The Hoosick Falls Club, Van Rensselaer Division became the proud parent of the newest NYD Kiwanis Club – Cambridge Valley. The club was chartered on March 11, 2006, at a dinner in Cambridge at Sardo’s Restaurant. Governor David Rothman presented the club’s charter to new President Katie Kerr. Pictured above: Governor David and Charter President Katie Kerr surrounded by charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Cambridge Valley. NYD Kiwanian send congratulations to all and best wishes for much success!

This past May, Kiwanians who were present for the Kamp Work Weekend were wowed by the comments of Kiwanis International President Stephen Siemens. Steve captivated his audience with his quick wit and interesting presentation about the future of Kiwanis.

When all was said and done, everyone was certain one million members is definitely a goal we can achieve. “Together We Can.”
Kiwanians by now you have already signed up for the International Convention in Montreal. The New York Headquarters hotel is the beautiful Delta Centreville. All the New York events have taken place on Friday June, 30, starting with a special New York District Breakfast at 7:00 am, followed by a District caucus at 8:00 am, and the District Board meeting at 9:00 am. I’m sure that everyone enjoyed the Convention. I will update you about the many items that were discussed and voted on in the Delegate sessions in my next column. There were two considerations for attending Kiwanian: (1) to be a voting delegate you must have been elected a delegate by your Club (each Club is allowed two delegates), and the forms stating your election must have been submitted to Kiwanis International. (2) your Clubs dues and any other financial obligations must be paid in full before delegate credentials will be issued at the Convention. Remember that delegates needed two (2) forms of I.D. a driver’s license and one other. You may have not been asked to show both, but if you were asked should have had them on hand.

The District Convention will be coming up on us soon. The District Convention will be held in Saratoga Springs on September 8-10. There will be an issue of this paper in early August which will give the agenda for that Convention. Save the dates and join all your friends and fellow Kiwanian in Saratoga.

We looked to be on track with the number of Kiwanian to Kiwanis International. So far 8,224 Kiwanian have paid their dues for this year. Some Clubs are still in the process of paying dues, but it looks as if we will be close to our budgeted number of 8,800. This is good but we still need to grow if we are to get to one million members by 2015. We must all do more in recruiting and retaining members. Your TAG team members are available to help. Call them or call me here at the District Office for help. Let’s put on a big push as we begin our summer activities.

**BWS Hosts Governor and First Lady**

The Kiwanis Club of Bronx Westchester South Division - held their annual Governor’s visit this past March. Gov. David Rothman and First Lady Debra Fuchs arrived at the Lake Isle Country Club in Eastchester and were received by more than a hundred Kiwanian. There was great fun as DJ and talented Kiwanian James Johnson (Kings Plaza Canaries’ newest member) kept everyone on their feet dancing. MC and DPLG Dr. Rosemary DeJulio adeptly led the program through the welcoming and introduction of guests, NYS Past Gov. and INTL Trustee Thomas E. DeJulio recognized the members of the Legion of Merit and the Legion of Honor with pins and certificates.

The Legion of Honor was presented to PLG Rocco Riti of Yonkers Kiwanian, and PLG Joseph Wuest of Morris Park for 25 years; to Peter Gallo of Mount Vernon, Gerald Langlois of Parkchester, PLG Pat Pleniza of Bronx Shore, and to PLG Ron Volino of Eastchester for 20 years; to Anthony DeBellis of Fordham University, and to PLG Daniel Illich of Parkchester for 35 years; to Angelo Frascino of East Yonkers, PLG Robert Rubinstein of Riverdale, and Past Governor Ralph Vasami of Yonkers (all for 40 years); and to Joseph Torrisi of Mount Vernon for 45 years.

The Legion of Merit was awarded to Bronx Shore members Michael Marinaccio (20 years), Mario DiGiorgio, Angelo Milone, and Dr. DPLG Ciota Takes Penguin Plunge

MONTREAL

95th Annual Kiwanis International Convention June 30 - July 4, 2006

www.kiwanis.org

**DPLG Ciota Takes Penguin Plunge**

The Kiwanis Club of MOUNT VERNON, Bronx Westchester South Division, with Chair of Special Olympics DPLG Don Ciota of Mount Vernon Club took an icy dip into the Long Island Sound to support the Penguin Plunge. There were a hundred participants in the annual February event which raised $100,000 for Special Olympics.

