**Governor Participates in Unsung Hero Event**

The Kiwanis Club of WANTAGH, Long Island South Central Division – “Unsung Hero” Day is a part of the mentoring program in the Wantagh school district. Selected 7th and 8th grade boys participate with a panel of “unsung heroes” and become exposed to several different career possibilities.

Each panelist describes his or her vocation, the training or education required, and then the panelists answer questions from the students. Approximately 30 young men attended.

![Panelists with students](image)

**HAPPY KIWANIS COUPLE TO WED**

Happy Kiwanis Couple to Wed

New York District First Lady Debra Fuchs happily accepts Governor David’s marriage proposal. The beautiful couple cuddles whenever the schedules permits.

![Happy Couple](image)

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**Governor**

**David Rothman**

What an exciting time of the year. Flowers are blooming and Kiwanis is growing. We recently held the charter night of our first new club of the year, Cambridge Valley in the Van Renselaer Division. We have several clubs in the development stage and I would like to thank the members of the T.A.G, team for all their help in building and rebuilding our clubs, and especially the efforts of all those involved in the launch of Cambridge Valley.

As the seasons were changing, we held a wonderful Mid Winter Conference. Many new ideas were exchanged and our own International Trustee Tom DeJuli provided a vision of the Kiwanis of the future. We held several new workshops and introduced a fundraiser to our conference. I would like to thank the host committee and the district chairs for making the conference a success. A special thanks to our guest speaker, Kiwanian Nancy Kostolac who provided us with an inspirational talk about Mentoring with the services of Big Brothers Big Sisters.

As part of our kick off to the International Convention in Montreal, we held a wine and food tasting session. We sampled some of the items that we might find in the Montreal areas bistro’s. Our guest chef, Jennifer Stoker, was from the Culinary Institute of Hyde Park and our wine master Randy Maduras, was from the Brotherhood Winery of Washingtonville. The Brotherhood Winery is the oldest winery in the United States.

International Registration Forms have been sent to Kiwanis members and are also available on line <www.kiwanis.org>. Montreal is easily accessible from all parts of our great district. We are currently planning a District breakfast to be held during the convention. First Lady Debra and I are looking forward to greeting each and everyone of you at the Convention.

The District has received several Governors and Partners Project report forms to date. I know that many more clubs have completed service projects. Please get your reports in soon so that you may get the recognition that your club deserves.

Recently, we attended the Key Club and Circle K Conventions and had a wonderful time at both. I would like to congratulate our outgoing Governor Kristin and Governor Helen and their boards for an outstanding year of service. As always, our New York District Key Club Administrator Andy Lowenberg and Assistant Administrators Bob Cummo, Judge Bob Rosenthal, Jim Farrell and David Vai, as well as the Committee Representative did a fabulous job on the Key Club Convention. I also extend our thanks to Circle K Administrator John Keegan and Assistant Administrators Rich Hall, Greg Faulkner and Alison Mandel for all their hard work making Circle K Convention a successful event.

In addition, I extend our continued support to our new Key Club Governor Joe and Circle

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**2004-2005 Distinguished Lt. Governors**

**Governor’s Citation 50%**

Rocco Riti – Bronx Westchester South
Salvatore Mazzaro – Brooklyn
Duane Niemi – Central
Mimi Melegrito – Chemung
Raymond Pfeiffer – Finger Lakes
H. Joanne Underwood – Genesee
Aileen Halchak – Hudson River West
Richard Fancher – Saint Lawrence
Gwendolyn King – Queens East
Jean Andrick – Van Rensselaer
Virginia Eppolito – Ontario
Gwendolyn King – Queens East
Eric Shinnaman – Queens West
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Gina Doerler – Suffolk East
Jean Andrick – Van Rensselaer

Outstanding Leadership -40%

James McGrath – Niagara Frontier West
Marie Lewis – Southwestern

Outstanding Performance – 35%

Raymond Scully – Hudson Tri-County

Honorable Mention – 25%

Raymond Radel – Hudson River
James Whittaker – Susquehanna

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