

Official Visits

Susquehanna



Governor Joe takes the Binghamton University Baja SAE Off-road vehicle for a spin. The Baja SAE is an SAE sponsored intercollegiate engineering design competition for students. Teams design and build a rugged, single set, off-road recreational vehicle intended for use by the non-professional weekend off-road enthusiast.



Susquehanna First Lady Marcia Papastrat and LG Peter Papastrat shower First Lady Nydia and Governor Joe with great gifts. Susquehanna Kiwanians were generous.

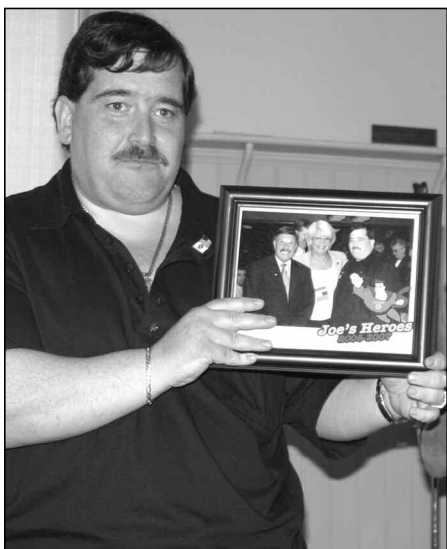
Queens West



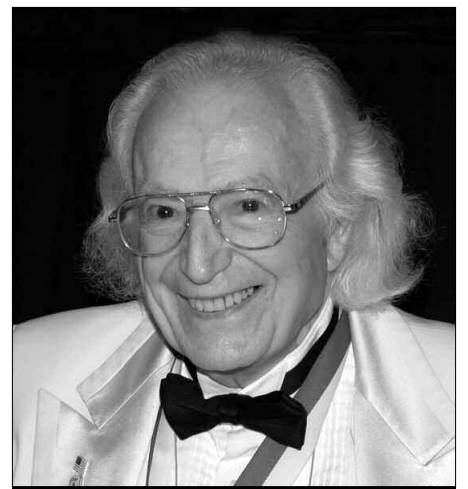
After a Queens West Bar-be-que, LG Michael Miller and PLG George Ries present Governor Joe with a spectacular "Heroes Cake" with a custom made Heroes Logo on top. It was simply delicious.



Executive Assistant Marty Neuringer, First Lady Nydia and Governor Joe can't wait to enjoy the Bar-be-que Lt. Governor Mike Miller planned.



Recovering LaGuardia Kiwanian Ray Mayo and KPTC President Rich DeCastro along with DPLG Veta Brome present the Governor and First Lady gifts. Everyone was happy to see Ray recovering so well.



Sponsored Organizations and Programs

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Today's young students face many challenges: A society where most jobs require higher levels of reading, communication, math, and problem-solving skills than ever before and a world where high skill jobs require higher levels of education and hands-on training than in the past.

Today, educators are working diligently to prepare today's students for the complex jobs of the 21st Century Life that demands both academic knowledge and technical skills.

There are many ways for Kiwanis to take the lead through the Sponsored Youth organizations: Invite Faculty Advisors and members of the sponsored organizations especially Key clubs, Circle K clubs and Builders Clubs into your business to educate them about what a business looks like: Expand the existing mentoring, tutoring, and Key Leader programs which have proven to be very effective and productive: Intensify experiencing leadership skills and responsible citizenship through community service working together with the school and Kiwanis.

Kiwanis working together with our Sponsored Youth Organizations have a golden opportunity to make a difference in the program "No Child Left Behind Act" passed by Congress and signed into law by President Bush to ensure that all students, including those that are disadvantaged, achieve academic proficiency.

Indeed, it's an opportune time and a favorable climate among the educational institutions to expand our Sponsored Youth Program. It's especially significant in view of Kiwanis International membership goal of one million members by 2015. At the present time over 50% of the total K-family membership of approximately 650,000 represents Sponsored Organizations members. Our youth programs can definitely make a difference.

Congratulations: To Karen DeMaria elected New York District Key Club Governor at the 59th Annual district Convention at Kutcher's Country Club, March 16-18. Even though we experienced severe inclement weather the convention was highly successful, informative, educational, and fun.

Also Congratulations to Key Club Administrator Andy Lowenberg and the Kiwanis Key Club Committee for an excellent job. Truly, dedicated Kiwanians to the youth of America.

Check out the
New York District Website at
www.kiwanis-ny.org