

#### **Foundation President** Lindy Marrazzo

Once again, we have to say goodbye to a giant in the Kiwanis family, Bob Cummo. Bob passed away recently from cancer. Bob was a distinguished PLG of Long Island South Central division, was a Key Club advisor, and was a great supporter of Kamp Kiwanis. We are going to miss him.

Thanks to all those clubs who are sending children to Kamp Kiwanis. The first week of camp we had 77 children whose parent or parents were in the military. The respite they had was appreciated thanks to your help. You can continue the support of these children by donating to the foundation as where there is an opening in any week, we will try to fill it with a child whose parent or parents are in the military.

Thanks to Governor Dave - He knows why. Happy 50th to DPG Bob Calabrese.

As most of you are aware Barbara Siemens the wife of our International President opened the International Convention in Montreal by speaking about her and her husband's experience at Kamp Kiwanis when they visited us in May. Her speech was emotional and gave us great publicity, especially, when she spoke about a woman who recently became a Kiwanian because her first contact with Kiwanis. The woman was sponsored to attended our NY Kamp some 30 years ago. We are hoping to get the video.

## **CHEMUNG DIVISION**

### adopted an acre of land at **KAMP KIWANIS** on May 6,2006 **Chemung Division** challenges all other divisions to Adopt-an-Acre at Kamp Kiwanis

## 88th New York District Convention - Saratoga, NY Friday, September – 3:00pm

# Foundation Elections at District Convention



MICHAEL MALARK **Foundation Director Candidate** 



**STEVEN SALETTO Foundation Director Candidate** 



FRANCES HOGAN **Foundation Director Candidate** 

## **8th Annual New York District Buffalo Bill's Charity Football Game Slated for Sept. 24th**

#### by Larry Jones, Fdn Board member

This year the West Seneca Kiwanis Club is dedicating this year's Bill's Game to the memory of a great friend, beloved Kiwanian, and dedicated teacher who gave a great deal of himself to the children of West Seneca and Western New York. BOB KEEFER died in an automobile accident in February. Bob was a former Teacher-of-the-Year and Citizen-ofthe-Year. I taught school and coached with Bob at West Seneca East HS. "Keef" was a former president of the West Seneca club and a lieutenant governor. He served for over 30 years as WS Key club advisor to students at WS East High School. He served as scholarship and awards chairman for our club. Bob's commitment to Kiwanis, our community, and our children will be greatly missed. Bob, by the way, was a big Bill's fan and supporter of this annual event.

For Kiwanians, every day is important as we work together to serve the children of the world. CHILDREN ARE OUR #1 PRIORITY and this past year alone West Seneca has participated in over 70 activities to benefit children and youth programs around New York State and Western New York.

Its that time of year again to ask for your support of our Kiwanis Camps in Taberg and Angola, NY as well as our locally sponsored youth activities. This year our charity football

game is being held Sunday, September 24th, at Ralph Wilson Stadium. You are invited to join us at the game and tailgate party both before and after the game. Call me at 675-0540 and we will be happy to send you a ticket order form and information. The Bills will host the NY Jets in the home opener!

We ask for your support for this very worthy cause by serving as a sponsor. Many of you have served as a sponsor and we thank you for that past support. As you know, it is tough sledding for many charitable organizations due to budget cuts, etc., and your help is needed more than ever. In 7 years, West Seneca has raised over \$67,000 through this event.

We value our sponsors and make an effort to let our members and friends know who they are and to encourage them to patronize your businesses. Platinum sponsors receive a plaque and a pair of game and party tickets. Gold sponsors receive a pair of game tickets. Gold and Platinum sponsors are cited in the Empire State Kiwanian (circulation 9,000). All sponsors and patrons receive recognition at the event by being listed on posters on the walls of the tent and in the programs we distribute to attendees. All sponsors and patrons are also listed in the West Seneca Kommunicator and the Kiwanis web site. Sponsors are sent a copy of the game program, along with a photo of the sign about a month after the game.

## **NYS Flooded Areas Need Your Help**

Please help families affected by recent flooding in the Southern Tier, items needed and money are being sought.

We need items like canned foods, and cleaning supplies. They can be sent c/o Aapco, 193 Main St., Binghamton, NY 13905, for distribution to our local Kiwanis Clubs.

A special account has been set up for tax-deductible donations through the Oakdale Kiwanis Foundation. Checks should be made payable to: the Oakdale Kiwanis Foundation and sent to the address above.

For further information, contact DPLG Jim Whittaker at 607-763-8776 Papastrat or LG Pete at 607-723-8112.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

## SARATOGA CONVENTION SERVICE PROJECT

If you have questions about the Buffalo Bills Game contact: Larry Jones at (716) 675-0540 or (716) 207-6930 (cell)

## **Donate Food for After School Center**

At this year's District Convention in Saratoga all Kiwanians are asked to bring canned tuna fish, peanut butter, pasta, canned pasta sauce, or canned vegetables for the Franklin Community Center. The Center runs an after school program for grade school children who cannot be picked up until after their parents get out of work. There is no charge for these children to be in this program. They also have the only food pantry that is open 8 hours a day in Saratoga Springs and is entirely stocked by donations.

#### The After-School Center's need is great.

We hope members attending the convention can help by bringing so food donations to help this important program.

Thanks in advance for helping, Rick Thompson, District Convention Chair

email: lcjkiwanis@hotmail.com For Tickets and Sponsor Order Forms go to:

www.westsenecakiwanis.org and www.kiwanis-ny.org.



### Remember

Please return all canister proceeds to Chair Maureen Neuringer 1535 63rd Street Brooklyn, NY 11219

Questions: (718) 259-9679 or email her at <NYKIWESK@aol.com> Make checks payable to: New York District Kiwanis Foundation