Westchester Village & Morris Park Celebrate The Season For Kids

Governor Glenn Turns Out to Be a Cricket Player at K Family Weekend
I hope that all of you had a happy holiday sea- son. We completed a very successful Ki- Family Weekend at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa. We brought together Kiwanians, Key Club and Circle K leaders for a weekend of fun, fellowship, Kiwanis Board meetings and spirited games of cricket. Now that we are in the new year it's time to look forward to upcoming events:

Mid-Year Conference
This year’s Mid-Year Conference will be held February 25–27, 2005 at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa Kerhonkson, New York. We are planning a very exciting and fun-filled program. There will be many new forums that will be of interest to all. See Registration Form on page 10 of the ESK. Note: registration goes directly to the Hudson Valley Resort and Spa.

International Convention 2005
The 90th Annual Kiwanis International Convention will take place on July 2-6, 2005 in Honolulu, Hawaii. The New York delegation will have the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel as its headquarters hotel. In addition, we have the Double Tree Inn for those Kiwanians interested in another 5 Star property at an excellent land only package. Clubs received a mailing in November, 2004 with all the appropriate KI and NY District Forms. The NY District land only package form can be found on our web-page. KI forms are available on the KI web-page and October, 2004 KI magazine.

Hawaii has many things to offer to the Kiwanians and their families. The convention promises to be one you will enjoy. Make your plans early and enjoy your visit to Hawaii and the Kiwanis International Convention. Let's all get behind PG Tom DeJulio and elect him Kiwanis Int Trustee.

Monthly Reports
The division Lt. Governor and the District Office needs your help. The Club Monthly Report needs to be completed and sent on a timely basis to your Lt. Governor and the District Office. Part of the purpose, personal business advantage or corporate charter from the State of Michigan.

1991 – A debate over the organization’s purpose personal business advantage of a community service, reaches a climax at the convention in Birmingham, Alabama. As a professional organizer, Browne owns rights in the organization and supports the business exchange model for Kiwanis. The anti-Browne majority offers to buy him out and Browne names his price: $17,500. Members and clubs quickly subscribe the sum on the convention floor. Kiwanis “buys itself” and service triumphs over business interests. Henry J. Elliott, Montreal, Quebec, is the first Canadian President.

1924 – A constitutional convention is held in Denver, Colorado. A more detailed constitution is adopted, the six Permanent Objects of Kiwanis are adopted, and Kiwanis International becomes the official name.

Nine Highlights From Ninety Years of Kiwanis
As Kiwanis celebrates its 90th anniversary, each of the past 90 years was important for those we serve. Here are nine years that were especially important for the organization, when events changed the history of Kiwanis.

1914 – Allen S. Browne, a professional organizer for fraternal groups, has an idea for a new kind of club and begins recruiting business and professional men in Detroit, Michigan. Browne’s proposed name for the group, the Benevolent Order Brothers, is rejected, however. As one member commented, “Who wants to belong to an organization called BOB?” A committee consults with a local historian, who tells them about a phrase in the local American Indian language: Nunc, Kee-wanis, which means, approximately, “We get together” or “We trade.” The club adopts an abbreviated version of this phrase, Kiwanis. January 21, 1915, becomes the official birthday of Kiwanis when the Detroit group receives a corporate charter from the State of Michigan.

1915 – The Kiwanis Club of Sacramento sponsors a club for “key boys” in the local high school. This first Key Club will eventually grow to be the world’s largest service club for high school students. Key Club will be joined by Circle K for colleagues, Builders Club for junior high students, and K-Kids for elementary students in future decades.

1940 – Kiwanis marks its 25th anniversary with a birthday party in Detroit. Twenty-five silver dollars decorating the cake are auctioned for $625, the first funds of the new International Foundation. In the future, the foundation will become a major partner in Kiwanis service, receiving and granting more than $1 million each year to support Kiwanis service programs.

1955 – After almost 40 years of renting ever-expanding office space, plans are made for Kiwanis to own its own headquarters. Delegates approve a $1 increase in dues for three years to pay for the building. The 1958 International Convention is held in Chicago to witness the laying of the cornerstone, and the staff moves into the new Kiwanis International Building in 1959.

1961 – The convention in Toronto is the largest in history with almost 14,000 registrants. In a historic action, convention delegates approve Kiwanis extension outside the United States and Canada. Today, Kiwanis clubs are active in 94 nations.

1987 – After 15 years of debate, the International Board recommends adoption of a women's membership amendment, and delegates to the Washington, DC, convention approve the historic change overwhelmingly. US President Ronald Reagan addresses the convention and honors the Kiwanis school drug abuse drug abuse program with a Presidential Citation for Private Sector Initiatives, the nation's top award for community outreach programs.

1994 – The first Kiwanis Worldwide Service Project to eliminate iodine deficiency disorders is officially launched at the International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana. The $7.5 million fund-raising goal is surpassed in 2001, and today Kiwanis-funded IDD programs are active in more than 90 nations. The United Nations Children's Fund, our project partner, estimates that these programs are protecting 75 million children each year from the risk of mental retardation. Ian Perdriau, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Melbourne, Australia, is elected as the first International President from outside the founding nations of the United States and Canada.

Governor Receives Certificate of Election
International President Case Van Kleef (center left) and Susan Van Kleef (left) presented the official Certificate of Election to District Governor Glenn Hollins (center right) and Susan Groenewoud (right) during the Kiwanis International Council meeting in Indianapolis in October.

Presentation Promotes Read Around the World
Read Around the World is Kiwanis International's newest annual observance. This year, Kiwanis clubs will encourage child literacy from February 1-March 3. Support materials were sent to clubs in November.

The purpose of Read Around the World is to promote child literacy by reading to children and presenting them with age-appropriate books they can keep and read again. During the past two years, hundreds of Kiwanis clubs have read to children at libraries, schools, and child-care facilities and given thousands of books to children so they can continue reading at home.

