



New Member Orientation

Peter J. Owens

As a new District Chairperson for Governor Peter, I know his prime objective include expanding membership. This not a new goal-for many Governors have been on the same course. We are currently at the lowest membership in a long time and that needs to be corrected if Kiwanis is to survive.

There are a great many, methods and ways to address this situation at the division and club levels. Additionally there are many very valuable and experienced individuals waiting to assist you to improve your club rosters not only by increasing members but keeping them.

Governor Peter has placed a great deal of trust in DPLG Rosemary DeJulio and a new organizational team is in place to move to your assistance.

There is nothing more disheartening when effort is spent and the new member is immediately lost in the morass of club activity without proper introductions. If you recall your own induction- you might have arranged it better or at least differently. The

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Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Reading Program With Hillbrook Youngsters An Award Winner

The Kiwanis Club of **ONONDAGA HILL**, Ontario Division – Youngsters at Onondaga County's Hillbrook Detention Center have improved as much as two reading levels with one-on-one reading help by retired teachers who are members of Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Club.

The reading help at Hillbrook is provided by Susan Ulm, Virginia McCarthy, and Judy Morgan—all retired school teachers—as they spend two hours or more each week helping youngsters with their reading.

Even though their stay at Hillbrook may be for only a few days or few weeks, the youngsters seem to thrive on the personalized reading help ... and as they read better ... they also understand and do better in their other subjects.

One of the teachers—Mrs. Morgan—says most of the youths with the personalized help are improving by at least two reading levels.

Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Club received the statewide Coral Single Service Award this spring for its reading program, which has also provided some books and other materials for the library at Hillbrook. The first place award compares Onondaga Hill's project with those of all other clubs of similar size in New York State.

Donna Kay Campbell, a member of Onondaga Hill club and a chaplain at Hillbrook, worked with Kiwanis to secure a community partnership grant from the Central New York Community Foundation. The grant, partially based on the earliest work, provided \$11,720, primarily for books and teaching materials at Hillbrook, and is being put to good use for the continuing active reading program.

Reading has received a top priority in the New York Kiwanis District for the past two



Mrs. Susan Ulm, at left, of Onondaga Hill Kiwanis asks her student to read aloud so she can determine the progress he is making.



Mrs. Virginia McCarthy, at right, a retired teacher, works one-on-one with a youngster at Hillbrook Detention Center to improve his reading ability.

years. Distinguished Past Governor Pat Cooney encouraged clubs to provide books and read to children as his statewide program for youth. Justin Underwood, last year's Kiwanis state governor, continued the reading program with additional emphasis on "asking questions to see if children know what they have just read."



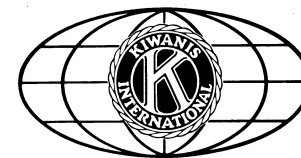
Alzheimer's Project

Steve Haller

Hats Off to the K Family Project!

Alzheimer's Association Memory Walks took place in 41 regions throughout New York State this Fall. As of the writing of this article K Family involvement in Alzheimer's Association Memory Walks generated more than \$10,000 across New York State!! Hats off to Kiwanis, Circle K and Key Club for helping the Alzheimer's Association in raising money for programs and services for the 400,000 New Yorkers living with Alzheimer's disease today. Until a breakthrough or cure is found it is imperative that we provide the leadership necessary to support New Yorkers with Alzheimer's disease. With your help we can continue to provide care consultation, support groups and educational programs for people affected by Alzheimer's disease and their loved ones. Thank you!!

In addition to the involvement of the K Family in New York State Memory Walks representatives of the Alzheimer's Association have had the opportunity to speak at numerous Kiwanis club meetings over the last several months. Included in the presentation is an overview of the Alzheimer's Association and the programs and services that we provide; responding to questions about Alzheimer's and other related disorders; information about research and clinical trials going on today; and our hopes for the future. As you plan your upcoming Club and Divisional meetings please contact the Alzheimer's Association Chapter near you. Someone from the Chapter will be honored to present at your next meeting.



Five Kaiser Fellowships Awarded



The Kiwanis Club of Peninsula Hewlett awarded 5 Kaiser Fellowship Awards to outstanding members for hard work & dedication. Pictured Left from Right Front: Chairman John Capobianco, Lt. Governor John Deleo, Dominick Sciarrotta, Chester Merendino, President Sal Brancaccio, and Past International President Anton "Tony" Kaiser. Rear: Past President Dominick Curra and New York District Foundation President Lindy Marrazzo, and Mark Maguire.

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Saletto, Michael Malark, and Glen Hollins

Our sincere condolences to the family of Past President Victor Allegretti from the Bensonhurst & Bay Ridge Club in the Brooklyn Division. Victor had a huge heart and was instrumental in donating thousands of dollars to the most needy of our communities. We are all going to miss him.



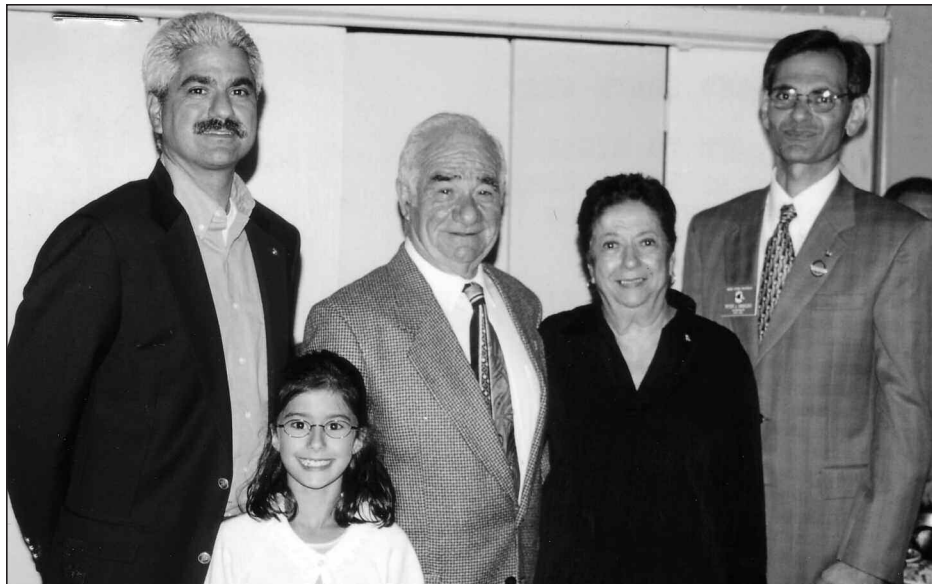
Think 39

Rick Levine

I am pleased to announce that we are adding 2 new awards to the Think 39 program. The first one is for the club that comes up with the best idea or recruiting gimmick. This idea will be submitted to me and then published in this column for the entire New York District to read. We are a team, and if one of us has a great idea, we should all be able to share in the wealth. There has to be a reason why some clubs bring in 5, 10 or even 20 under 39ers and others bring in none. This new award which will result in the club receiving a plaque is called "The GIFT 30 AWARD" (Great ideas for Think 39). Let's get out there and make a difference and share your ideas with the District. Give them the GIFT.

The other award will go to the unsung heroes, the Lt. Governors, who quietly in the background help guide their clubs to betterment. The new award will go directly to the

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Governor Peter Mancuso installed John Deleo as New LG Governor of Long Island Southwest. Pictured from left to right: Michael Deleo (son and member) Long Island Southwest Lt. Governor John Deleo, Marie Dileo, Governor Peter Mancuso, and Granddaughter Stephanie Deleo.