



Children's Miracle Network

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CLUB RECOGNITION Children's Miracle Network Patch Program

Children's Miracle Network is proud to announce an exciting new program to give your club recognition for your support and hard work to raise funds for the children treated at the 170 Children's Miracle Network hospitals. Your club will be given a patch to place on your Kiwanis Club Banner based on the contributions. Here is how it works:

- Hold events, auctions, tournaments, etc. to raise money for your Children's Miracle Network hospital.
- Make a copy of the check that you send or present to the hospital.
- Fundraising time frame is from October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003 which coincides with your Governor's Term.
- As soon as possible, please mail or fax the attached form along with the copies of your checks to Children's Miracle Network at the address listed on the Club Recognition Form. Upon receipt of the material we will then mail out or present your official Children's Miracle Network patch, attained based on the criteria listed below.

Your Club raises \$500 - \$999
Helping Hands

Your Club raises \$1000 - \$4999
Giving Hearts

Your Club raises \$5000 - \$9999
Shining Light

Your Club raises \$10,000 & up
Securing Tomorrow

All members of the "Securing Tomorrow" Club will also receive a commemorative, collectable pin.

Be one of the first clubs in the country to have these new patches!!!

If you need additional information please call or e-mail: Julia Vinson 801-278-8900
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to invest in another product. The basic element of a satisfied member is the quality of the club environment and one-on-one relationships. You should always recognize people for a job well done. Celebrate major events in member's lives: such as birthdays, holidays, Kiwanis anniversaries, job promotions, etc. Having a good time is a great motivator. Empower members by providing them with the support they need to get the job done. You should always encourage creativity and new ideas. But the most - most - most important thing is to keep members informed (i.e. a club newsletter).

If you remember that another word for Retention is SATISFACTION you can't miss.

45 Youngsters Attend Niagara Frontier Camp

NIAGARA FRONTIER Divisions – For the 29th consecutive year the Kiwanis Clubs of the Niagara Frontier funded a camping experience for boys and girls and young men and women with developmental disabilities. This year the camp tour of August 24 thru August 29 included 45 youngsters from the Western New York area. An extraordinary effort was made to include a large percentage of mentally impaired youngsters who previously could not attend because of their severe disabilities. Planning included one-on-one counselor attention for these children. The 22 girls and 23 boys ranged in age from 7 to 21 years. The Niagara Frontier Camp Kiwanis Program is sponsored by the Western New York Kiwanis Clubs in collaboration with the Heritage Centers and the Cradle Beach Association, both United Way agencies.



Past Governor Jim Yochum serves beverages to children on Kiwanis Visiting Day.



Kiwanians create sundaes for children on Visiting Day. West Seneca Kiwanians Pat Scott (PLG Tony Scott's spouse), Sue Tober and DPLG Bill Tober lend helping hands.

Mid-week of the camping tour was Kiwanis Visiting Day during which Kiwanians from Western New York clubs cooked hot-dogs, stuffed rolls, served macaroni salad,

children, a change of pace and activities for their parents, and a "real life,, experience for the participating student counselors and professional advisors. Additional benefits



Returning from camp, children select gifts Trooper Toys For Tots (Fredonia, NY), under the watchful eye of Cathy Martin, Buffalo Club Secretary.

baked beans, potato chips, poured pop and lemonade, and created ice cream sundaes for the 100+ campers, counselors, staff and guests. Kiwanians were treated to a spontaneous song fest and a camp tour after the picnic. Kiwanians and visitors enthusiastically followed the guides and were treated to the detailed features of this beautiful and functional facility located 18 miles south of Buffalo on the Lake Erie shore. Kiwanis prizes were subsequently presented to all campers at the talent show.

Basketballs, footballs and soccer balls, games and auto and ship models provided by Trooper Toys For Tots of Fredonia, NY were distributed to each camper's family as the children arrived from camp via the 55 passenger air-conditioned coach bus. Pictures of their camp experiences were also distributed to all campers and staff.

This Niagara Frontier Camp Kiwanis Program was initiated in 1975 as a multi-benefit project which provides a camping experience for the mentally handicapped



Children with developmental disabilities anticipate a great time at the Niagara Frontier Camp.

have been realized such as the opportunity for United Way agencies collaboration, local value from local fund raising, and the evolution of an active Kiwanis participation project. To date the Niagara Frontier Clubs have raised and expended over \$250,000 to support this much needed and worthwhile project benefiting the mentally disabled children of Western New York.



Photo above: Smiling children beam as the bus departs for an exciting camp experience.

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LG whose Division has the highest total members under the age of in the Kiwanis year.

In the past, the plaque went directly to the club. Now, we will also recognize the LG with the highest Divisional total. They should be rewarded too. Of course, all clubs participating in the program will receive beautiful Banner Patches.

The final results are in. The Think 39 **Champ** is the Tupper Lake Club with a whopping 15. **Second** place goes to Nassau County Young Professionals with 8 and **Third** place goes to The Kingston Club with 6. Just in . . . the Nunda Kiwanis club has 6 under 39ers to report.

The number 1 Division is Adirondack with 17. The New York District total for the 2002-2003 year is 94.

Congratulations to the winners and all the other clubs that worked so hard during this campaign. Now it's time to get behind Gov. Peter and hit the pavement again as we find those little under 39 gems that will make this year great. Gov. Pete has many great membership and recruitment ideas. Take the time with your clubs and put together a Think 39 game plan. Let's make this our most successful contest thus far.

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plan is to induct and keep new members with proper orientation.

My job will be to inform divisions how best to orient new members to keep them interested and completely active

Subsequent articles in ESK will also serve to inform you. Kiwanis deserves your full support, so does your division-your club and that new member you ask to join. We all wish you great success in your clubs and believe sincerely that this year will be a banner year for New York.