Incident Leads to CPR Training Effort

On the last morning of the Kiwanis International Convention in New Orleans, Hudson River West Past Lt. Gov. Ed Flynn suffered a cardiac arrest and dropped to the ground.

Minisink Valley Past President Rich Malarski and Past Lt. Gov. Jim Lawler saved Ed’s life as they performed CPR until the ambulance arrived.


Elaine Flynn, Ed’s wife of 61 years, who was at the presentation to add her encouragement, has set a goal to convince all the Kiwanians in the Hudson River West Division to be instructed in today’s CPR methods as a tribute to Rich and Jim.

Elaine also is working with the Wawayanda Fire Company to make CPR lessons available to all of the Wawayanda senior citizens.