Now Kiwanians can explain the project to their own clubs and other groups with a new PowerPoint presentation. The 13 PowerPoint slides explain the basics of Read Around the World and inform viewers how they can participate. For a copy of the presentation, direct your request to ewarr@kiwanis.org or call Kiwanis International at 800-549-2647 ext. 211.
Westchester Village & Morris Park
Bring Presents and Smiles to Kids

The Kiwanis Clubs of MORRIS PARK and WESTCHESTER VILLAGE, Bronx Westchester South Division — for the last fifteen years have provided a Christmas Party for the children of the Institute for Special Education and this year was no different. LG Rocco Riti, Morris Park Pres. Peter Caliendo and Westchester Village Pres. Angie Politano and Kiwanians gathered at the Institute on Pelham Parkway in the Bronx where they decorated and set-up with joy and were thrilled to see Santa (Morris Park’s Gary DeViso) with presents for all. The event was organized by Tony Sassone, who got the toys from Steve’s Toyland.

The Morris Park and Westchester Village Clubs also made sure there was a magician on hand to entertain the youngsters. Everyone feasted on delicious food and the spirit of the season prevailed.

Basket Raffle to be Held At Mid-Year Conference

By Rebecca Ovadia
Basket Raffle Chair
This year, as in the past, we will be holding a basket raffle at the Mid-Year Conference at the Hudson Valley Resort on February 25-27, 2005.

The success of the raffle year after year is truly a shining achievement for our District and for all of our generous Kiwanians within. This year, First Lady Susan had designated Kamp Kiwanis and the Pediatric Trauma Center at North Shore University Hospital as the recipients of money raised by the raffle.

We are requesting at least one gift basket from each Division in the District to be raffled off at the Conference. Of course, we will be happy to accept as many baskets as are donated. This is a great opportunity for you to showcase the uniqueness of your Club or Division and to highlight the product native to your area.

We hope to create some excitement and fun at our weekend at the Hudson Valley Resort and in the process raise much needed money for our Kamp and the Pediatric Trauma Centers.

If you have any questions about the raffle, please contact me, Rebecca Ovadia, Basket Chair at WoodsideKiwanis@aol.com or at (516) 432 5690. I look forward to meeting you and the fruits of your labor in February. Thank you.

Thank you.

Susan and I would like to extend our sincere best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year for everyone. The good things that our clubs have done through this season brought joy to many families and individuals. It is your Kiwanis club that has made a difference. The variety of projects demonstrated our commitment to our communities.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Mid Year Conference on February 25-27, 2005 at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa. It will be a wonderful conference and we have many interesting forums and workshops for you. For further information about our conference schedule, forums and other events, please go to our web site, www.kiwanis-ny.org.

Just a quick update about the terrific K-Family Weekend we had in November. Kiwanians, Circle Kers and Key Clubbers enjoyed a busy weekend of forums, board meetings and best of all some spirited games of cricket, thanks to Queens West LG Eric Shavarian. We met our counterparts in the K-family and got to know each other while having fun. Thank you to all the helping hands who created a special weekend for all of us.

On page 4 you will notice a Round Robin Form to report your interclub visits. I encourage everyone to get involved in this valuable exchange of ideas from your fellow Kiwanians. Remember to send your reports to the District Office so your club can get credit for your efforts.

All New York District Clubs should be in the process of planning some projects that will meet the criteria for the 2005-2006 Governor’s Project. The types of projects that each club does should be limited only by the imagination and inventiveness of the club members. Therefore, clubs are encouraged to undertake new projects whose basic themes combine children and their safety and partner with other organizations as appropriate.

Here are some ideas for you to consider:
• Partnering with the local fire department and have school children conduct a home fire safety check list. • Partnering with the local, county or state police and have a car seat safety check. Partnering with the AAD and hold a bicycle safety rodeo. • Partnering with the ASPCA, zoo, veterinarian or local animal rescue group for an animal and child safety program. With home pool safety, playground safety, road and traffic safety and household safety clubs should have no problem creating new and exciting projects which I look forward to hearing about.

See you at the New York District Mid-Year Conference. I think you will be pleasantly surprised with our new location.

Check out the New York District Website at www.kiwanis-ny.org

Glenn W. Hollins
Governor
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Caring Kiwanians Respond to Tsunami Relief Appeals

The Kiwanis International Headquarters was closed from Christmas to New Year’s Day, so no staff was on duty when news of the Indian Ocean tsunami spread around the world. However, Kiwanis clubs didn’t wait for guidance from headquarters. The Kiwanians of Colombo, Sri Lanka, gathered emergency supplies, jumped into their cars, and drove across the island nation to the devastated areas. Clubs in Singapore and Taiwan immediately sent funds to Kiwanis clubs in the affected nations. The Kiwanis International Foundation sent e-mail alerts to Kiwanians leaders around the world, informing them that the Foundation’s disaster relief fund was ready to accept and forward donations from clubs and members.

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interclub Guidelines Have Changed

Below is a Round Robin Form for reporting your Club’s Inter-Club activity for the 2003-2004 Administrative Year. If your club has not yet completed this form, please do so and forward to your division’s 2003-04 Lt. Governor for verification, this form must be returned to the District Office as soon as possible.

The Inter-Club Guidelines have changed for the 2004-2005 Administrative Year. Clubs with 20 or fewer members need a minimum of two members in attendance to constitute an inter-club meeting. Clubs with 21 to 30 members need three members, and clubs with 31 or more members need at least four members in attendance.

The new guidelines can be found in the October 2004 Kiwanis Magazine on page 51, under the Club Clinic section.

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New York District Kiwanis 2003-2004 Administrative Year

Inter-Club and Round Robin Form

CLUB: ________________________  DIVISION: 

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Diversity

C. Janet Banks

Leadership is the one most important components necessary to achieve diversity or inclusiveness in any organization. An organization must seek more visionary leaders to push the organization forward at all levels. It is then imperative that leadership from the top is committed to putting resources and people in positions to embrace and promote diversity or inclusiveness.

