



Community Services

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There are many clubs looking for a simple – quick fix to accomplish their Community Services for the year.

One of the simplest – quick – low manpower with high results is running a empty FOOD CART display outside the local King Kullen – Walmarks or Stop & Shop.

Simply - have your club Community Service chairperson approach the store Manager three weeks before your planned Saturday [one time] collection.

There are at least four different times during the year that this is useful and necessary. The Saturday before Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter or other special day that you determine are the most successful.

The store will supply the empty food carts which are placed in front of the store – Be careful not to block store access or you will lose a friend in the Manager.

Print flyers and hand them to the incoming customers of the store – asking them to BUY ONE MORE CAN OF ANY FOOD STUFF – and leave it with you when they leave the store – Be sure to identify the beneficiary of your work – which Pantry will get the Food or will it be the local Salvation Army which is usually well received.

Our club in Mineola began some years back with this idea and filled two carts. Last year we filled seven carts and could have had more - BUYING ONE CAN is not a burden on shoppers - Multiply the shoppers on any given Saturday and you will be very surprised - You need three or four volunteers who could work two hour shifts from 8am to 6pm..

Have flyers handy – tell the shoppers who you are, and who will be getting the benefit of your gifts - SIMPLE AND QUICK FIX - no gamble involved – TRY IT ! ! ! !

Be sure to have your Kiwanis club sign prominently displayed and your members recognized with proper identification - Good luck !!!

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message; if you're still not sure that it's appropriate, save it and return to it later when your emotions have settled.

Save a copy (or copies) or your e-mail newsletters (communication within) to use for the newsletter requirement for the Public Relations patch.

Last chance to get your patch for the 2007-2008 year. Send your request to me at 2104 Willow Street, Wantagh, NY 11793. The awards will be given at the mid-year conference.

The criteria for 2008-2009 will be available February 1, 2009.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at KiwanisPR@aol.com.

New York District Website
www.kiwanis-ny.org

Santa Presents Gifts at Library for Children

The Kiwanis Club of CASSADAGA VALLEY, Southwestern Division – President Florine Christy coordinated with the librarian at the Sinclairville, New York Library to have Santa Clause pay the library a visit.

Santa, Cassadaga Valley board member Richard Johnson, presented each child present at the Pre-K Story Hour with a wrapped stuffed animal gift.

President Florine read Christmas stories to the children. Santa's helped Joyce Johnson, board member, made sure Santa got all the help he needed.

A large stuffed red Clifford Dog was presented to library Director Lorie Huckelberry, to keep in the reading room for the children to enjoy.



Cassadaga Valley Kiwanians bring holiday joy to Pre-Kers in Sinclairville Library.

Fonda-Fultonville Trick or Treats for Area Seniors



FONDA-FULTONVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL'S BUILDERS CLUB and the area's Kiwanis Club joined forces to organize a trick-or-treating party at Hillcrest Spring Adult Home.

The Kiwanis Club donated candy for the residents to pass out to the trick-or-treating middle school students, and also helped chaperone the event.

A group of 24 middle school students arrived in costume and trick-or-treated throughout the nursing home, visiting many of the residents who wanted to participate.

After the trick-or-treating, students turned the tables on the residents and invited them down to a party in one of the dining rooms. The students baked 10 dozen cookies and brownies for the seniors to enjoy.

Monaco Honored

The Kiwanis Club of FIVE TOWNS, Long Island Southwest Division – recently honored their Outgoing President Edward Monaco on December 4, 2008 The event which was held at Mezzanotte Restaurant in Hewlett was attended by over 60 members. President Monaco, through his tireless efforts raised record funds for Kiwanis charities throughout the year. He was instrumental in forming a Key Club at Lynbrook High School and also presented a Pediatric Trauma kit to a local ambulance corp. President Monaco lives in East Rockaway with his wife Janet and his four children.



Current President Chris Lindsley presents a plaque to Past President Edward Monaco for his services during the 2007-2008 year.

Genesee Works CMN Phones



DPG Justin Underwood and DPLG Joanne Underwood with Vince Lang from the Genesee Division work the phone lines for the Children's Miracle Network (CMN) radio-thon to benefit Golisano Children's Hospital in Rochester, NY.

Amityville Marks Veterans Day

The Kiwanis Club of AMITYVILLE, Suffolk West Division – During the week of Veterans Day, Amityville Memorial High School was proud to team up with the Amityville Kiwanis Club, under the leadership of President Corky Amico, to participate in the Kiwanis Club's Field of Honor program. Twenty-two Kiwanis members, plus newly installed member Amityville Memorial High School Principal Dr. Scott Andrews, turned out in the early morning hours to erect 150 3' x 5' American

flags in a military row on the front lawn of the high school. The purpose of this display of patriotism is to pay homage to fallen veterans and to honor those who are still with us. Each flag was affixed with a laminated yellow ribbon designating the name of the individual who purchased the flag to support the program, and the name of the veteran being remembered in this special Veterans Day commemoration.



Pictured are members of the Amityville Kiwanis Club amidst the 150 flags they erected on the front lawn of Amityville Memorial High School as part of the 'Field of Honor' program. Each flag bore the name of a veteran on a laminated yellow ribbon that was affixed to the top of the flagpole.