The Kiwanian Richard Cecere

as Chairperson of Community Board #3 in Queens. During his tenure on the Community Board he chaired many committees. Rich was also a member and former board member of the John F. Kennedy Democratic Club and former president of the New Visions Democratic Club. Rich also served on the boards of the Newtown Senior Center in Elmhurst and the United Community Civic Association.

An enthusiast of all kinds of music and especially Doo-Wop, Rich lived a dream when he was a deejay at a local radio station playing the “oldest” music he so loved. During his illness, Rich was an inspiration to all. He always had a positive and upbeat attitude. During our lengthy phone conversations while he was in the hospital, he never wanted to dwell on his illness, instead he would steer the conversation to other subjects – old time TV programs and especially cooking, which we both shared a passion for, as well as travel plans, another great love of Rich and Lorraine’s. Sometimes the discussions turned to politics, which often became loud and heated, but luckily for us, we were both on the same wavelength! Rich, my friend, you are already missed – not only by me and PG Ed but by your entire Kiwanian Family at the club. Your seat next to me at our weekly meetings remains your seat.

Maurine Allen

Remembrances of Richard Cecere

By SDPLIG Maureen Allen

Long Island South Central Division, Lt. Governor Mary Burns installs Julie Davis-Olson as President.

Olsen Takes the Reins As Franklin Square President

The Kiwanian Club of FRANKLIN SQUARE, Long Island South Central Division – held their 8th Annual Installation of Officers & Board of Directors at the Platteauische Park Restaurant. This is the first time in Franklin Square Kiwanis history, they have installed a

Female President! Julie Davis-Olson was a Charter member of the club in 2000 and served as club Secretary 3 consecutive years, Vice President, & President Elect before taking the office of President for the 2007-2008 year.

Outgoing President Mark Oxios was presented a Town of Hempstead Citation of Outstanding Community Service by Ali Mirza on behalf of Tom Suazzi.

Nancy Layton-Ziem being installed as Vice President.

Ken Christensen being installed as Secretary & Treasurer.

Frank Ammendola being installed as President Elect.

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place on October 17th, and was repeated on October 20th for those who could not attend on Wednesday. Kamp Director Rebecca Lopez and her staff headed by Rob Thompson from Perth, Australia did a remarkable job in planning the event. In all fifty two (52) walkers were in attendance on Wednesday. They met and were photographed with President Dave and Eva prior to and after the walk. On Saturday another fifty (50) were there to take part in that phase of the walk. Special thanks go out to the Circle K Executive Board led by Governor Mike Ott. Mike led the way for all Circle K’ers. I also congratulate the Key Clubs from Jamesville-DeWitt High School and Fonda-Fultonville High School all of whom walked on Saturday. “They made my day”. Other walks are scheduled in areas around the District. The Adirondack Division had a walk at their own Camp Kiwanis outside of Plattsburgh. Many thanks to Lt. Gov. Linda Gonyo-Home for directing that walk. Also the Susquehanna Division led by Lt. Gov. Sandra Berwald had a walk within their Division. This walk was strongly supported by The Key Club from Owego High School. Again thank you all. The result of this activity will bring monies to Kamp Kiwanis and to the Kiwanis International Children’s fund. This will allow many more dreams to come true.

Ken Christensen being installed as Secretary & Treasurer.

Above: Members of the Board of Directors present to be installed were Frank Biondo, Gloria Cerrone, Mike Fusco, Lt. Gov. Mary Burns, Marion Wildnauer, Tony Genova & Phil Munda.

Frank Biondo, Gloria Cerrone, Mike Wildnauer, Tony Genova & Phil Munda.

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additional questions for the Annual Club Report.

The next time you log onto the reporting site, you should choose the Annual Club Report, follow the prompts and submit your amended report.

If your club did not report on-line, then you can go to www.kiwanisonline.org/annual-clubreport and follow the prompts to register and then submit your club’s Annual Report.

If you choose to submit your Annual Report manually, you will need to download the report, fill it out, and send in to Indianapolis immediately. The importance of this cannot be overstated as it is through these Annual Reports that the District Awards are made for Community Service, Human and Spiritual Aims, Governmental and Educational efforts.

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Scott Smith will be giving three online webinars on the 07-08 monthly report. The sessions can accommodate 1,000 people each. If we need to have more due to a high demand then we will schedule an additional session or two. Please follow the link below to sign up for one of the sessions. All times listed are Eastern.


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Web-based Training for On-Line reporting

By SDPLIG Maureen Allen

The Kiwanian Club of JACKSON HEIGHTS lost our friend and member Richard Cecere on June 29, 2007 after a brief battle with leukemia. Our club had been lucky up to now, we had never lost a member due to death. Rich and I joined the Kiwanian Club of Jackson Heights at the same time - September, 1990, during its organizational period. Rich served as the second president of the Club and was the Club’s secretary for many years, receiving Distinguished status numerous times.

Throughout the years, Rich served as chairperson of the club’s Public Relations committee and most recently he chaired the senior component of the Governor’s Project. Throughout his Kiwanian activities he served on the Board of Directors, not only of the Club, but the Queens West Kiwanian Foundation’s Board, where he also served on many committees.

When our Club adopted benches along Northern Boulevard in Jackson Heights, Rich was there – paint brush in hand. When the Queens West Kiwanian Foundation held its annual Harvest Festivals “Chef Rich” was there, spatula in hand to help flip the hundreds of burgers needed over the two day festivities each year. He was always on hand, from start to finish during the Club’s annual Street Festival, and he was usually the first to volunteer to do an Inter-Club.

When I was Lt Governor, Rich served as my Division Treasurer. His personal support was always available to me when I visited other clubs if I needed transportation or just company. There was never any question that during “my year” he would come to the International convention in New Orleans. Rich and his wife Lorraine came to the Mid Winter Conference that year, and he stayed up well past his “bedtime” to work the hospitality suite. They also accompanied us to a few District conventions and when our Foundation held its weekends away in the Poconos – they were there, costumes and all, to add to the wonderful camaraderie.

Rich had perfect attendance for seven years. Even during his illness, when not in the hospital, Rich and Lorraine showed up at the weekly meetings.

Richard also made time to be active in other aspects of the Community. He served

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Getting on line Now for 2007 – 2008

It is important that all of your reports are submitted On-Line at www.kiwanisonline.org/login. No written reports will be accepted at the District Office. There will be a new On-Line reporting form available after November 1st, 2007. That form will include all of the questions that the Kiwanian International Board and staff need for next year PLUS there will report options that will allow the system to more accurately track your club’s progress towards the 2007 – 2008 Achievement Criteria (Distinguished Club).

There will still be adjustments next year, but those should be minimal.

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January 2008

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