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Hornell Kiwanians Celebrate 65 Service Years to Community

On September 11, 2004, the Hornell Kiwanis Club celebrated the 65th Anniversary of their Charter at Rupert's at the Lodge. The Club was chartered on September 8, 1939 by Hornell Area businessmen.

Graciously accepting the invitation of the club to attend the celebration was past Kiwanis Governor Peter Mancuso and his wife Karen, Past Governor Justin Underwood (02-03) and his wife current Lt. Governor of her division Joanne. Former Governor from Hornell’s Chemung Division Dutch Craumer (93-94) attended with Bonnie. Days before the event former Governor Jim Yochum (98-99) and his wife Mary became unavailable but had intention of attending.

International Kiwanis President Robert Moore sent along his congratulations on our years of service to the community and wished the club many more to come.

Three Divisions Interclub at Holiday Tree Festival in Canandaigua Area

Representatives of three New York District Divisions attend the 2004 Festival of Tree’s in Canandaigua. Pictured: representing the Brooklyn Division were Hydia and Joe Corace, representing the Finger Lakes Division were Pat & Linda Cooney and Patricia Hook and representing the Genesee Division were Justin & Joann Underwood and Guy & Terry Desant. It was a beautiful start to a great holiday season.

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2004. The presenters were: Kiwanis International first woman Board member. Lisa McCoy, C. Janet Banks and Al Gilbert II, the latter two are members of the Kiwanis International Diversity Committee since its inception. This diversity forum was warmly received as indicated by the attendance and the questions asked following the presentations.

New York District Past Governor Justin Underwood followed the lead of Kiwanis International and created the New York District 2004-2005 Diversity committee is reflective of that logo. The New York District 2004-2005 Diversity Committee is committed to continue the New York District Kiwanian mission in diversity.

In a recent article that appeared in the Kiwanis magazine, the writer mentioned a request by Janet and that is she hopes that each Kiwanian will remember that “Kiwanis has a place for each face.” The New York District 2004-2005 Diversity committee is reflective of that logo.


The night began with a moving invocation by Hornell Past President Chuck Robertson acknowledging the 9-11 events of three years prior followed by a moving clarinet solo of Amazing Grace by Jim Herrick who entertained the crowd with wonderful dinner music throughout the night.

Sal Matroniano Receives Christiano Award

This past August, the Past Governors Council presented their coveted Gerald P. Christiano Award to Rochester West Central’s Sal Matroniano. The award was presented by Past International President Jerry Christiano and Past Governor Jack Tetamore to Sal Matroniano for all his devoted efforts on behalf of Kiwanis and our children. The Gerald P. Christiano award is presented annually at the NY District Convention by the Past Governors Council, after they have consider the nominees for this award based on their time in and service to the New York District.

Circle K Does Their Part to Help Tsunami Victims

This letter comes from Andrew Sindell Circle K Club Building and Development Chair in response to the tsunami disaster.

Hey Everyone – I know everyone is having difficulty taking the devastating news of the recent Tsunami disaster. Many people I know are trying to find a way to help. I want to share a personal story that took place two days ago in Westchester County, NY that other people can use as a possible example of how they can help.

I was talking with one of my friends over this winter break and we decided we wanted to do something in order to help the victims of the Tsunami disaster. Since we both lack creativity we figured something simple was amazing, tons of people donated money some well over $100, both cash and checks. Many people told us that they have been meaning to donate but didn’t know which organization to choose or how to donate so this gave them a wonderful opportunity. In the end the local news ended up coming and did a story on the fundraising campaign.

Today I went to Stamford to drop off the money and meet with the President/CEO of the organization, he was extremely thankful and told me people all over the country were beginning to rally local citizens to donate. In total we raised over $2000 in about eight hours. I urge everyone to try to organize some fundraising efforts for tsunami relief whether it be at your school, within your Circle K club, division or in your hometown.
by Mary Ann Ragona, Alzheimer’s Assoc.

On Saturday, October 2, 2004, Long Island Kiwanians joined the Alzheimer’s Association of Long Island for Memory Walk 2004. Members from the Long Island Kiwanis Clubs, Key Clubs & K-Clubs joined the Alzheimer’s Association to help raise funds to support the programs and services offered by the Long Island Chapter.

This year new fund raising techniques included the creation of Memory Walk Coordinator positions and the development of District WebPages where Kiwanis members could log on and make a donation to the Association. Kiwanis members also encouraged business colleagues, friends, and family members to log on and support Memory Walk 2004.

Collectively, Long Island Kiwanians raised over $4600 for the Long Island Chapter. Kiwanians also volunteered their time on the day of the walk to work at the tent, t-shirt and food tents. A memorable moment was watching the “dancing Kiwanis chefs” at the BBQ pits. They danced in their aprons to the tunes of our DJ, Spin Around Sound. Everyone got into the spirit of the day helping to raise more than $117,000 for Long Island programs and services.

I am (Mary Ann Malack-Ragona, Executive Director/CEO) most appreciative of all of the efforts put forth by the Long Island Kiwanis Clubs. “Without the support of the Kiwanis Clubs, we would not be able to put this event together.” “Kiwanians play a major role in the success of this event.” This year Ms. Ragona faced a particular challenge, as the truck that was delivering all of the equipment and supplies for the Walk blew a tire and arrived two hours late for the Walk. Kiwanis members rolled up their shirt sleeves, organized the volunteers, formed an assembly line and because of their enthusiasm and efforts, opening ceremonies went on as planned at 10:00 a.m.

Alzheimer’s Association of Long Island would like to thank the Long Island Kiwanis Clubs for their continued support. A special thank you goes to Steve Haller who is the Kiwanis Club Liaison for Memory Walk. This is the second year that Steve has taken on the responsibility to help the Alzheimer’s Association with Memory Walk and we are deeply grateful for his continued support and efforts. Another special thank you goes to Mauro Cassano who organized the food preparation. Serving 500 hungry walkers is no easy task, but Mauro and his fellow Kiwanians took on the task for a second year in a row and we are ever so grateful.

