

Cambria Heights Donates Books To Pre K Children

The Kiwanis Club of **CAMBRIA HEIGHTS**, Queens East Division – hope you all had a happy holiday Season and wish you a Happy Healthy New Year. They were extremely busy during December 2003 performing community services. Among other events, they wrapped and distributed 90 books to the Pre K Sunshine Learning Center for children ages 2-5, located in Queens, N.Y. Each child received a gift-wrapped book as a Christmas gift. This is one of the Governor's project- "leave no one behind" Read to children, which Cambria Heights President Willean Halton-Hunter will be doing at this Center. This event was held at the Children's Christmas party and although the children were very excited they were well behaved.

The Cambria Heights Kiwanis Club also sponsored PS 176's "In School Learning for Life Program" for children with disabilities by donating \$650. This Program provides a year round in school special needs program for children who are either mentally, emotionally, and/or physically challenged.



Cambria Heights President Willean Halton-Hunter, left and School Director Ms. M. Spencer hand out books to eager Pre K Sunshine Learning Center children.

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review the group's collective progress. When registration is completed, you will receive a Group ID Number.

How does an individual join the group?

Before you get started, you must get the Group Name and Group ID Number from the appointed Group Administrator.

1. Go to the website
www.presidentschallenge.org
2. Go to log-in at the top right screen.
3. At the bottom of the log-in screen, go to individual registration.

The registration screen will appear. Be certain to enter the Group Name and the Group ID Number you received from your club's Group Administrator.

The "President's Challenge" has a series of programs. In which one do I enlist?

The easiest and suggested program to begin with is the *Active Lifestyle Program*. The participant must be engaged in some activity, whether it is walking, taking an exercise class, playing a sport, doing chores, or other similar activity. The activity selected by the participant must be done for 30 minutes (adults) or 60 minutes (17 years and younger) per day, 5 days a week for 6 weeks.

How are the time and activity logged?

When the individual participant registers, they will give a user name (their name) and a password. Each time they perform a qualified activity, they can go to the website and log-in to their personal profile and enter the activity performed.

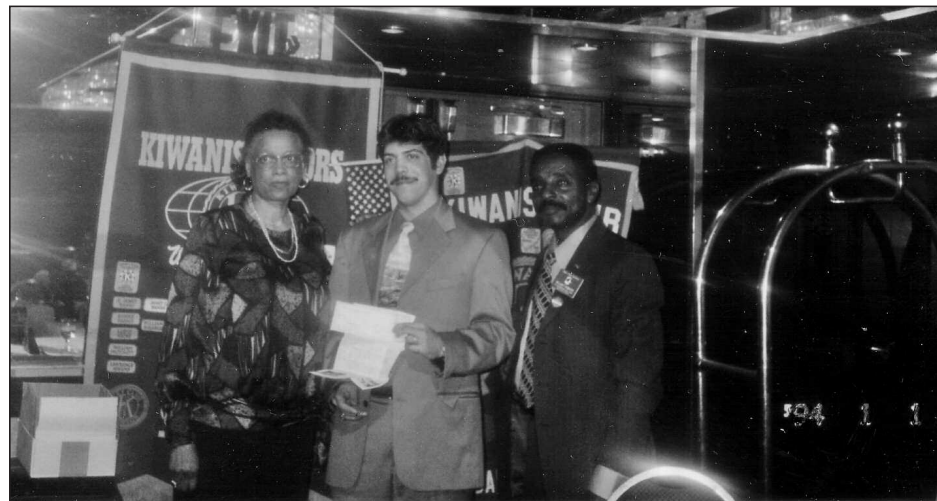
Must a participant log-in and enter their activity every day?

No, a participant can go back 7 days to enter their activities for the past 7 days.

How are the awards presented?

As the sponsor of the group, your club will be able to purchase the awards and present them to all in your group who successfully achieved their goal. The awards are not expensive. For more information, the awards are listed at the website.

Don't shy away from this project thinking it's difficult. After reviewing the website and registering, you will be surprised how easy it is to participate both as a group and individually. More importantly, you will be joining Governor Peter in his campaign to improve our health and the health of our children by encouraging an active lifestyle.



(l-r) Cambria Heights President Willean Halton, Learning for Life's District Director Jason Schneider, and Queens East Lt. Governor William Risbrook.

North Shore Holds Annual Mini Mart and Donates Pediatric Defibrillators

The Kiwanis Club of **NORTH SHORE**, Long Island North Division – In the small village of Sea Cliff every first Sunday of October since 1969, you find a remarkable transformation taking place. The sleepy suburb, only one square mile, with a population of 6,000, turns into a bustling sea of humanity.

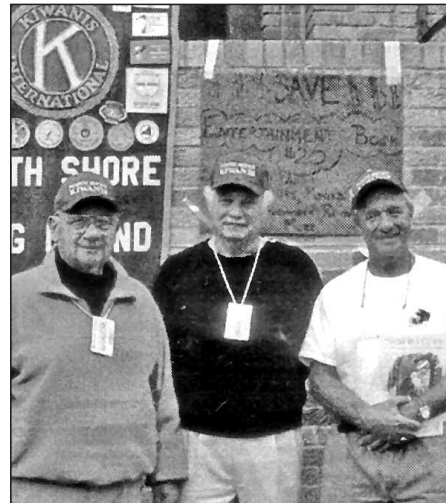
Why all the excitement? It's the North Shore Kiwanis Club of Long Island annual Mini Mart, a combination and crafts fair organized in 1969.

