

New York District Kiwanis Foundation

Dear New York District Kiwanians, another Kamping season is done and although all the numbers aren't in as of yet, everything points to a very good season for the Kamp. Last year, with your help, we were able to send 620 challenged and underprivileged children to Kamp Kiwanis, this year in the 2010 season we did a lot better, with your help again, we were able to serve 656 kids at Kamp Kiwanis.

This is great for two reasons, firstly, the more we fill the Kamp, the more that we will be financially stable, but more importantly we were able to give 656 children an outdoor experience that they would otherwise never experience. We gave 656 challenged and underprivileged children a chance to make new friends, play games on grass fields, and overall for one week forget that they are challenged or disadvantaged and just be themselves.

We gave 656 children a camping experience

District Foundation

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and on the way changed their lives for the better. If that's not the true meaning of Kiwanis, I don't know what is.

There are a great many people to thank for the great season we had at Kamp Kiwanis and if I did, I would probably need a few more pages of this publication, but I would be remiss if I don't mention Gov. Dave Booker and his board of "Bookers Builders". Gov. Dave made a commitment to Kamp Kiwanis and kept his word, he promoted the Kamp wherever he went and with his example, the rest of Bookers Builders

followed through. Not only did they send 3 kamperers, but at the August 19th district board meeting, they decided to make a donation to the foundation to help us with our debt. On behalf of the New York District Kiwanis Foundation members, from the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.

Now that I've told you the good news, let me temper my remarks by telling you that we must keep it going, we can't allow this feeling to be lost, and we must not become complacent, because that is our worst enemy. We must continue our efforts to fill the Kamp next year, we must continue the "One More Kamper" program so that next year we can say that we changed the lives of 720 or more children, we can do it. Two years ago it might have seemed impossible to some, but not to us. We knew that when the New York District Kiwanians are called to help they never let anyone down. Thank you again.

As we begin a new service year, the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center at North Shore-LIJ celebrated its 20th anniversary. That's 20 years of saving the lives of children and preventing traumatic injuries!!!

While we can never know exactly how many lives our efforts on behalf of KPTC have saved, statistics tell us it is many and that we have made and continue to make a difference.

Congratulations go out to the Kiwanians who founded our trauma center, all those who have served on our Foundation Board, the Key Clubbers and Circle Kers who have supported KPTC and served on our KPTC Service Leadership Committee, all the Kiwanis Clubs that contributed funds through the annual campaign, fellowship and trauma kits programs and, of course, the Kiwanians who support the trauma center's fund raisers like the Black & White Ball.

I would be remiss if I did not pause to express my sincere appreciation to everyone responsible for the tremendous success of our 15th Black & White Ball.

If you were there, I am certain you share my belief that this was one of the best. From the fabulous basket raffle led by Diane Brousseau to the moving tribute

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to Distinguished Past Governor Al Bevilacqua, the Ball raised funds in new ways and honored the memory of a beloved founder. (A special thanks also goes to the Five Towns Kiwanis Club which will be remembering DPG Al with an annual KPTC Service Leadership Scholarship.) I also wish to thank photographer Bill Moseley for the wonderful souvenir photos he provided to guests at the Ball and gratefully acknowledge the members of the KPTC Service Leadership Committee for their help with the raffle and distributing the 20th anniversary lapel pins.

Last, but certainly not least, I thank the clubs that honored their members by naming them KPTC and KPTC Diamond Fellows at the Black & White Ball. The generosity of the clubs and the service of the honorees are greatly appreci-

ated.

As we move toward November, I would like to extend an invitation to the downstate clubs to attend the KPTC Annual Meeting on Nov. 3, 2010. At this meeting we will elect the 2011 slate of Foundation Directors and share a full report of the Foundation's activities. While the presence of club presidents and secretaries is specifically requested, this is a terrific opportunity to bring newer members to see the impact of the service we do on a regional level.

Over the past few years, you may have noticed me mentioning the activities of our KPTC Service Leadership committee in this column. I invite clubs that sponsor Service Leadership Programs in the downstate area to contact our KPTC Service Leadership Committee Co-Chairs Key Club LTG Domenick Pesce (ltgdomenickpesce@gmail.com) or Circle K Governor Rickie Santer (nygovrickie1011@gmail.com) to find out how their service leadership club can get involved.

In closing, I invite all of you to get more involved in your region's Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. If you have any questions, please contact me at jcorace@icmdata.com.

Wine Tasting to benefit KPTC North Shore

A Wine Tasting event on Nov. 17 will benefit KPTC North Shore.

The event, which is being sponsored by the Champions for KPTC Committee and the Mapleton Kiwanis Club, will be from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Absolutely Mario Restaurant, 10 Allen Blvd., Farmingdale.

The event will feature Osprey's Dominion Wine, a Long Island North Fork winery.

Tickets are \$35 per person, and reservations are requested by Nov. 10.

To purchase tickets, contact Dr. Steven Parrick, (516) 270-5955; Georgiana Sena, (516) 655-3510; Robin

Asighieri, (516) 337-1833 or Joseph Corace, (917) 282-9498.

For further information, see the district web site.