



Kiwanis Int'l Foundation

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As we head towards the end of the 2005-06 Administrative year, I want to encourage all Clubs to contribute to the Annual Club Gift Campaign to support all of the worthwhile programs the Kiwanis International Foundations provides to us, if they have not done so already.

A contribution of \$100, or \$5 per member as of your 10/01/05 club membership not only earns your club a banner patch, but earns 10 points towards Distinguished Club status, which for most clubs is necessary to make the 80 point requirement by 09/30/06. The money goes to help our Sponsored Youth Programs, Grants (which we have qualified for in the past for the NY District Foundation and other Kiwanis Clubs), Kiwanis Disaster Relief and many educational programs.

For those clubs who have already contributed to the ACG Campaign, thank-you for the over \$12,700 donated through 07/15/06...which equates to \$1.35 per member in the NY District. Our goal is to average \$3.00 per member to gain District recognition (which has never been done before), so we have a long way to go! We need to get to about \$28,500.

Divisions could have a division fund raiser and proceeds could cover each club's contribution (by the criteria set above) so all clubs earn the 10 distinguished points. Collect "happy and sad dollars" from now to year's end to reach your goal. Allocate the money from some unspent/underspent item in your budget's service account.

I've had the honor of being the chair for Int'l Foundation Chair for seven years. Next year, SPD LG Chris Brown from Long Island South Central will take over the reins and will do an excellent job. I will continue to be on the Kiwanis International Foundation Annual Club Gift Committee and work with Chris.

Thanks for your many years of support for the Kiwanis International Foundation and for me as chair.

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like it. Don't tell everybody!" – Geo.

That of course, made the album ever more special to me, until now, I followed George's instruction and kept quiet about the gift. But now, 33 years later and long after his passing I don't see any harm in sharing the story of this Kiwanis treasure with those fortunate remaining Kiwanians who also had the privilege of knowing George as well as with the many who sadly for them didn't. I don't think he'd mind.

In due course, I will pass this treasure along to a deserving younger Kiwanis leader who I trust will also treasure it and the memory of a truly great Kiwanian and gentleman, George H. Prout.

PIP's Club Turns Fifty

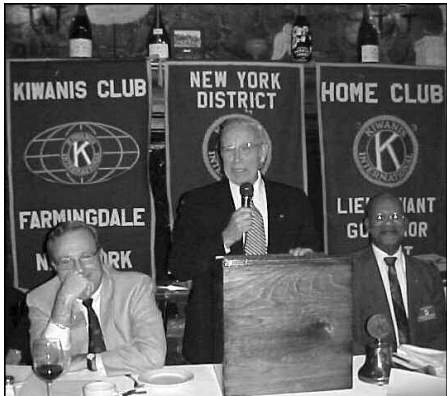
The Kiwanis Club of **FARMINGDALE**, Long Island North Division – June 5th marked their Golden Anniversary. The Kiwanis Club of Farmingdale is the home club of Past International President Tony Kaiser. Only PIP Tony and PLG Dr. Andy Manzo of the original charter members of the club formed in June 1956 are still members, and they are again serving as club president and secretary,

Trustee and two-time President of the Farmingdale club (1994-96), Millie DeMarco, who traveled from the Carolina's to celebrate the occasion at age 92.

The special Farmingdale observance included a 50th Anniversary Journal, net proceeds of which went to support the club's service activities. It was a terrific celebration for all who attended.



Long Island North Lt. Governor Rev. Ken Nelson (left) and New York District Governor David Rothman congratulate Farmingdale Kiwanian PP Millie Demarco, a 90+ year old.



PIP Tony Kaiser welcomes guests to Farmingdale's 50th Anniversary party. KI Trustee Tom DeJulio (left) and Long Island North Lt. Governor Rev. Ken Nelson (right) extend their best wishes. respectively, during the special year in the club's history.

The anniversary was observed at a dinner function held at the PapaRazzi Restaurant in Westbury, L.I., in conjunction with the regular monthly meeting of the Long Island North Division. The evening's featured guest speaker was PDG and KI Trustee Tom DeJulio who delivered an excellent and inspiring message on the New Kiwanis. Trustee Tom was accompanied by his wife Dr. Rosemary DeJulio a distinguished and accomplished past Lieutenant Governor of the Bronx Westchester South Division.

The dinner meeting was also greatly enhanced by the presence of many other Kiwanis luminaries including Governor David Rothman and Debra, Gov. Elect Joe Corace and Nydia, Immediate Past Gov. Glenn Hollins and Susan, Past Governors Jim Hebron and Binky, Peter Mancuso and Ralph Vasami and Lucia, LIN LG Rev. Ken Nelson, LT Gov-Elect Roger Sirangelo (member of the Farmingdale club), and Lt. Gov. Elect Designate Larry Beneditti and Julia Salat, several Past Lieutenant Governors and club presidents from LIN and neighboring divisions, and Farmingdale club past presidents and members.

Also present were Village of Farmingdale officials and the president of the Farmingdale Rotary Club. A very special attendee was former Farmingdale Village



Farmingdale Kiwanis Club President Tony Kaiser, standing, left, welcomes NY Kiwanis Governor Dave Rothman, standing, right, as Kiwanis International Trustee Tom DeJulio Esq., seated, right, speaks with former DPG Jim Hebron of Roslyn Heights.

Troy Kiwanians On the Move

The Kiwanis Club of **TROY**, Van Rensselaer–Jackie McDonough, Executive Director of the Troy YMCA accepted a check from Troy Vice President Karl Cote this past April. The Kiwanis' donation to the YMCA's Reach Out for Youth Campaign shall be used to provide quality programs to kids in the Troy area.



Above left to right: YMCA Executive Director Jackie McDonough thanks VP Karl Cote for YMCA donation on behalf of the Troy Kiwanis Club.



KI Board Counselor

Paul Palazzolo

My wife, Suanne, and I have been given a great Kiwanis gift – a gift that has only been presented to some 80 people over the last 91 years. The gift doesn't come in a box, but it does come with an opportunity to help others and to make friendships that last a lifetime. The gift is my assignment to serve as the Kiwanis International Board counselor to the New York District for the 2006-07 year.

This is an exciting appointment, and I'm looking forward to serving you as we move toward our organization's goal of one million members by Kiwanis' 100th birthday in 2015. Suanne and I will be in attendance at your District Convention in Saratoga Springs. We want to meet as many New York Kiwanians as possible to hear your thoughts and concerns and to learn your club success stories that can be shared throughout the Kiwanis world.

Also while we're there, I may pose some thoughts and questions for you regarding membership growth in your club. I may ask and challenge you to aggressively think of new ways to examine how your club can achieve the next level of value and relevance for your community. Reaching our membership goal will require some changes in operations, some hard work and some FUN work. But isn't that true for achieving anything that's worthwhile?

Thanks for being a part of the gift we've received – the gift of being able to serve as counselor to the New York District. Suanne and I can't wait to meet you on September 7-10 in Saratoga Springs when we begin working together with you for a terrific year of Kiwanis service.



The Kiwanis Club of **TROY**, Van Rensselaer – Wendy Prout received the Distinguished Kiwanis Club Award for her term as President of the Kiwanis Club of Troy, New York during the 2004-2005 administrative year. Above: Mrs. Prout received the Distinguished Kiwanian Award for her personal achievements throughout the administrative year. Troy President Scott Morley presented the awards to Mrs. Prout at a recent club meeting.