**BWS Westchester South LG Jack Glazier and First Lady Ellen present gifts to Gov. David and First Lady Debra.**

David Stevens (all for 10 years); to East Yonkers members Joan Ronson (10 years), Palmia and Victoria Volino (both for 5 years); to Fordham University members Dr. Georgina Arendacs, Biswa Bhowmick, DPLG Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, Stephanie Mulderhee (all for 15 years), and PLG Sr. Anne Marie Kirmse (15 years); to Morris Park members Suzanne Willis (15 years), Claudia White (10 years), and Lucille Debellis (5 years); to Morris Park members LG designate Dennis Rosa and Pasquale Marchese (both for 20 years), to Mount Vernon members PLG Donald Ciota (10 years); and to Weston Village members Virginia Wuest (15 years), PLG Angela Politaro and Rosemary Pila (both for 10 years). Continued on Page 3

For my team of guests and assistants, thanks and partners, thank you for doing your part. For our team of guests and assistants, thanks for doing what you do best. At Orientation, we set up some plans and spoke of some of the projects we will do, and the fun we will have doing them.

Once again, if you want to help on a District Level, please call me at 917-282-9488. Give me the opportunity to let you see for yourself “What a great time it is to be a Kiwanian!”

Elmont President’s Son Needs Help

I am passing along the request from Mary Nori, wife of Elmont Pres., Bob Nori, whose son Matthew needs a bone marrow transplant – so if you know of anyone who might be willing to test for their son, I am sure Mary and Bob will be eternally grateful.

Dear family and friends,

There are still many of you who have not been tested to see if you are a match for Matthew. Those of you who have been tested, please pass this information along to anyone you know might be interested. There were 100 bone marrow drives on May 12th, 13th and 14th nationally. Please go to: <www.marrow.org/NEWS/ARTICLES> site to read more about it. Please consider getting tested, so that when the time comes, God willing, we will find a match for him. If any of you find out about additional testing, please let me know. I want you all to keep in mind that until 6 years ago, we never thought we would need to care about people getting tested. In the blink of an eye, anyone of us can find out that we need, or a family member needs, or God forbid, our child needs a bone marrow transplant. And when that time comes, you pray people will care enough to help you save someone you love. Well today, it is our family who needs people to care. Going to get tested may take a little time out of our busy days, but if you’re the lucky one, you could be the one who saves someone’s life. – Thanks, Mary
Kiwanis Club of PATCHOQUE, Suffolk East Division – In a bold step forward to help prevent some very common and disabling childhood illnesses, Patchoque Kiwanis, with the Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center Emergency Room Nurses, and Suffolk County Department of Health Services, have joined together in a life saving partnership.

This past year, PG Glenn Hollins Governor’s Project was “Child Safety.” “I was very deeply concerned about children becoming sick or injured from things that are 100% preventable,” said PG Hollins. “As I checked into it further, I became aware that a lot of kids visit the Emergency Rooms of hospitals with illnesses that are caused by other people’s smoking. The public may not be aware of this, secondhand smoke is a cause of many very serious illnesses, even death in children,” Hollins said.

In what has proven to be a unique and cutting edge approach to a much needed medical intervention, PG Hollins created a committee of dedicated Kiwanian to create an initiative that would address those sick children, their parents, and caregivers when they are seen in emergency rooms.

Committee Co-Chair Walter Ladick, Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of Monticello, Hudson River West Division – At a recent Divisional Meeting, two members of the Monticello Kiwanis Club received the prestigious Hixson Fellowship Award. The recipients were: Past Lieutenant Governor William Lane, a devoted and outstanding member for over 25 years, and President Rose Raimond, also a devoted and outstanding member for over 12 years. Rose was Kiwanian of the Year twice.

Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center, and Patchoque member, along with committee members, worked together to reach out to local hospitals, and emergency room nurses to help with the project. A work book, created by Patricia Bishop-Kelly of Suffolk County Department of Health Services’ Office of Health Education, will be distributed to children when they are seen in Emergency rooms with illnesses that are created or made worse by exposure to secondhand smoke.

“Kiwanis will provide free training and the workbooks to any Suffolk County hospital Emergency Department that wishes to participate in the project,” said1. Richard T. Margulis, Vice President of Operations for Brookhaven Hospital Medical Center.

The Kiwanis Club of MONTICELLO, Hudson River, Suffolk County – At the February 19th meeting of the Club, the Monticello Club received the prestigious Hixson Fellowship Award. The recipients were: Past Lieutenant Governor William Lane, a devoted and outstanding member for over 25 years, and President Rose Raimond, also a devoted and outstanding member for over 12 years. Rose was Kiwanian of the Year twice.

Kiwanian of the Year twice.

**Bronx Westchester South Visit**

Continued from Page 2

**Left to right Legion of Honor Recipients:** DPLG Rocco Riti, PLG Dan Ilich, DPLG Pat Pilienza, PG Ralph Vasami, Gov. David Rothman, Int’l Trustee Thomas DeJulio, DPLG Ron Velino, Peter Gaito, Angelo Francino, PP Anthony DeBelliis (Mt. Vernon), LG Jack Glazier and PLG Bob Rubinstein. Special thanks to: Bronx Westchester South PR President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Trustee Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success. The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

Recently the New York District had the opportunity to host the official visit of our International President Stephen Siemens and his wife Barb. It was a busy weekend for our District. After picking up International President Stephen and Barb at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, we headed out to North Shore University Hospital on Long Island for a visit to the local Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The Center is one of five across our District. After an informative educational program and lunch, IP Steve and Barb prepared for a dinner hosted by many of the Long Island and neighboring divisions. After an enjoyable evening, IP Steve and Barb retired to the home of Past International President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Truste Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

Recently the New York District had the opportunity to host the official visit of our International President Stephen Siemens and his wife Barb. It was a busy weekend for our District. After picking up International President Stephen and Barb at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, we headed out to North Shore University Hospital on Long Island for a visit to the local Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The Center is one of five across our District. After an informative educational program and lunch, IP Steve and Barb prepared for a dinner hosted by many of the Long Island and neighboring divisions. After an enjoyable evening, IP Steve and Barb retired to the home of Past International President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Trustee Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success. The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

Recently the New York District had the opportunity to host the official visit of our International President Stephen Siemens and his wife Barb. It was a busy weekend for our District. After picking up International President Stephen and Barb at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, we headed out to North Shore University Hospital on Long Island for a visit to the local Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The Center is one of five across our District. After an informative educational program and lunch, IP Steve and Barb prepared for a dinner hosted by many of the Long Island and neighboring divisions. After an enjoyable evening, IP Steve and Barb retired to the home of Past International President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Trustee Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

Recently the New York District had the opportunity to host the official visit of our International President Stephen Siemens and his wife Barb. It was a busy weekend for our District. After picking up International President Stephen and Barb at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, we headed out to North Shore University Hospital on Long Island for a visit to the local Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The Center is one of five across our District. After an informative educational program and lunch, IP Steve and Barb prepared for a dinner hosted by many of the Long Island and neighboring divisions. After an enjoyable evening, IP Steve and Barb retired to the home of Past International President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Trustee Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.

Recently the New York District had the opportunity to host the official visit of our International President Stephen Siemens and his wife Barb. It was a busy weekend for our District. After picking up International President Stephen and Barb at LaGuardia Airport, Queens, New York, we headed out to North Shore University Hospital on Long Island for a visit to the local Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The Center is one of five across our District. After an informative educational program and lunch, IP Steve and Barb prepared for a dinner hosted by many of the Long Island and neighboring divisions. After an enjoyable evening, IP Steve and Barb retired to the home of Past International President Tony and Mim Kaiser. I want to thank our International Trustee Tom DeJulio, PP Tony and Mim Kaiser, SDFLG Mickie Leamey, SDFLG Tom Gallagher and his daughter Lindsey, DPLG Janey Snyder and everyone else that helped make this part of the visit such a huge success.