With over 55,000 families impacted by Alzheimer’s Disease, an event of this size is a tremendous need for the programs and services offered Continued on Page 12
Happy 90th Anniversary, Kiwanis!

George F. Hixson
Rochester Club
First International President • 1916-1918

Another major part of our celebration will be the May 6, 2005 concert to be held at the Tilles Center for the performing arts on the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University in Brookville, L.I. It promises to be a gala event and your presence and support will guarantee its success. All net proceeds of the evening will benefit the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center at Schneider Children’s Hospital at North Shore.

To celebrate this milestone anniversary here in the pages of our award-winning Empire State Kiwanian, from among the several perspectives from which our organization’s history could be viewed, let’s trace its evolution into the Kiwanis we now know. Perhaps nowhere is there more evidence of changing times and changing attitudes than in what has occurred at and as a result of our International Conventions.

90 Years of Selected Historic Highlights

• 1916 – Our first convention, May 18-19 in Cleveland, Ohio (only 16 months after our “birth” in Detroit and after the fledgling organization had already changed its “We Trade” business-oriented purpose into a community service – philanthropic one) unified the existing 24 clubs into “The National Kiwanis Club,” adopted a constitution, and elected George F. Hixson, a Rochester, N.Y. attorney to the first of his two terms as the president of the National Kiwanis Club. On the following November 1st, Kiwanians became International with the organization of the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, with our Buffalo club as sponsor.

• 1917 – In February, the first International magazine was published, edited in Buffalo and printed in Rochester.

• 1918 – Delegates to the Providence, R.I. convention authorized the formation of districts. On September 27th at a meeting in Syracuse (our first New York District “convention”) representatives of the nine existing New York clubs elected Clarence A. Nelson of Utica our first District Governor.

• 1919 – Kiwanis declared its independence at the Birmingham, Alabama convention. In a flurry of check wrist, attendees raised $17,500 in one-half hour to buy Kiwanis from founder/organizer Allen Simpson Browne.

• 1922 – The first convention held outside the United States was in Toronto, Canada, with over 4,000 people attending.

• 1924 – Kiwanis’ six permanent objects, unchanged to this day, were adopted at the Denver, Colorado convention.

• 1925 – The first Key Club was instituted by the Sacramento, California Kiwanis Club. Originally for boys only, Key Club officially went coed in 1977.

• 1936 – Our first Washington D.C. convention was attended by U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

• 1940 – The Kiwanis International Foundation was created.

• 1942-45 – Due to World War II, these three years were the only ones in our 90-year history in which no real International Conventions were held. Necessary business was conducted at an International Council meeting or a small administrative convention with very limited attendance.

• 1946 – The Atlantic City, N.J. convention

with nearly 10,000 people present broke all previous attendance records.

• 1953 – The convention in New York City, held 37 years after the first International Convention, in Cleveland, was the first (of only two) held in our New York District.

• 1955 – After an incredibly long and complex development period (33 years), the Kiwanis International Board unanimously adopted a worldwide plan for worldwide to welcome women as members. Also adopted was a worldwide plan for regional representation on the International Board of Trustees. Tony Kaiser was elected the 73rd International President, the first New Yorker since our district was formed in 1918. The traditional photo of the International President on the cover of the October issue of the Kiwanis magazine for the first time included the First Lady, Mim. On all subsequent October issue covers except one (see1990) the First Ladies were included.

• 1990 – The St. Louis convention celebrated the 75th anniversary of Kiwanis and saw the election of Dr. Wil Bleichman, the first Jewish International President. This influential president became the driving force behind our first ever three-year Major Emphasis Program “Young children Priority One!” which evolved into our Worldwide Service Project – Iodine Deficiency Disorder (IDD) and then into our permanent organizational focus, “Serving the Children of the World.” It is a measure of Wil’s commitment and zeal that he insisted that, rather than put his and First Lady Rachel’s photo on the cover of the October 1990 issue of Kiwanis magazine, which had become a tradition, the cover be devoted to “Young children Priority One!”

• 1997 – Walter Sellers of Xenia, Ohio elected at the Nashville, Tennessee convention was our 83rd President and the first African-American.

• 2001 – The first convention in our Asia-Pacific Region, in Taipei, Taiwan, was also noteworthy for the election to the International Board of Texan Lisa McCoy as the second female president, failing.

• 2004 – For the first time, our current International Board includes two female Trustees: Greet Hvardal from Norway filling the mandated 3-year seat of Region 3.
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I'm very proud to report that several clubs in all corners of our district have taken charge and energized themselves to start a K-Kids Club in their area. Wow! Imagine if we built all these clubs; it would be a good beginning to our Kiwanis year.

I would like to thank the following Kiwanians for making K-Kids clubs a priority: Floral Park, Bellmore, Van Rensselaer, Northport, three in Queens and East Hampton. Clearly, there is more that can be done.

At the Tri-K we saw and heard great news about Builders, Key Clubs and Circle K's. But K-Kids is where it should all start. For only $150/club, we have a chance to put our young students on the path to success as volunteers. This includes not only Kiwanis Clubs, but the entire family, including sponsored youth, as well.

Remember, Kiwanis International says a K-Kids club DOES NOT have to start inside a school. If you have relations with your local library, House of Worship, community center or other locations, this may your chance to get the whole community involved in working with youngsters and joining Kiwanian.

Let's make this one happy family by joining hands wherever we can to make the K-family experience a lifelong opportunity from the moment a child enters school. Our team includes PG Tony Palangi, Dale Hall from upstate, DPLG Pete Owens and yours truly from downstate. We can assist you in any way, but we need you to make the effort to contact us.

K-KIDS ADVISORS/SPONSORS

NY DISTRICT PARTICIPATES IN INTERNATIONAL K-KIDS CONTESTS

For the 1st time in at least recent memory, NY District will take part in the K-Kids International Awards contests. Each District will select winners in 4 categories. Each winner will receive a certificate from K-Kids International and be entered in international competition. In all cases, contests are described in the K-Kids Awards Booklet: <http://www.kkids.org/kkids/lit/forms/contestbook.pdf>

All entries must be sent to SDPLG Mickie Leamey, 1400 Newbridge Road, N. Bellmore, NY 11710 NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2005.

