



Secretary/Treasurer

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MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

The Mid-Winter Conference at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa was a great success. Interesting and informative forums were held. Opening and general sessions brought Kiwanians and guests up to date on what is happening in our district. Awards were announced honoring Kiwanis clubs and individuals for the 2003- 4 Kiwanis year under Immediate Past Governor Peter J. Mancuso. We enjoyed positive growth with a net growth of +168. Congratulations to Peter's Leaders for a fine year.

Governor Glenn and First Lady Susan continue to make their official visits throughout the District. I encourage you to attend their visit and support them as well as the Governor's Project.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The International Convention in Hawaii is fast approaching. We have a quota of 300 for the Convention which we should strive to meet. We have an excellent hotel, The Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, which you all will enjoy. For those who want to save some money and enjoy another five star hotel, the NY District has an excellent land package only arrangement with The Double Tree Inn, less than 10 minutes from the Convention Center & beaches. Check our District web page for details and forms. There are many things to see in Hawaii. Pearl Harbor, The Arizona, volcano sites, oceans and island cruises are just a few of the things to do. It truly will be a trip of a lifetime!

Also we should show the rest of the Kiwanis world that we are interested in International affairs. There are many issues brought up at the Convention and as delegates for your club you will have an opportunity to voice and vote your club's opinion. One important vote is the election our own candidate Past Governor Tom DeJulio for International Trustee.

Club Secretaries should be sure to send in the forms to Kiwanis International and to our District Office notifying us who will be representing your club at the convention. Also remember, your club must have their dues paid in order to be able to vote. Lt Governors & Lt. Governors-Elect (LTGs 05-06) are delegates-at-large and can represent your club if they are designated on the delegate forms.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

All clubs should have made their membership adjustments for the year. They should now concentrate on increasing the size of their clubs.

New members result in an influx of new ideas and more Kiwanians to work on projects. All clubs should now have a membership plan in place with a goal to end the year with an increase in membership.

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<u>ADIRONDACK</u>	Start of Year	Net Change	Month End	Inter- Clubs	Complete Projects	Missing Reports	Dues Owed First Half
Elizabethtown	20		20	0	0		
Ellenburg	16	-1	15	0	5	Jan	
Keeseville	20		20	0	1	Nov Dec Jan	
Lake Placid	35	1	36	0	1		\$ 402.50
Plattsburgh Breakfast	22	1	23	1	4		\$ 23.00
Plattsburgh Noon	50		50	0	2	Dec Jan	
Rouses Point-Champlain	22	-1	21	2	15		
Saranac Lake	31	-2	29	0	7		
Ticonderoga	76	2	78	0	12		
Tupper Lake	15		15	0	8	Jan	\$ 172.50
Willsboro-Essex	17	Missing	17	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	
Totals	324		324	3	55	11	\$ 598.00

<u>BRONX-WESTCHESTER SOUTH</u>	Start of Year	Net Change	Month End	Inter- Clubs	Complete Projects	Missing Reports	Dues Owed First Half
Bronx Shore	30	3	33	3	19	Oct Dec	
East Yonkers	27		27	4	7	Dec Jan	\$ 310.50
Eastchester	23	Missing	23	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 264.50
Fordham, Bronx	36		36	3	8		
Hartsdale	39		39	4	14		
Morris Park, Bronx	67	-1	66	2	11	Oct Jan	
Mount Vernon	41	5	46	0	20		\$ 471.50
Mount Vernon G.K.	21	Missing	21	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 241.50
North-East Bronx	28	Missing	28	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 322.00
Parkchester	20	1	21	3	3		\$ 322.00
Riverdale	28		28	3	7		
Westchester Village, Bronx	22	Missing	22	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	
Yonkers	23	-1	22	0	5	Oct Jan	
Totals	405	7	412	22	94	24	\$ 1,932.00

<u>BROOKLYN</u>	Start of Year	Net Change	Month End	Inter- Clubs	Complete Projects	Missing Reports	Dues Owed First Half
Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn	15	-3	12	0	2	Jan	
Bensonhurst and Bay Ridge, Brooklyn	84	-6	78	2	7		
Brooklyn	12	-2	10	0	0	Jan	
Coney Island, Brooklyn	19	1	20	9	16		
Eighty-Sixth Street	20	-1	19	3	9		
Gravesend, Brooklyn	16		16	1	0	Dec Jan	
Kings Plaza - Canarsie	27		27	1	12	Dec	\$ 310.50
Mapleton	29	5	34	12	29		
Marine Park, Brooklyn	26		26	1	4	Jan	
Parkway East, Brooklyn	19	Missing	19	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 218.50
Sheepshead Bay Verrazano	37	2	39	7	25	Jan	\$ 425.50
West End, Brooklyn	34	1	35	3	32		\$ 27.89
Totals	338	-3	335	39	136	11	\$ 982.39

<u>CAPITAL</u>	Start of Year	Net Change	Month End	Inter- Clubs	Complete Projects	Missing Reports	Dues Owed First Half
Albany	10	Missing	10	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 115.00
Cohoes	13	Missing	13	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	
Delmar	27	-2	25	0	9	Nov Dec Jan	
Helderbergs, New York	27	1	28	4	4		
Latham	32	Missing	32	0	0	Oct Nov Dec Jan	\$ 368.00
New Scotland	43	-3	40	4	19		
Western Turnpike Guilderland	23	-4	19	1	12		
Totals	175	-8	167	9	44	15	\$ 483.00

Hixson challenge match to end six months early – IDD Campaign success continues

Indianapolis, Indiana – If you're going to make a contribution to the Worldwide Service Project (WSP) under the Kiwanis International Foundation's Mel and Mary Cowart Challenge Match program, you'd better hurry. Because of an overwhelming global response, the program will end on March 31, six months ahead of schedule. Although the match offer will conclude at the end of the month, the Worldwide Service Project Campaign Cabinet will continue to seek contributions.

Under the program, announced at this past summer's Kiwanis International convention, Kiwanis-family clubs and members contributing a minimum of \$500 to the fight against iodine deficiency disorders (IDD) have had their contributions matched. The donation and the program's matching funds then add up to qualify the donor for enrollment in the George F. Hixson Fellowship. The Cowarts initiated the Hixson match program

with a lead gift of \$300,000. In addition to their gift, several other Kiwanians committed major gifts to the campaign to be used as matching funds. Those individuals who gave \$25,000 or more qualified as a "Pacesetter" for the campaign.

Since its July 2004 launch, more than 2,200 people or clubs have applied for matching Hixsons under the program, which equates to more than \$1.1 million raised for the initiative to virtually eliminate IDD around the globe. Though the match program was to continue through September 2005, the tremendous response will lead to a successful conclusion of the program by the end of the month, a half-year earlier than expected.

"We expected the matching funds to produce success, but we definitely are surprised at how productive it has been for our campaign," says WSP Cabinet Chairman Eddie Callis. "We are very grateful to Mel and

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