

Roscoe Kiwanians Provide Dictionary to Students

The Kiwanis Club of **ROSCOE**, Hudson River West Division – for the past four years has participated in The Dictionary Project, a program with the goal of getting all 3rd graders their own dictionary.

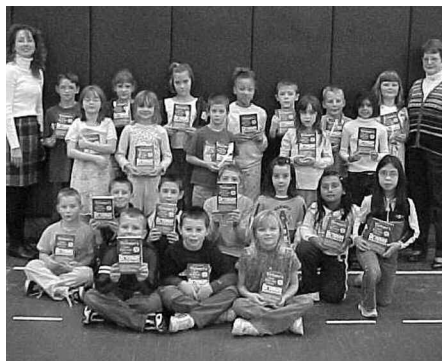
A dictionary is perhaps the first and most powerful reference tool that a child should own. Its usefulness goes beyond the spellings, pronunciations and definitions it lists. It is also a companion for solving problems that arise as a child develops his or her reading, writing, and creative thinking abilities. Students benefit from an increased self-reliance and resourcefulness inspired by the maxim, "look it up." The importance of using a dictionary to make sure all words are spelled correctly is emphasized. This is an opportunity for children to expand their vocabulary.

The success of The Dictionary Project has been through the tireless efforts of the people who have made a personal commitment to improving literacy and the quality of life in their community. A dictionary is an essential tool for a quality education. A child cannot do his or her best work without one. Together we can make sure that every child benefits from the power of words, because that is the only way they can become self-reliant. Reading is the most important skill of all. It is the starting point for all the economic and social opportunities this world has to offer.

Over 3,022,088 children have received a dictionary from volunteers who have participated in the Dictionary Project to provide a dictionary for the children in their community each year, so they can enjoy the benefits of a large vocabulary.

1,128,579 dictionaries were given to students in the 2004-2005 school year as a gift from people who live in their town.

<www.dictionaryproject.org>



Teacher Kristy Robinson, left and Roscoe member Shirley Wood, right present third grades with their own dictionary.



Heritage Society

Carla Ingram

My name is Carla Ingram. I am the District Chair for the Heritage Society. The Kiwanis International Foundation established the Heritage Society to recognize individuals who have named the Foundation in their estate plans.

I have been in Kiwanis for over 15 years and have served on a few committees as the chair. I am a Past Lt. Governor three times over and want to do it again some day. I am honored to be the Heritage Society Chairperson and with my background as a paralegal, I hope to do a good job.

There are several types of Planned Gifts. They are Bequests, Charitable Gift Annuity, Life Insurance, Charitable Remainder Trust, Revocable Living Trust, and Retirement Plan Beneficiary. The Heritage Society is a main source of endowment support and is needed to ensure future financial stability of the Foundation. Membership to the Heritage Society is offered to individuals who signify their intent to: provide a "planned gift" to Kiwanis International Foundation Endowment Fund or make an outright charitable gift of at least \$5,000 US Funds.

My goals for this committee are to make each and every Kiwanian aware of the Heritage Society. I also want to make sure that every Kiwanian not only knows about the Heritage Society, but they consider putting Kiwanis International in their estate planning.

For more information about the Heritage Society or to find out if you qualify for membership in the Society, contact the Kiwanis International Foundation or contact me by phone number 315-268-0424 or email <challenge741@yahoo.com>.

Clubs Honor Members With Foundation Distinguished Service Awards

In an effort to recognize individuals for meritorious service, the New York District Foundation has developed the Distinguished Service Award. This high gloss color certificate will be personalized with recipients' names and signed by our Foundation President and packaged in a leather folder with an embossed Foundation label.

The award can be presented by clubs **once a year for one club member**. The donation for this award is \$150. It is a great means of honoring someone in a special way. Just fill out the coupon on the right, enclose your check payable to the NY District Foundation, and send to Maureen Neuringer, 1535 63rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219.

West End, Brooklyn Second Annual Golf Outing

Thursday, June 22nd

Dyker Park Golf Course
Shotgun at 1:00pm

\$125

includes dinner at the Rex Manor that evening
Raffles & Door Prizes
Hole Sponsorship \$100

For details call

Joe Costello (718) 331-4600 or
Donald Mallozzi (718) 967-7349

LaGuardia Airport Supports PS 127



The Kiwanis Club of **LAGUARDIA AIRPORT**, Queens West Division – The local LaGuardia Airport Kiwanis Club has donated multimedia projectors, digital cameras and science activities sets worth over \$2,000 to PS 127, a local grade school. The items will support the schools Science and Technology Department and will benefit the students in

Above: LGA Kiwanis Board Members Warren Kroepfel [left] and Richard DeCastro [right] flank PS 127 Principal Chayvonne Matthews.

achieving the schools standards. This new annual donation program was initiated after Warren Kroepfel joined the "Principal For A Day" program this past year.

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viewing as needed.


Over the years more and more information useful to the district's Kiwanians has been added to the site. It's the best place to get the latest information on upcoming conventions, both District and International, as well as many of the events which occur around the district each year including the annual Open House at Kamp Kiwanis, the Black and White Ball to raise funds for the Pediatric Trauma Center at North Shore University Hospital on Long Island, or the annual Buffalo Bills Kiwanis Charity Football Game.

Most of the forms needed by club officers during the year are available on the site. The monthly statistics for the district's clubs since October of 2004 also are available.

When possible the site also features pictures and coverage on district or international events, such as conventions. Last September the latest information on the district's efforts to aid the victims of Hurricane Katrina was available on the web site soon after it happened. That coverage is still available, as are pictures and coverage from last summer's District Convention and last June's Kamp Kiwanis Open House remains available for viewing.

The site's calendar lists events from around the district. In addition to district events, special division events and club events can be added to the calendar to publicize those efforts. There's room for a lot more events on the calendar; send them along and they'll be added. The calendar also can be useful to check to make sure the event you are planning doesn't fall on the same day as another one.

If you haven't taken time to check out the site, take a look. And send an e-mail to me <webmaster@kiwanis-ny.org> if you have suggestions for ways to make the site more useful to the district's Kiwanians.



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