

KPTC Programs Presented in Jamaica

Kiwanians from clubs the New York District recently visited the Island of Jamaica.

Led by Long Island South Central Lt. Gov. Ann Torcivia and Nodia Chambers, the Kiwanians carried a half a dozen extra suitcases packed with school supplies which were donated to the children of the wait, kitchen, housekeeping and bar staff of the Jewel Resort at Runaway Bay.

Upon arrival, KPTC Foundation Vice President and Service Leadership Liaison Rich Santer presented a water safety program to 30 local Jamaican children attending a camp at the resort. The program featured the KPTC Service Leadership Committee's talking robot, Vycki, who was voiced by Linda Christiano. The kids were fascinated by Vycki.

The next day the New York Kiwanians interclubbed with the Discovery Bay and Garden Parish Kiwanis Clubs. Linda Christiano presented a program on the Eliminate Project, and KPTC Foundation President DPG Joe Corace presented a program on the



Rich Santer and Vycki teach a water safety lesson to Jamaican kids.

Trauma Center and the KPTC Service Leadership Committee's Safety programs.

On Saturday, the Kiwanians presented programs to 70 local children, with assistance from local Kiwanians including Eastern Canada/Caribbean

District Governor Hope Markes and Jamaica Lt. Gov. Nellie Seivwright.

Also participating were Kathy Heim, Mark Marrasso, Nydia Corace, Lisa Santer, Andrea Watson, Justin Underwood, Joanne Underwood, Veronica Witherspoon and Robert Witherspoon.

Division Joins Walk

Bronx Westchester South Kiwanians and associate members of the Fordham CKI came out in full force to walk and raise funds to end Alzheimer's Disease. Kiwanians were led by outgoing Lt. Gov. Frank Riti, incoming Lt. Gov. Rosemary Cornacchio and Lt. Gov. Elect John Bartunek, who chaired the annual event in White Plains with his wife Judy, both from the Yonkers club. Yonkers Kiwanians were joined by club members from Hartsdale, Mt. Vernon, Westchester Village, and Fordham which sponsored more than 20 Circle Kers to walk.



Central Adirondacks Part of Record Breaking Event

On Sept. 13, by gathering an estimated 3,150 boats in one raft and raising nearly \$185,000, and One Square Mile of Hope (OSMH) and Kiwanis Club of the Central Adirondacks of Old Forge unofficially regained its place in the Guinness Book of World Records.

More than 3,150 boats with participants from 31 states, two Canadian provinces, Thailand and Belgium converged on Fourth Lake in Inlet to shatter the Guinness World Record for the largest raft of canoes, kayaks and guide boats.

The raft, held together only by hands, fulfilled a Guinness rule by free-floating for at least 30 seconds. A seaplane carrying photographer Nancie

Battaglia flew overhead capturing what will become Inlet's third record-breaking event. A second plane piloted by Jim Payne, containing videographer Lori Diemer, recorded the moment for the Guinness Committee.

By using a high-resolution photo of the raft, the OSMH team was able to count at least 3,150 boats. The information has been submitted to the Guinness World Book of Records.

This year the primary recipient of the funds raised will be the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF), located in New York City. So far \$75,000 has been committed to BCRF, \$10,000 to Upstate Cancer Center at University Hospital, \$10,000 Clara Condie Fund

at Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital and \$5,000 to Central Adirondack Kiwanis.

"The joint efforts of OSMH and Kiwanis and the hundreds of volunteers both on and off the water made this attempt to set a new world record successful," said Jim Connerty, Central Adirondacks Past President and OSMH committee member. "All the Kiwanis members who participated were both honored and excited to be working on such a worthwhile project along with the great people on the OSMH committee".