Long Island South Central Promotes Kiwanis Car Ribbon Magnet Program

LONG ISLAND SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION – clubs began a new fundraising effort, the “Kiwanis Car Ribbon Magnet Program.” Levittown sold out of the Kiwanis Car Ribbon Magnets within two weeks and raised $500, then quickly reordered the magnets.

The program works on many levels. Clubs are able to do fundraising, and as an added bonus, they get the Kiwanis name out there in our communities. 250 cars in their neighborhood now have Kiwanis proudly displayed on the cars.

Also participating are the Uniondale, West Hempstead and Franklin Square Clubs.

At the 2005 Mid-Winter Conference this past winter, the Kiwanis Car Ribbon Magnets were a big hit. Lt. Governors were excited to bring a sample back to show to their clubs.

If you are interested in finding out more about the program, please contact Tony Genova. His ad is in our Business Service Directory on page 18. What a great way to fund raise while getting the Kiwanis name out into our community!

Levittown Kiwanians Honored By Alzheimer's Association of Long Is.

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Each year the Alzheimer’s Association holds a Memory Walk as a fundraiser. Last year the association raised $117,000, with $5,000 of the that coming from Kiwanis alone. In addition, Kiwanis helped with staffing the event, setting up, flipping burg-

ers, handing out t-shirts and more.

According to Ragona, with the assistance of the money earned by Kiwanis and other contributors, the association was able to open a Family Care Center in October. The Family Center, located at North Shore LIJ, performs clinical reviews at no cost to the families. Proceeds from the annual walk made this center a reality for the Alzheimer’s Association.

Long Beach Kiwanian Gets Terrific Kids Program Off the Ground

The Kiwanis Club of LONG BEACH, Long Island Southwest Division – After two and a half years of persistence and hard work Distinguished Past Secretary and Terrific Kids Chair Sid Weinberg was able to institute this valuable program at the Long Beach Elementary School.

After some lengthy interviews Weinberg received the Long Beach School’s official approval. Amy Leder, Long Beach School counselor has been a big plus in getting the program going. Next month the club plans to present “Terrific Buttons” to some really terrific kids.

LISC Kiwanians Hold Health Fair

The Long Beach Elementary School children hold up the “Terrific Kids” bumper stickers provided by Long Beach Kiwanis Club.

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This year’s Memory Walk, which the Levittown Kiwanis Club will again be participating in, is going to be held at Old Bethpage Restoration Village on September 24th. It will include a Fall Festival with more attractions for the whole family. In addition to discussing the association’s past and future events and programs, Ragona presented an award to the Levittown Kiwanis Club for their assistance, specifically members Mauro Cassano and Steve Haller, who have provided much support to the Alzheimer’s Association of Long Island.

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book is a special way to celebrate our diversity and use our resources to help children. We look forward to having fun and fellowship in the beautiful state of Hawaii.

As you will notice throughout the ESK, planning for our District Convention in August is well underway. We have rooms in the Binghamton Regency, with a spill over in the Holiday Inn. On-to-Convention Chair Pete Papastrat and his committee have worked hard planning additional events for an interesting weekend. Enjoy “A Day At The Wineries” on Thursday, August 18th, as well as our annual “Past Governors Memorial Golf Classic.” “The Binghamton Mets vs the Trenton Yankees” baseball game will be played on Friday, August 19th. See details on pages 16 & 18. Executive Assistant Joe Corace is planning interesting forums for our convention. Contact Joe (917 282-9498) if you would like to be part of the new “service” and “fundraising ideas” forums, or have any other ideas about the forums you would like to see.

Let’s all have a safe and fun-filled summer doing Kiwanis work.

East Meadow VP Dr. Stephen Perrick, East Meadow President Jay Steinmetz, Dr. Janine Kelly, Nassau County Medical Center Secretary Carla Vultaggio, RN, LISC LG Sharon Smith and Nassau County Medical Center Club Treasurer Janet St. John all take part in this successful event.