The Kiwanis club adopted the project in 1980 when the previous organizers, were no longer able to financially and physically sponsor the event due to its sheer magnitude. Because of the fair's importance to the economic stability of the community, the Kiwanians gladly took the reins.

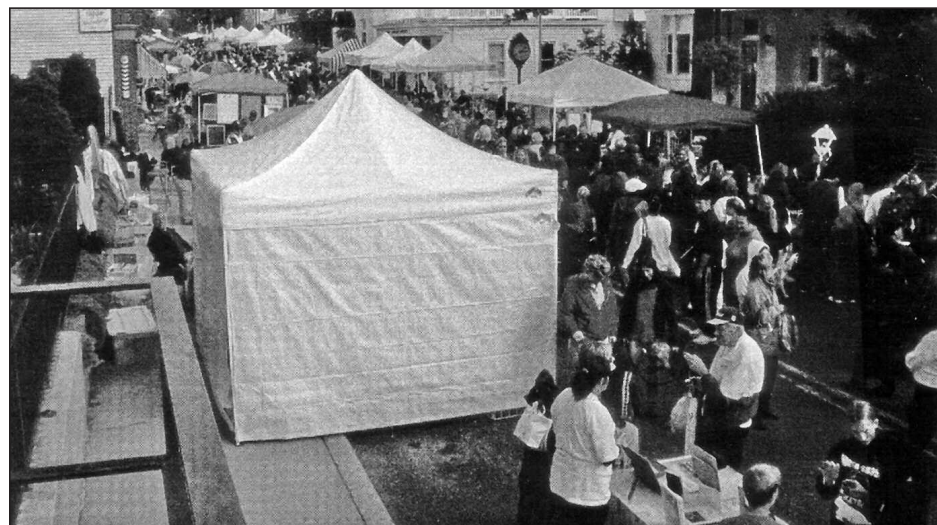
The Mini Mart is a tremendous affair requiring months of planning and preparation. This years event was organized by Distinguished Past President (1984-85) Hap Ajamian. This year there were 50 nonprofit organizations represented.

It is also North Shore Kiwanis' primary

fund raiser. This year 25,000 people there brought to our quite village. North Shore President Larry Benedetti and the Board of Directors voted to donate some of the funds to Sea Cliff Fire Department, to purchase two Pediatric Defibrillators.



Mini-Mart Chairman Hap Ajamian, President Larry Benedetti and Co-chair Bruce Levinson.



North Shore arranges one mile of bustling humanity at annual Mini-Mart.



District Historian

Tony Kaiser

Our District and Kiwanis International

As poor Martha Stewart might say, "It's a good thing" to focus, occasionally, even if only briefly, on the many ways in which our district has contributed throughout its history to the administration of Kiwanis International. To begin with since all District Governor's are officers of International, we have provided 85 officers to Kiwanis International since our District was formed in 1918.

Then, of those 85 dedicated leaders, ten went on to serve our parent organization as KI board members: five as trustees;

Frank Haven of Brooklyn, 1938-41;

Carl Koestower of Batavia, 1940-46;

Si Reynolds of Rochester, 1953-57;

Don Mumford of New York City, 1958-62;

and **General Jack McMahon**,

also of NYC 1966-70

Three attained the Vice Presidency;

La Rue Smith of Niagara Falls, 1951-52;

Steve Hart of Irvington 1976-77

and again in 1978-79; and

Jack Harten of Webster 2002-2003.

Two achieved Kiwanis' highest office

President of Kiwanis International:

Anton J. "Tony" Kaiser of Farmingdale,

1987-88, yours truly, and

Jerry Christiano of Leicester, 1996-97.

Of the 85 Governors, 54 have passed on and 31 are still with us, including the last four of the mentioned former KI Board Members.

Notably as well, our district has already provided three presidents of the Kiwanis International Foundation:

Larry Hapgood of Malone, 1991-1992,

1952 Governor and long-time dean of Past

Governors and subsequently a 26 year KI

senior staff member and historian;

Lou Theiss of Bayside, 1992-93,

1969-70 Governor and perennial District

Treasurer;

Bill Martin of Oneonta, 2001-2002,

1981-82 Governor and former and current

Secretary-Treasurer.

Not to be forgotten, another source of district pride, is the sources of other distinguished New York Kiwanians who have served or are serving KI and KIF so well, as important committee chairs and committee members.

Like Kiwanis, Key Club and Circle K International have been also served well by the New York District. We provide both leadership and participation in numerous programs. One New Yorker, Doug Madenburg from Walt Whitman High School in Huntington, Long Island served as Key Club International President in 1987-88.

Four Presidents of Circle K International hailed from the Empire State thus far: George Latimer, Fordham University 1973-74; Craig Miller, College of Insurance 1974-75; Greg Faulkner, Baruch College 1975-76; and Jason Seiner, New York University 1990-91.

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