The Kiwanis Club of Castleton-on-Hudson, Van Rensselaer Division – When the motto for Kiwanis became “We Serve”, many of the Kiwanis Clubs around the world have interpreted that to mean meals - Pancake Breakfasts, Chicken BBQs – and take the words literally! The Castleton-on-Hudson Club created a new fundraiser in conjunction with the Village Wide Tag Sale (they also participated in this). In line before the crowd appears is IPP Cliff Southworth. The event was held at the local Ambulance Center building and highlighted with several outdoor billboard signs encouraging the community to enjoy their breakfast. As if they couldn’t do enough that day, they then went on to run a Chicken BBQ/Birthday Party in celebration of Kiwanian member Ed VanKampen who celebrated his 90th birthday!

New York District Kiwanis Mid-Year Registration Form

Hudson Valley Resort & Spa Reservation Request Form

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| Single Occupancy – Per Person, Per Stay | $73.00 | Inclusive of service charges |
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Rates Include:=- Overnight accommodations, sick (s) meals daily starting with dinner on day of arrival through lunch on day of departure.

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Signature

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Individuals who are categorized as “No Show” will be billed in full. After the cut off date, or when your room block has filled, the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa will accept group reservations on a space availability basis.

NOTE: Registration for $50.00 Kiwanian, $35.00 for new Kiwanian or $85.00 for Husband and wife or who are both Kiwanians.

Late fees apply after February 14, 2005. $10.00 per registration.

BADGE INFORMATION

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Saranac Lake Reaches New Heights

Kiwanis Club of SARANAC LAKE, Adirondack Division – When IGI Peter sent out his plan to address childhood obesity in his NY District Governor’s Project, the Saranac Lake Club saw an unique opportunity. When the club gathers Thursday morning at the Hotel Saranac, everyone member sees this opportunity all around. Saranac Lake might be called the epicenter of Adirondack outdoor activity.

Under the direction of the Club President and avid hiker Craig Stevens and experienced community people, the “Kiwians Mountain Mile Trekkers Project” was born. The club artist, avid hiker, and Adirondack Forty-Sixer Norvye Burgey developed our program mascot.

The goal of the project was to encourage local kids in grades 4 and 5 to participate in one of the areas greatest outdoor activities, hiking. A challenge was made to the kids to join the Kiwanis Hikes. Once a month from May through September children and Kiwanians hit the trail. The children were also asked to hike with their family and/or friends.

In early May, the club presented the programs to all 3 schools in the Saranac Lake Central School District. They spoke to all 4th and 5th graders and presented a slide show and hiker preparation presentation. Program information and registrations papers were distributed to all students.

The club picked up all hiking participants at a central location in the village and provided transportation to the trailhead and returned each participant to their home at the end of each hike. The local Red Cross chapter provided first aid kits, and a few local merchants provided a variety of prizes for the participants to give away to each member based on the level of their success.

Each hike was reported in the local paper the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, with a group photo to acknowledge the effort and participation of all the kids.

The weather never diminished the enthusiasm and interest of all the kids participating.

Marrizzo Kiwanian of the Year

The Kiwanis Club of MASSAPEQUA, LISC Division – presented this years “Kiwanian of the Year” award to Mark Marrizzo for going above and beyond in service and assistance to the club and president. The recipient is chosen by the outgoing president. Above: Mark Marrizzo, Kiwanian of the Year with outgoing President Sue Martin.

Saranac Lake Kiwians’ Mountain Mile Trekkers enjoy the first hike and successfully reached Owls Head Mountain.

Falta Receives Hixon Award

The Kiwanis Club of MASSAPEQUA, LISC Division – at their 55th Annual Installation of Officers and Board of Directors presented the George F. Hixon Award to DPP Rick Falta for his efforts on behalf of Kiwanis and our children. Above: LG Sharon Smith congratulates Hixon Award winner DPP Rick Falta with outgoing President Sue Martin (right).

Reminder for the Sponsoring Kiwanis Clubs

Contact your Key Club and Circle K Presidents to make certain that at least two delegates and alternates have registered for the conventions, and that the District and International Dues have been paid, otherwise, they cannot be certified and seated in the House of Delegates election.

Make sure that elects are held for a new slate of officers prior to the District Conventions so that they can gain the benefit of the various forums and workshops available to them at these conventions.

Make every effort possible to support the delegates to the conventions including the Kiwanis and Faculty Advisors. Very often the advisors serve as chaparones for Key Clubbers.

Reminder for the Kiwanis Lt. Governors

The months of March is also the time when the new Key Club and Circle K Lt. Governors must be elected at the division caucuses. It’s your responsibility to see that these caucuses are held to elect the new Lt. Governors.

The month of November was a very busy period for the K-Family; I would like to mention a few of the activities:

Key Club Week – The Kiwanis Club of Glenns Falls held a joint meeting with the seven sponsored Key Clubs: Bolton Landing High School, Fort Ann, Glens Falls, Hartford, South Glens Falls, Lake George and Southern Adirondack Education Center (BOCES). Each Club President reported on the projects and activities of their Key Club – Lt. Governor Heather Silver gave a brief overview of Division 15 and held a conference following the special program. Over forty Key Clubbers attended the special affair with their faculty advisors.

Circle K Annual Speaking Conference was held on November 5 – 7, at the Georgian Hotel, Lake George. I often refer to this conference as a Mini-Convention because the structure and activities are very similar to the District Conferences. One of the many benefits of this conference is that it takes place early enough in the year providing the club officers the opportunity to implement the service projects and programs.

Sponsored Organizations and Programs

Tony Palangi

The Second Semester of a School Year

The second semester of a school year for the Sponsored Youth Organizations reminds us that the current year is rapidly coming to a close. Key Club and Circle K District Conventions are held in March; Key Club Convention, March 18-20; Kutcher’s Country Club; Circle K Convention, March 18-20, Hotel Utica, mark the end of their year.

