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New York District Kiwanis Foundation

New Geneva Club Chartered

On Oct. 10 the new Kiwanis Club of Geneva received its charter in an event at Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

Organized in July, the club has already conducted several projects. It fills a gap in Kiwanis service which occurred several years ago when an existing Geneva club folded.

Also chartered at the event was a Builders Club at Geneva Middle School. The Builders Club had functioned under another name for several years for lack of a Kiwanis sponsor, but returned to the Kiwanis program with the formation of the new club.

Several people were honored for their role establishing the new club, including Jacobus and his wife, Bonnie; Past Canandaigua Club President Marianne Gallagher; Linda Roby of the Farmington-Victor Club; District New Club Building Chair Distinguished Past Gov. Joe Eppolito, and Finger Lakes Lt. Gov. Philip Alamond.

Members of both new clubs along with many supporters and guests attended the charter event.

Tricia White, who received care at the Golisano Children's Hospital in Rochester spoke. The hospital benefited from one of the new club's projects.

Also speaking was Ontario County Sheriff Philip Povero.



Above, the new club's president, Don Cass, receiving the charter from Gov. Eric G. Paul and Past Finger Lakes Division Lt. Gov. Dave Jacobus. At left, Bernadeta Kairys, the Builders Club Faculty Advisor, receiving the club's charter from District Builders Club Administrator Joanne Underwood.

Governor

Eric G. Paul



It is an honor to become the Governor of this great Kiwanis District. I never thought when I joined Key Club 40-plus years ago that I would join the ranks of great Kiwanians like Jack Tetamore and Eliot Spiro (who were the first Governors I met) and serve as governor.

This year, our Governor's Project will be a re-dedication to our Sponsored Programs. Essentially, I want

our Kiwanis Clubs and members to re-examine their sponsorship and commitment to our K-Kids, Builders Clubs, Key Clubs, Circle K Clubs and Aktion Clubs and become full service partners with them. We must insure they are properly trained in the details of our organizations. We must support their activities and projects, as they become partners in ours. We must assist them to attend Kiwanis sponsored events, conventions and training opportunities to help make the best of their experience as a Kiwanis family member.

If your club does not sponsor a program, why not? We will make opportunities for sponsorship easier by working with the Kiwanians who support these programs to encourage the opening of new clubs. We will encour-

age our SLP's to work with multiple Kiwanis Clubs in their area.

We have said for many years that these programs are the "best thing we do" and "what distinguishes us from the other community service clubs". It is time to re-establish our commitment in time and funds, to make them the best they can be.

This year, we will strive to EDUCATE our members and make them better Kiwanians.

We will RE-DEDICATE ourselves to our SPONSORED PROGRAMS.

We will work to complete our commitment to the ELIMINATE Program.

And we will CELEBRATE the 100th Anniversary of Kiwanis through events and activities.

I hope you will join me in these efforts!