

# Clubs Celebrate Anniversaries

## Patchogue: 75 Years

Kiwanis dignitaries and members of the Patchogue Kiwanis Club gathered May 11 to celebrate its 75th Anniversary Charter Night at the Bellport Country Club.

Special guests were Thomas DeJulio, President of Kiwanis International; Albert Norato, Governor of New York District; Glen Hollins, Past Governor of New York District, and Lorri Schneider, Lt Governor of the Suffolk East Division.

During the event, Diamond George Hixson Fellowships were awarded to J. Glen Charvat and Kenneth Picard. George Hixson Fellowships were awarded to Robert Borowski, Robert Walch and Gov. Al Norato Jr. An Anton Kaiser Fellowship was awarded to Jeffrey Vollmuth and a Walter Zeller Fellowship went to Mark Charvat.

Legion of Honor awards for length of membership were awarded to Vito Rizzi for 55 years, Charles Falkner for 50 years and for 25 years, George Brush, Jeffrey Vollmuth and Robert Walch. Legion of Merit awards went to Frank Virno, for 15 years; Joseph Barry, 10 years, and Nicholas Harding for 5 years.

## Canandaigua: 70 Years

The Canandaigua Kiwanis Club celebrated its 70th anniversary with a dinner on April 12 at the Canandaigua Inn.

Kiwanis International President Thomas DeJulio and First Lady Rosemary DeJulio attended the event. In attendance were many members of the Canandaigua club, members from other clubs in the Finger Lakes Division and visitors from other areas of the district.

Distinguished Past Gov. Patrick Cooney, a club member, was the MC for the evening. Other past governors in attendance were Justin Underwood, Jack Harten, Bob Calabrese and Doreen Pellittieri

## Riverdale: 60 Years

The Kiwanis Club of Riverdale proudly celebrated 60 years of serving the local community on June 13 at the Riverview Caterers in Hastings On The Hudson.

On May 21, 1953, a group of local businessmen joined together and met at the Stella D'Oro restaurant on Broadway.

## Middletown

### Cat In The Hat Day Promotes Reading

Middletown Kiwanis Club recently held a Dr. Seuss "Cat in the Hat" Reading Day at our local Head Start School which serves 86 children. Four club members dressed as "Cat's in the Hat" for this project along with other committee members, visited the four classes to read to the children.

After the reading session, each class received the "Cat in the Hat" book and stuffed animal. Head Start Director Heather Decker and Young Children Committee Chair Sue Sheehan considered this project a great success for both the children and the club members who participated.



International President Thomas DeJulio presenting a banner to the Canandaigua club's current president, Marianne Case Gallagher, at the celebration of the club's 70th anniversary. Marianne is the daughter of Burrell S. Case, the club's founding president.

For 60 years this diverse group of civic-minded citizens has sponsored various youth organizations in local schools, including DeWitt Clinton and Bronx Science High Schools, Manhattan College and the College of Mt. St. Vincent.

In addition the club annually runs the Halloween Window Painting Contest, sends disadvantaged and disabled children to Kamp Kiwanis and sponsors a multitude of organizations ranging from Riverdale Mental Health, Riverdale Senior Services, Riverdale Neighborhood House and Give Kids the World.

We sponsor two Little League teams and each year send local Seniors on a Hudson River Boat Ride.

Together we look forward to the next 60 years!



A Middletown Kiwanian reading at a local Head Start school.