At their October Charter/Installation Night, Dist. Past Gov. John & Former First Lady Rosemarie Gridley, presented, on behalf of the Floral Park Kiwanis Club, a new pediatric trauma kit to the Rescue Squad of the South Floral Park Fire Department. The kit was presented in memory of Rosemarie Gridley's late father. Pictured above l-r: DPG Al Bevilacqua, Former First Lady Rosemarie Gridley, SFPFD Rescue Squad Lieutenant, SFPFD Chief and DPG John Gridley.

Floral Park Donates Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Kit

Solvay-Geddes-Camillus Donates KPTC Kits

The Kiwanis Club of Solvay Geddes - Camillus, Ontario Division – donated Pediatric Trauma Kits to the Lakeside and Solvay Fire Departments to provide needed equipment designed to handle juvenile injuries.

The Kiwanis club obtained the special pediatric trauma kits through Kiwanis sources at $1,000 per kit. The money is directed to the Kiwanis commitment at North Shore University Hospital, New York City for pediatric trauma advertising and community interface.

In addition to the pediatric size carrying boards and oxygen masks, each kit contains a child BVM resuscitator, disposable bag masks and face masks, pediatric nasal cannulas, masks with reservoir, disposable bubble oxygen humidifiers, blood pressure cuffs with gauze, stethoscope, and disposable silver swaddling blanket.

Lakeside Chief Tim Wolsey, at left, and Lieutenant Ed Webster of Solvay Fire Department explain to President John Wilson and other Kiwanians that the pediatric size carrying boards, oxygen mask, and other equipment in the kits are tremendously important for handling juvenile trauma cases properly.

Valley Stream Supports Community With KPTC Kits

The Kiwanis Club of VALLEY STREAM, Long Island Southwest Division – donated two Pediatric Trauma Kits to the Elmont Fire Department. The kits contain specialized equipment to help assist Emergency Medical Technicians in treating pediatric injuries. The Valley Stream club raised the money for the kits through various fundraising activities.


KPTC Gathers for Annual Meeting at North Shore

On Tuesday, November 18th the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center held its annual meeting to an overwhelming crowd of over 100 people in the Rusk Auditorium at North Shore University Hospital. Elections were held and Selwyn “Jerry” Rudnick became the next President of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center.

Sandra J. Kaplan, MD, made an informative presentation on “Fostering Resilience in Schools – Curricula and Resources for Crisis Readiness and Response.” Dr. Kaplan is the Vice Chairman, Department of Psychiatry for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at North Shore. In light of the times we are living in, preparedness is the utmost goal for health care professionals.

The audience received an update from Associate Director Rosemarie Ennis (and KPTC Past President John Lalena)

EMT) about NSU-LIJ Department of Professional and Public Health Education Programs. Ennis explained the essential educational sessions on pediatric trauma that Kiwanians help support.


A new President Jerry Rudnick, Governor Peter Mancuso, and PP John Lalena vow to keep the support for children foremost. Left: KPTC Board member Bruce Brooks and Governor Elect Glenn Hollins also add their support and ideas.

Above: In honor of Gene Ferguson, long-time supporter and treasurer of the KPTC, Ida Ferguson with her daughters presented a KPTC Kit to Chief Richard Holvman of the Babylon Firehouse.

Left: KPTC PP Joe Corace opens the trauma kit to display the small instruments and resuscitating devices sized-down for pediatric use to fireman. This kit is one of the 140 Kiwanians have supplied to help communities with trauma to kids.