2006 – 2007 Achievement Awards

YOUNG CHILDREN PRIORITY ONE

CORAL
Peloton Kiwanis Club
Southwestern Division
Activity Packs for Young children in Hospital emergency rooms

EMERALD
Hartdale Kiwanis Club
Bronx-Westchester South Division
Pediatric Trauma – Raising awareness and money for pediatric trauma kits

RUBY
Five Towns Kiwanis Club
Long Island Southwest Division
Toy Drive for Five Towns Child Care Center

DIAMOND
East Meadow Kiwanis
Long Island South Central Division
Pediatric Wards - Improved conditions in two local hospitals

YOUTH SERVICE

CORAL
NUMC
Long Island South Central Division
Teddy Bear Day - Children from community brought bears for mock hospitalization

EMERALD
Central Adirondack-Old Forge
Central Division
Central Community Youth Ct - Raised funds to open year round center

RUBY
Minisink Valley Kiwanis
Hudson River West Division
“Not One More” - Program to identify realities of speed, drugs and alcohol for teenage drivers

DIAMOND
Webster Kiwanis Club
Finger Lakes Division
Community Ctr. - Maintain Filed house and provide free of charge for youth groups and summer camp for visually impaired

PUBLIC & BUSINESS AFFAIRS

CORAL
Rockaways
Queens West Division
Career Day - Speakers from all walks of life to inspire for future careers

EMERALD
Jamestown
Southwestern Division
AMBA Blood - Blood testing for community at reasonable cost

RUBY
New Scotland
Capital Division
Youth Sports - Raise money for and sponsor youth sports teams

DIAMOND
Elmira
Chenango Division
Clean-up - sponsored the entire Downtown Clean up Event

CITIZENSHIP

CORAL
Jamaica
Queens East Division
Gifts for Soldiers - Partnered with Girl Scout to make gift envelopes for soldiers in Iraq

EMERALD
Lakeshore-Rochester
Finger Lakes Division
Law & Order Day - Honor over 100 Police officers and firemen at a luncheon for their service

RUBY
Maspeth
Queens West Division
Law Day - Through presentations from elected and law enforcement of the community to students they learn about law and civics

DIAMOND
Glens Falls
Mohawk Division
Medical Supplies and toys and money to Pediatric Burn Center in Iraq

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

CORAL
Plattsburgh Breakfast
Adirondack Division
Mission of Hope to raise funds for a home in Nicaragua

DIAMOND
Canandaigua
Finger Lakes Division
World Link - Ukraine
Kiwanis Club of Kiev
East Meadow
Long Island South Central Division
World Link - Kazakhstan
Kiwanis Club Philippines
Webster
Finger Lakes
World Link- Nigeria + 1
Kiwanis Club of Aba

SUPPORT OF SPIRITUAL AIDS

CORAL
Three Villages
Suffolk East Division
Soup Kitchen

EMERALD
Farmington-Victor
Finger Lakes Division
Rel. Appreciation Church Pantries

RUBY
Castleton-on-Hudson
Van Rensselaer Division
Clergy Recognition

Maspeth Installs New Officers

Kiwanis Club of MASPETH, Queens West division – LT. Governor Angelo Maltafghati was proud to install and pin incoming 60th president of the club Marie Breslin. Ms. Breslin of O’Kane Real-estate a active member since 1988 and has received the distinguished member award on several occasions.

Also installed during the evening was President Elect J.P. Di Troia of Fresh Pond Crematory and Columbarium, along with Vice President Nunzio J. Russo of Grand Processing Service. To show support for this great club the Glendale Kiwanis Club and Jefferson Liberty Kiwanis club were in attendance.

The Kiwanis Club of Maspeth has served the community for the last 60 years by providing fund raisers which include: Kiwanis Auctions, an annual Pancake Breakfast, Flea Markets and annual raffles. Proceeds from these events are used to support community programs like: Law Day (May) • Participation in the Maspeth Memorial Day Parade (May) • Grand Avenue Street Festival (June) • Key Club and Builders Club barbecue (June) • Scholarship Awards (June) • Kampus Kiwanis (July) • Holiday Food Baskets (November) • Children’s Christmas Party (December) • Maspeth Self-Help Senior Center • Builders Clubs at IS73 and IS5 • K-Kids Club at PS229 • Key Clubs at Martin Luther High School and Forest Hills High School • Circle K Club at St. John’s University • Sports Activity Programs and • An Anti-Graffiti Program.

President Marie Breslin and LG Anglo Maltafghati.

Happy 90th Birthday, NYD!

On September 27, 1918, soon after enabling legislation was adopted at the 1918 Providence, R.I. convention of Kiwanis International, at a meeting of delegates from the then existing nine Kiwanis Clubs in the New York State - Rochester, Lockport, Buffalo, Syracuse, Albany, Utica, Troy, Binghamton, and New York City – the NYD of Kiwanis International was officially organized. That makes 2008 our District’s 90th Anniversary Year!

Not many individuals or even organizations reach four score and ten, so we should again take note, even if only briefly, and celebrate our great district and some of its many contributions to Kiwanis International.

Even before the formation of our district, New York State Kiwanians played major roles in the birth and gestation of the fledgling Kiwanis organization: Allan S. Brown, “National Organizer”; George F. Hixson, the first International President (1916-1917); and Albert Dodge, the first International Secretary were all New Yorkers. On November 1, 1916, less than two years after the first Kiwanis Club was formed in Detroit, Michigan, our Buffalo Club sponsored and Allan Browne organized a new club in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, adding the “International” to Kiwanis. In February 1917, the first International Magazine was published and edited in Buffalo and printed in Rochester.

At that 1918 “convention” in Syracuse, the delegates elected Clarence A. Nelson from Utica our first District Governor. He was followed by 89 other dedicated Kiwanis leaders who proudly and with distinction led the district as governors. Of those, ten went on to serve Kiwanis International as International Board Members: Seven as Trustees (including our own Tom DeJulio whose anticipated campaign and election as Vice President and then International President we eagerly await, two as Vice President, and finally two as President and Chief Executive Officer of the worldwide organization (you’re truly in 1987-88, and Jerry Christianso in 1996-97). In 1922, the seminal work on the six Objects of Kiwanis, still unchanged since their adoption in 1924, was done by Buffalo’s Lewis Mitchell, our District Governor in 1923, Poughkeepsie’s Walter O’Lloyd, our 1924 Governor, and George Ross from Toronto, Canada.

Scores of other distinguished New Yorkers have served Kiwanis International as important committee chairs and members as well as Key Club international and Circle K International Presidents and leaders.

Also noteworthy, our New York District has hosted (only) two of Kiwanis International’s 93 conventions, both in New York City, in 1953 and 1965, the latter our Golden Anniversary convention, attended by over 18000 persons, the third largest convention ever. (Rhetorical question: isn’t it long past time for another New York District – hosted International convention continued on Page 15.