Speech Theme:

How will what you have learned in K-Kids/Builders Club help you to make the world a better place to live?

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Niagara Frontier Clubs Fund Camp Experience For Boys and Girls

Kiwanis Clubs of NIAGARA FRONTIER – For the 30th consecutive year the Kiwanis Clubs of 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 22 through August 27 included 49 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 on-going counselor attention for these children. The 20 girls and 29 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 Beach, also known as Cradle Beach, Association, both United Way agencies.

Mid-week of the camping tour was Kiwanis visiting day during which 22 Kiwanians from Western New York Clubs cooked hot dogs, stuffed rolls, served pasta salad, 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 to the Lake Erie Shore. Kiwanis prizes were subsequently presented to all campers at the talent show.

Basketballs, footballs, and soccer balls, games, auto and ship models and musical instruments 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.

Corning Sponsors HOBY Workshop for Students

The Kiwanis Club of CORNING, Chemung County, sponsored the 11th Annual HOBY (Honorary Order of Youth) Community Leadership Education Workshop for 67 sophomore students from East and West High Schools on Friday, November 5th at the Victory Highway Wesleyan Church. The students spent the day with 7 area community leaders discussing “Architecting a Life”.

The students developed leadership skills and learned more about the democratic process. The young leaders were taught competencies of leadership, so that they are better prepared to assume leadership positions in their schools, communities and homes. This year’s Community Leaders are: Dr. Frank Bourke, PhD, Clinical Psychologist, Rick O’Leary, Human Resource director, Dennis Younge, Chemung Valley Arts Council, Marianne Furne, Steuben County Family Service, Eileen Bell, Financial Planner, Staff Sgt. David Cejik, U S Marine Corps Recruiter and Peter Wallin, motivator.

Key Leader And HOBY

Kiwanis Clubs around New York have been supporting the development of leadership skills in high school students for many years through their sponsorship of participants in Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) seminars. The three-day HOBY seminars continue to be held at four locations around the state, with each high school being asked to nominate one deserving sophomore. Kiwanis support is still needed for these programs. Clubs in the New York District may soon have an additional youth leadership program they can participate in: Key Leader. Kiwanis International has announced that they will be “rolling out” the new Key Leader program during 2005, with a goal of empowering 250,000 youth leaders around the globe by 2020 by inspiring young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership. This leadership development program is based on 5 “Keys” to excellence: personal integrity; personal growth; respect; building community; and pursuit of excellence.

Key Leader events will be open to all students completing the 8th grade as well as those students already in high school. Multiple students from a school may attend as well as those being home schooled. Participants may already be in a Kiwanis Sponsored Youth program, may not yet be a member, or may be a student at a school not currently served by Kiwanis. The all inclusive registration fee has been set at $175 per student.

At its Mid-Year Conference meeting the New York District Board will be considering whether to organize a Key Leader weekend program in New York in the fall of 2005. If the District holds a Key Leader program Kiwanis Clubs and their sponsored youth clubs will play a large role in recruiting participants and Kiwanis Clubs will be asked to pay the registration fees for one or more students from their areas. For further information on how your Club can help develop our future leaders through HOBY and Key Leader, please contact John Swartwout at jswartwout@worldnet.att.net or (518)274-8639.

Notice To All Kiwanis Clubs Volunteering At HOBY Events:

We have been advised by Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) that they are now requiring background checks for all volunteers who are likely to be in contact with youth participants at HOBY events. This includes both the three-day Leadership Seminars and the one-day Community Leadership Experience Workshops (CLEWs). Kiwanians staffing a CLEW fall under this requirement even where the CLEW is being conducted by their own Club as a Board approved youth service project. The only exception is for volunteers who will serve just as speakers or panelists. The background checks may be conducted by either HOBY or by the Kiwanis Club in which a written assurance must be supplied to HOBY. This background check must, at a minimum, search the State’s Sexual Offender Registry.

Any inquiries regarding this new policy should be directed to Mr. Frank Sylvester, President of the HOBY New York City Board. Mr. Sylvester can be reached at franksyl@hotmail.com (315) 380-3002 (cell), or (315) 622-0665 (home).

Dave Gallagher

Pictured above: Visiting Day at Niagara Frontier Camp – Kiwanians from Western New York Clubs cook hotdogs including DPLG Bill Tobor and PDLG Hank Self, PP Peter Kosanovich of West Seneca and Buffalo Club Director Bill Schultz. Not pictured, but always helping out DPLG Dave Gallagher.

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K-Kids Leadership (A $200 Bond from Kiwanis Intl’ Foundation to each District’s winner) Based on service, K-family involvement, other criteria.

Scrapbooks—A certificate will be awarded to best, but even those non-winners may find their photos or stories in the pages of the K-Kids International Magazine. The scrapbooks are the source for many story ideas.

Edward J. Baupre accepts his award.

The Kiwanis Club of ROTTERDAM, Mohawk Division – Edward J. Baupre was recently presented the “Life Time Member Award” by the Rotterdam President Terry Glenn and PP Tony Colose.

Mr. Baupre, who currently is a Board Member, first joined the Rotterdam Kiwanian in 1970, and served as President in 1977-1978. In 1985, he was the chosen “Kiwanian of the Year” and has been involved in numerous activities through his care. Mr. Baupre also has been recognized for his 34 years of perfect attendance.

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, a change of pace and activities for their parents, and a “real life” experience for participating student counselors and professional advisors. Additional benefits have been realized such as the opportunity for the United Way agencies collaboration, local value from fund raising, and the evolution of an active Kiwanis participation project.

To date the Niagara Frontier Clubs have raised and expended over $260,000 to support this much needed and worthwhile project benefiting the mentally disabled children of Western new york.

Rotterdam Honors Baupre

Above: Children select “welcome home” gifts from a variety of sports equipment, games, models and musical instruments gifted from Trooper Toys for Tots, Fredonia, New York.

