, the kindergartners began to settle in and explore their new environment.

Throughout the week, the new members received a full tour of the Club, learned about the expectations and routines that help create a positive, supportive environment, and began to make the space their own. Between getting a head start on homework and sharing laughter during playtime, they started building friendships and forming connections that could last for years to come.

Watching these young faces begin their Club journey is always a special experience. It sparks a sense of wonder about the future—who among them might one day become a Keystone leader? Whose photo might grace a Youth of the Year board?

For now, though, it's all about learning, growing, and having fun. And if these past few weeks are any indication, it's going to be a great year at the Club.

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IMAGINATION UNLEASHED: A WONDERLAND DAY FOR KIDS!

GBBGC welcomed the fall season with its annual "Day for Kids" celebration, delighting families and children of all ages. This year's event transported guests into a magical Alice in Wonderland–themed world filled with whimsical décor, fun activities and opportunities for kids to let their imaginations run wild.

Families were greeted with larger-than-life flowers, colorful balloons, and themed activity stations. Members and guests enjoyed games, crafts and interactive experiences celebrating creativity and community. Children decorated "tea pots," played croquet, and met new furry friends at the petting zoo, while volunteers and staff—some dressed as Wonderland characters—kept the fun going all afternoon.

"Day for Kids is one of our favorite traditions because it gives families a chance to connect, play, and simply enjoy being together," said Melissa Rhodes, Executive Director. "This year's Alice in Wonderland theme made it extra special—we loved seeing the joy on our kids' faces."

We are grateful to our Premier Sponsor, PSEG, and to Sid's All American and Mister Softee for providing delicious food and treats. As fall begins, the Club is proud to continue creating meaningful memories and brighter futures for families in the community.

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PAUL SCHIEFERSTEIN — POWERING GOOD AT GBBGC

Aviator Circle Spotlight: *Each month, we're proud to highlight members of our Aviator Circle—a distinguished group of donors whose generosity fuels our mission year-round. These dedicated supporters sponsor three or more events or programs annually, including the Gala, Golf Outing, Basketball Program, and Day for Kids.*

Their ongoing support makes a lasting impact on the lives of the young people we serve. Interested in joining? Contact Tara Butler-Sahai at (516) 759-5437 ext. 214 or tara.butler-sahai@gbbgc.org.

Paul Schieferstein as a Club member and at the 2025 GBBGC Job Fair

When you talk about people who truly power their communities, Paul Schieferstein is a name that shines brightly. As the driving force behind Serve Well Electric, Paul has built a reputation not only as a successful businessman but also as a dedicated community advocate, particularly through his longstanding support of Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club.

Paul's connection to the Club runs deep—he is a proud alumnus whose experiences in its programs helped shape his character and work ethic. He credits the Club with instilling the values of responsibility, service and perseverance. Today, his commitment to giving back is a full-circle moment that shows just how impactful the Club can be in a young person's life.

After studying business at Hofstra University, Paul carried forward the principles and entrepreneurial spirit that fueled his success in the electrical contracting industry. As owner of Serve Well Electric, he has grown the company into a trusted name on Long Island, known for its quality work, integrity and community involvement.

Through generous donations, hands-on volunteering, and steady support of Club events, Paul has made giving back a cornerstone of his life. His dedication was formally recognized in 2012, when he was honored at the Club's annual Golf Outing.

Away from work and service, Paul enjoys a grounded life with his wife, Dawn. Their partnership reflects the same values Paul brings to everything he does: loyalty, commitment and genuine care for others.

In every sense of the word, Paul Schieferstein exemplifies what it means to serve well—not only through his business, but through the lasting impact he continues to make at Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club.

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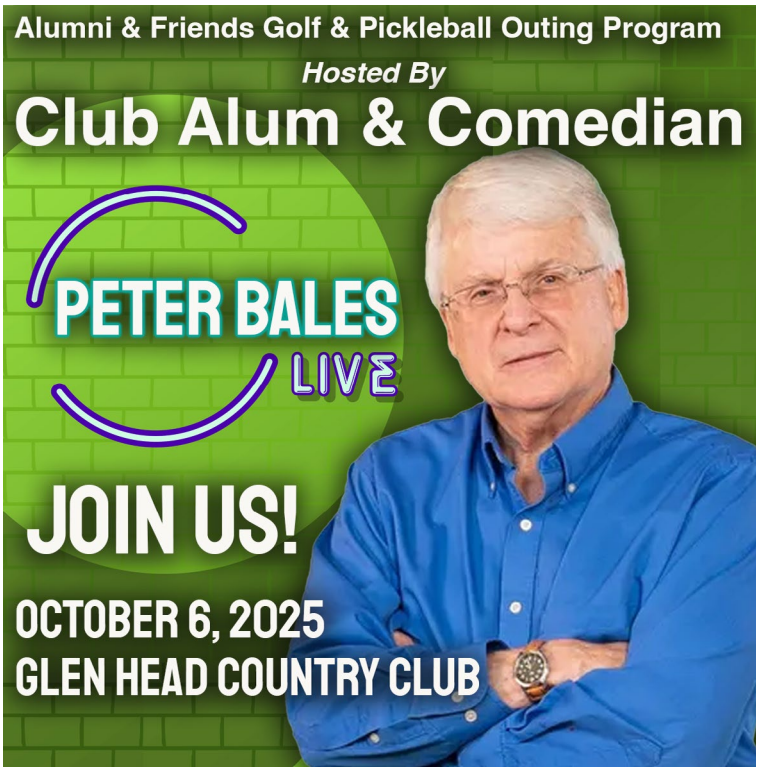

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they learn to believe in themselves.

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