

Candidate for Governor-Elect: Candace Corsaro

I am seeking the office of Governor Elect because I want to lead the New York District to greater heights. I see great potential for this district. I know that together as a TEAM we can fulfill the promise of Kiwanis International of serving one child and one community at a time.

I joined Kiwanis in 1987 to contribute in helping our children and making our communities better. I have worked hard to fulfill the six objects of Kiwanis in all that I do. I have had the privilege to serve my clubs in many capacities but none more important than that of active member. The strength of our organization comes from the clubs and if we have strong clubs, we will have a stronger foundation for our District and Kiwanis International. As your leader I want to help you become all that you are capable of being. We need to expand the Kiwanis experience throughout our district for every member. I believe we need to retain, add and educate members continually by providing profes-



sional and educational programs that respect the time of our members. We need to go "Back to Basics" of club membership: Fellowship, Networking, and Service above all.

I have strived to meet all the qualifications necessary to hold the office of Governor-Elect and will continue to add more service to my resume. I have held various club offices and am a Past Distinguished President and Distinguished Lt. Gov. of the Niagara Frontier North Division. I led my division in growth and service as lieutenant governor; we increased membership, revived a fallen club, added two Key Clubs, a Builders Club and started the ball rolling on a new club in Grand Island.

I will do the same for the New York District. I have had the privilege to chair the District Women of the Year

and District Inter-Club committees. I have served on our District Policy, Procedures, and Youth Protection Committee and your was host for the Niagara Falls Convention. I continue to attend foundation and finance meetings so as to have the knowledge needed to lead. By attending international and district conventions and conferences I have had the opportunity to educate myself about Kiwanis, enjoying the opportunity to develop friendships, growing in understanding and learning about new programs and service.

I am honored to have received many awards for the efforts I have put forth.

On a personal note, I was married for over 37 years to Joseph Corsaro (deceased) and am the proud parent of three wonderful children, Melissa, Sheri Lynn, Cathy and six delightful grandchildren. I am a successful business woman and entrepreneur. I hold a New York State Real Estate License and have owned or been a partner in several businesses.

Candidate for Governor-Elect: Steve Sirgiovanni

I have had the privilege of knowing Kiwanis since I was a child. My father was a charter member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Howard Beach, so I was always involved with the various club projects. As an adult, I was very proud to join the club because I knew from my father that being a member of the club was very rewarding because you were helping children in the community.

In the club's 53 years of service, my father and I are the only father and son members who were both distinguished presidents of the club.

I have been sitting on the Board of Kamp Kiwanis as a special fund raiser, I was able to raise more than \$8,500 from the City of New York and numerous amounts of supplies of clothing and food products. I have been active with KPTC, president of the Queens West Foundation, chairman of the Priority One Project for Youth Services for Governor Eric Paul, on a finance committee for Immediate Past Distinguished Gov.



Joe Aiello and Gov-Elect Forbes Irvine. Since I have been sitting on these boards, I have acquired a broader knowledge of district operations.

I have also been a distinguished Kiwanian for the past 5 con-

secutive years.

I was the club's chairman for the Irene and Sandy disaster relief effort, coordinated the food distribution with local and state officials, community representatives and local religious organizations. We were able to give both money and supplies to our communities from Howard Beach to the Rockaways and Coney Island, Brooklyn.

As lieutenant governor for the Kiwanis Queens West Division for 2013-14, my division was number 1 in the district with 107 new members. I raised \$18,000 and donated it to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), and

the money to purchase a Kaiser, a Brittany and a Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center (KPTC) Fellows during the year.

I started a new club, the East River club, which I am a charter member, and St. Helen Academy Builders club and K-Kids club.

I am self-employed and involved with real estate investments, sales and service of electronic equipment, and food distribution services for major food companies.

Why I want to run:

- My love for Kiwanis and I feel that I can make a difference.

- It all begins with the club. If you don't have a club then there is nothing that can be done in the name of Kiwanis.

- I want to bring stability to the district and get back to basics by increasing membership..

- We need to introduce ourselves to our communities on what Kiwanis stands for. We need to raise our public profile and invigorate our members so that we may become a relevant organization for future new members.

Candidate for Governor: Forbes Irvine

Governor-Elect Forbes Irvine will be the sole candidate for the post of Governor for 2015-16.

Irvine, charter president of the North Central, Staten Island, club was lieutenant governor of the Metropolitan Division when Super Storm Sandy struck. During that year he was involved in the relief efforts in his division. He was named a Super Distinguished Lieu-



tenant Governor for his efforts during the year.

Irvine has been a member of Kiwanis for 20 years, and has served his club as secretary and as president several times. He has chaired proj-

ects at his club and division level for many years.

He was appointed to the New York District Foundation Board of Directors last year.