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Essay Themes:

“'If you give a person a fish, you feed him for a day. If you teach someone to fish, you feed him for a life time.' What does this quote mean to you? How does this apply to K-Kids/BUILDERS Club?

For more information regarding Builder’s Club and K-Kids contest, go to Buildersclub.org or Kiwanis.org and link to builders club.

If I can be of any assistance to anyone regarding Builders Club service contact me, Carl E. Johnson, 187-26 Linden Blvd., St. Albans, NY 11412, (718) 949-9300, E-Mail: <carlcinda@aol.com>
SUPERCEDES CELEBRATE! COMMUNICATE!

With the celebration of Kiwanis International’s turning 90 this January, our public relations will have an opportunity to spread, or should we say “market,” the word about our organization – who we are and what we do and who we serve.

Governor Glen has asked that all clubs in the New York District celebrate the 90th birthday during January by having a birthday party, inviting community members, representatives from the media, and politicians to attend. What a good way to market Kiwanis. Press releases, public service announcements (PSAs), broadcast interviews, etc., can be utilized to spread the word. Anniversary service projects are another way to alert the community to Kiwanis.

This is a prime time to begin a media relations program in the month of January which can be followed throughout the celebratory year with additional news releases about projects and the installation of new officers.

Remember that celebrating being a Kiwanian can occur 365 days a year, not just on one day. Also, always wear your “K”.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

Don’t forget to keep your newsletters, press releases, photos, clippings, etc. for the public relations award so that application can be voted on by the Club’s Awards Committee. Photo above (front row seated) PP Don Geraputa, PLG and President Sal Accomando, PLG and PP Dominick Sciacotta, PLG and PP John DeLeo.

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East Yonkers Luncheon Held To Celebrate 38 Birthdays “90 Plus”

The Kiwanis Club of East Yonkers, Bronx Westchester South Division – For the eighth consecutive year, East Yonkers Kiwanians rounded up 38 men and women celebrating their “90 plus” birthdays at a luncheon held in their honor. Among those “chauffeured” to the luncheon to receive accolades, gifts, and birthday wishes were Edmund Devaney. Mr. Devaney was celebrating his birthday 94 years ago and eagerly offered PG Tom his (left to right) Edmund Devaney is being congratulated by PG Tom DeJulio on the occasion of his 94th birthday.

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Dick Doane Recognized at Massapequa Club’s 56th Annual Installation Night

The Kiwanis Club of MASSAPEQUA, Long Island South Central – recently hosted their 56th Annual Installation of officers and board of directors, welcomed in the new team, and highlighted the many accomplishmets of the past year. Special awards were also given, including a Special Recognition Award to Dick Doane of Sunrise Credit Services in Farmingdale. Dr. Doane has gone above and beyond in his sponsorship of many Massapequa Kiwanis events, such as Major Sponsor of the Annual Golf Outing.


Pedicrete Lyme Disease

Governor Glen had asked me to co-chair along with Joe Wuest the district committee on Pediatric Lyme Disease. It is both my honor and privilege to serve Governor Glen and our great New York District. Pediatric Lyme Disease is an ongoing program that was started when I was Governor. It was brought to my attention by Joe Wuest. It was set up to help pay for treatment of this disease as most insurance companies do NOT pay for its treatment, and I might add is very expensive. It is funded through donations from clubs or individuals to the Pediatric Lyme Disease fund. We have paid for about $50,000 of treatment to date to doctors and/or hospitals for kids with Lyme Disease.

Lyme disease is caused by bacteria, usually transmitted by the deer tick. It is a scary possibility to New York State residents who enjoy spending time outside during the summer months. Lyme disease may affect the brain in many ways, the most common of which is a disturbance in thinking (cognition). Other symptoms that occur frequently include headache, mood swings, irritability, depression, and marked fatigue.

The spirochete which causes Lyme disease (Borrelia burgdorferi) can invade the central nervous system within days to a week of initial skin infection, as a result of dissemination through the blood stream. The majority of people who are treated early with antibiotics do well and incur no long term problems. People who are not treated until later in the illness may have a more complicated course.

A few points should be emphasized regarding late neuro-psychiatric Lyme disease. First, although arthritis is helpful in the diagnosis of Lyme disease, the majority of patients with cognitive troubles due to Lyme disease (lyme encephalopathy) do not have joint problems at the time their cognitive symptoms become manifest. This is not widely recognized among physicians, although it is well documented in the medical literature. Second, the bedside neurolologic exam does not usually disclose neurologic findings and standard office based cognitive screening test may not detect cognitive impairment. To detect thinking problems, the more sensitive tool of comprehensive neuropsychological testing conducted by a neuropsychologist is needed. Third, lumbar puncture while important in the differential diagnosis should not be used to exclude neurologic Lyme disease, as roughly 20-40% of patients with confirmed neurologic Lyme disease may test negative on routine CSF assays.

In the next ESK I will talk about the typical time course for the manifestation of Lyme symptoms. In the mean time, remember to educate your clubs and community, have fundraisers, and make a donation to the Pediatric Lyme Disease Fund so we can get children the treatment they need.

EMPIRE STATE KIWANIAN
Caring Woodridge Kiwanians Raise Funds to Help Local Restaurant

Kiwians Club of WOODRIDGE, Hudson River West Division – On a dark weekend night in October local volunteer firemen fought the blaze that destroyed Tony’s Family Restaurant in the center of the small village of Woodridge. Tony’s Family Restaurant had been the meeting place for the Woodridge Kiwanians almost since Tony first opened. Since then the Kiwanian Family of Woodridge have been at work to assist the burned out restaurant owner and his family. The entire little village rallied around to help. Recently $2,000 was earned by the Kiwanis Family to help Tony’s Family. Huge pans of lasagna were prepared and served at the K-Family Weekend to a close.

