

# All Island Hosts Dr. Button, Becomes Platinum Club

On April 23, the All Island Kiwanis Club hosted a celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Kiwanis and the All Island Kiwanis becoming the first Platinum Club in the district for the Eliminate Project by pledging \$1,500 per member. The club was already a Model Club.

The speakers were Kiwanis International President Dr. John Button, who talked about the role Kiwanis has played in helping women and children in the world by eliminating Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus. Kiwanis Gov. Eric Paul spoke about New York's role in the project and about the importance of membership, and commended All Island for its work.

The club also heard about a site visit where the work of Kiwanis on the Eliminate Project was being put into place by Past Kiwanis International President Jerry Christiano and his wife Linda Christiano, who serve as the Kiwanis International Region 1 Chairs for Eliminate. The club also received congratulatory remarks from Sister Anne-Marie Kirmse, the District Eliminate Chairman, and Gov. Elect Forbes Irvine.

PS 22 K-Kids, which is sponsored by All Island Kiwanis, was represented by President Matthew Bareto.

The club presented four honors that night. Sean O'Sullivan, club treasurer and Distinguished Past Lieutenant Governor, received the Centennial Award from the Kiwanis International Foundation. The Club also presented three Mother's Day Zeller Awards to Charter Club Director Christine Lopresti, Charter Member Kristine Garlisi, and Charter Member and K-Kids Advisor Kim Bonaventura.

On April 24 the PS 22 K-Kids hosted the KI President John and his wife Debbie, Paul, the Christianos, Past Gov.



The K-Kids of PS 22 with the Kiwanians



From left, Gov. Eric Paul, New Member Dominique Mondella, New Member Dana Bentz, KI President, and DPLG Sean O'Sullivan

and District Secretary Justin Underwood, and Builders Club Administrator Joanne Underwood, for a meeting of the club. The club members talked about why they joined K-Kids and their favorite projects. The school also hosted

the visitors for a mini-concert of the famous PS 22 Chorus, which has performed at the White House. The School Principal, Melissa Donath, presented each of the visitors with a DVD of the PS 22 Chorus.

# Ground Broken for Centennial Playground in Island Park

On April 25 International President Dr. John Button was in Island Park to help break ground for a Centennial Playground as part of the Kiwanis International Centennial Tour.

Pictured, from left, are Distinguished Past Gov. David Rothman; Island Park School Board President Richie Hayes, International President Button, Gov. Eric G. Paul, Island Park School Superintendent Rosmarie T. Bovino, and Dora.

The Francis X Hegarty School's playground was destroyed in Superstorm Sandy.

