



From left, Gov. Joe Aiello, with Middle Village Kiwanis members: Immediate Distinguished Past President Tina Di Troia, Donna Russo and incoming President Al Gentile. Aiello was presenting Russo with a Zeller Award, which provides support for Kiwanis International's Eliminate Project.



The Aktion Club of FEC/HRW, which is sponsored by the Chester, Middletown and Minisink Kiwanis clubs, collected food for first three weeks of November, then met on Nov. 25 to pack the food baskets and deliver them. They prepared Holiday Boxes for three families for Thanksgiving. They had collected enough to fill additional boxes as well.

Oceanside Hosts Community Holiday Party

"Holiday Happenings" is the name of an event co-sponsored by the Oceanside Kiwanis Club and the Department of Community Activities, which is where Long Island Southwest Division Lt. Gov. Nancy Baxter works as a recreation assistant.

This year's event took place on Dec. 14 at Oceanside School #6 in Oceanside. It is a community event for all, young and old.

The day started with a sing-a-long by the Oceanside Middle school and High

School choirs. Then Santa arrived to surprise the children and adults. Santa went to his "Workshop" to take pictures with the children and give them small toys.

Outside on the track was a free horse drawn wagon ride, sponsored by the local community groups -- Kiwanis, Chamber, Rotary, Fire Dept and Education Foundation as well.

This is one of the Oceanside Kiwanis' biggest events, next to our Super Bowl pancake breakfast (coming in Feb). And this is all free to the community. Kiwanis pays for the gifts, cookies etc and the Department of Community Activities pays for some staffing.

International Foundation

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The Mid Winter Conference is soon upon us. I hope you will be attending. There are several big changes that the Kiwanis International Foundation has instituted in the form of Club and District recognition that effects us all. They will be covered during Saturday's forum session. Please make every effort to attend.

In the meantime I would like to tell you about a simple way way to raise funds, donate and support the International Foundation. Goodsearch.com !

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International Program to support Eliminate Project

Kiwanis International President Gunter Gasser and his wife, Christiana, are organizing a project they hope will raise as much as \$100,000 for the Eliminate Project, and it involves all the districts in the Kiwanis world.

Districts are being asked to collect 50 drawings or paintings from children interpreting the phrase "bridge to the future". The artwork, which should be 8.5 by 11 inches, will be sent to Kiwanis International about April 1 where it will be framed and then put on sale at the International Convention in Tokyo-Chiba for \$20 to \$50 per piece.

It is estimated the project will raise between \$40,000 to \$100,000 as a gift to The Eliminate Project.

See the District web site, www.kiwanis-ny.org, for a letter from Christiana Gasser about the project and the required permission form.