Roscoe Kiwanians Honor Shirley Ann Wood With Lifetime Achievement Award

Kiwians Club of ROSCOE, Hudson River West – Shirley Ann Wood, a member of Kiwanis since 1990 was recognized with a Life Achievement Award for her service within the Roscoe Kiwanis Club. Shirley Ann has been instrumental in strengthening many activities near and dear to Kiwanis, like the Blood Drive, Rose Sale, and various fundraisers which support the youth of the Roscoe, NY area. Congratulations Shirley Ann!

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**ELECTRIC WHEEL CHAIR FOR SALE**
Orlando Valerntino, a Kiwanian of Franklin Square, has for sale a 2002 Jazy Electric Wheelchair. It was never used by his wife, Rosemary, who can not operate the chair due to multiple sclerosis. If interested, please call: 516 358 5197. Sale price: $1,000.
6th Annual Buffalo Bills Charity Game Raises +$12,700

Foundation President
Lindy Marrazzo

Our prayers go out to the family of Dominick Sciarrota who passed away a few weeks ago from cancer. Dominick was a director of our Foundation and Kamp Kiwanis was the love of his life. His life was filled with helping others, especially children. One of his last wishes was that all donations received in his memory be donated to Kamp Kiwanis. You can honor Dom by sending a donation in his memory to the new york district Kiwanis foundation, 1522 Genesse Street, Utica, NY 13502. I guess it’s true that God only takes the best.

Camp applications are out. Check your mail or our E-mail address at <www.kiwanis-ny.org/kamp>. As a reminder, if history says anything, we will once again have a full camp so get your reservations in ASAP.

The Buffalo Bills vs. the New York Jets. Insert: DPG Jim Yochum, also West Seneca.

DPLG William Tober (left) and his First Lady Sue (right) greet NY Candidate for International Trustee Thomas DeJulio and DPLG Dr. Rosemary DeJulio.

West Seneca Club President Ted Winkle and NY District Former First Lady Mary Yochum make sure everything is going just right.

Ridgewood Savings Bank Grants $$$ to Kamp Kiwanis

DPLG Pete Owens, a Foundation Board Member announced at the regular Board meeting on November 21 that a $5,000 grant for Kamp Kiwanis had been received through the efforts of County Seat Kiwanis, Mineola, New Year. Great job County Seat!

Adopt-An-Acre at Kamp Kiwanis

At a recent Foundation Board meeting a motion was accepted to permit clubs and individuals to “Adopt an Acre” and arrange to amortize the $1,500 fee over three years. This would allow clubs to select a particular annual function and dedicate part of the proceeds to a particular project on a yearly basis.

Camps and individuals can contact DPLG Pete Owens at 516 294 0010 (fax 516 294 1278) to obtain additional data and necessary forms.

The District Foundation will provide and present a certificate denoting the occasion to the clubs and individuals when the first installment is received.

Let’s get behind this necessary financial assistance for the Kamp now!

KPTC President Stan Thompson with his wife Jean get ready to enjoy the game.

Kamp Kiwanis of WEST SENeca Kiwanis, Niagara Frontier West Division – Club hosted the 6th annual Bill’s Charity Football Game at Ralph Wilson Stadium in Orchard Park, NY. Over 244 Kiwanians and their friends attended the event. They saw the 2-6 Buffalo Bills defeat the 6-1 New York Jets 22-17 in a hard fought game decided by the play of the Bill’s defense and the play of special teams, featuring a kickoff return for a touchdown by Terence McGee. This avenged Buffalo’s only defeat during a Kiwanis Day Game back on Oct. 7th, 2001 when the Jets beat the Bills in a rain storm as well as a Bill’s loss to the Jets 14-16 earlier this year in New York.

West Seneca was honored by the presence of newly elected Governor Glenn Hollins who brought his brother, Ron, to the game from Patchogue, Long Island.

Many other dignitaries were in attendance. They included: PG Tom DeJulio and PG Peter Marcusco, PG Justin Underwood, DPG Pat Cooney, DPG Jim Yochum, DPG Joe Eppolito, PG Sue Ganey, and Foundation President Lindy Marrazzo, Jr. and Vice President Sal Anelli, both who joined us from Staten Island. Other Foundation Board Members included: Steve Eisman, Joe Battista, Marty and Maureen Neuringer (ESK editor). DPLG Joe and DPLG Nydia Corace also joined us from downstate, as well as, Key Club Administrator Judge Rosenthal, and LISC DPLG Tom Gallagher.

At least 31 clubs were represented throughout New York State, including Bob Stocum’s group from Dryden; Roger Goodspeed’s group from Middletown and Fritz Kirchner’s group from Roscoe; Don Ciota’s guests from Mount Vernon Club; Rich Fancher’s group from the Ogdensburg Club and Gen McLaughlin’s group from nearby Potsdam; Ed Hayes group from Auburn and Joe Eppolito’s group from Liverpool; Wayne Durant’s group from Massena; Kevin Johnson’s group from Albany and Tom Murphy’s group from nearby Glen Falls. We also had guests of Larry Jones from Toronto, ON, and Houston, TX. This was our largest turnout in terms of both numbers of clubs attending and numbers of participants. Our departing Camp Director, Nancy Novak, was in attendance, and she will be missed. We wish her well in her new endeavors.

At the pre-game tailgate party, everyone enjoyed the food and drinks. There were plenty of both and no one went away hungry. The party started with a stirring rendition by the late Ray Charles of “America the Beautiful” to honor America and our fire-fighters, policemen, and servicemen. This was followed by a beautiful rendition of “Amazing Grace” played on her bagpipes by our own Margaret McLaughlin, in memory of departed Kiwanians and their loved ones as well as those lost defending our country this past year. Reverend LG Ken Bell then gave the blessing before the food was served. This will probably be Ken Bell’s last Kiwanis game as he and his lovely wife will be moving west back to the state of Washington. We also wish him the very best, and like Nancy Novak, he will be missed.

They had a wonderful time with the raffle and Chinese Auction netting the winners some neat prizes including autographed footballs by TV Analyst Don Criqui, rookie

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