The next morning, the IP Stephen and Barb, 1st Lt. Governor Robert Ferringer, DPLG Jim Paduchowski, SDPLG Lindy Marrazzo and everyone else that helped make the visit a success.
Suffolk East Proud to Support First Lady’s Project

The Suffolk East Division recently held an Annual Division Project where they hosted a day at the Long Island Game Farm for the physically and mentally disabled. This year they hosted the event for over 300 individuals from AHRC, IGH, and Mary Haven.

Kiwanian’s from the 11 Clubs that make up the Suffolk East Division spent the day with guests and escorted them throughout the Long Island Game Farm. They stopped to visit the various animals and enjoyed the “The Big Cat Show.” It is always a big hit with the guests. To cap off the day, Kiwanian served lunch and provided ice cream for all in attendance.

Gov. David and First Lady Debra joined Suffolk East this year as they participated on this very worthwhile “hands on project.” The Suffolk East Division was very happy to help support First Lady Debra’s Partner’s Project by focusing their efforts on the needs of disabled children and adults.

Immediately following the events at the LJ Game Farm the Suffolk East Division and LG Frank P. Vorno, Jr. and his lovely wife Phyllis, hosted the Governor’s Visit for Gov. David and First Lady Debra. The event was held at the home of DPLG Ronald “Butch” Sprydhorn.

Food, drink, music and entertainment were not in short supply as they welcomed in the Gov. and First Lady. The NY District was well represented with members from all over attending including Gov. Elect Joe Corace and Nydia, Suffolk East’s IPG Glenn Hollins, K-Kids Administrator Mickey Leamey and TAG Team and Public Relations Chair Janice Seyfried. Everyone had a great time welcoming the Governor and First Lady to the Suffolk East.

Dual Kiwanis 50-Year Honors Awarded to Donald “Pete” Napier

Kiwanis Club of SOLVAY-GEDDES-CAMILIUS, Ontario Division – Donald “Pete” Napier of Camillus, was presented plaques for 50 years of Kiwanis Perfect Attendance and the Kiwanis 50-Year Legion of Honors Award by President Rita Brigman of Solvay-Geddes-Camillus Kiwanis Club, and Ontario Division Lieutenant Governor Ronald Kern, at right. “Pete”, a native of Camillus, joined the Solvay-Geddes-Camillus Kiwanis Club in 1955. A graduate of Camillus High School, he is a World War II veteran of Army Service in the European Theatre. In civilian life, he has been a town justice, active with the

Republican Party, and was associated with the Syracuse newspapers before becoming the director of the Onondaga County War Memorial for many years.

Active with the Army Reserves after the close of World War II, he is a member of the American Legion and VFW, and still maintains close contact with other veterans of his overseas Army unit. He is active with the Masons and the Shriners, as well as a long-time member of Methodist Churches in the Camillus area, and other community groups.

Since his retirement as War Memorial director, he has been a winter resident of Florida and summer resident of the Camillus area, and maintains his Perfect Attendance record at local Kiwanis clubs in both areas.

Rothman

Continued from Page 3

Kiwanis in the year 2015, when we will be celebrating 100 years of service – where we will have 1 million members worldwide. A Kiwanis, as the go to organization, who serves the needs of communities around the world. A Kiwanian brings Kiwanis and Kiwanis education and training closer to every Kiwanian.

In a few weeks the Kamp season will begin at Kamp Kiwanis. Please make sure your applications are in. As part of the Governors Project sponsor a child to Kamp, and as part of the Partners Project sponsor a disabled child to Kamp. Registrations are now in for the International Convention in Montreal June 29-July 2. The District’s primary hotel was the Delta Centerville. We hosted a breakfast at the hotel on Friday, June 30th. The Convention ran one day less than years before, and we had limited time and money. It was a busy morning, the District Caucus and Board Meeting were held directly following the Breakfast. I will bring you up-to-date details in my next column.

Kamp Kiwanis is a wonderful event. It has come to my attention, as Debra and I travel the District, that many of you have completed the Governor’s and or the Partners’ Project, but have not reported it as of yet. Please make every effort to file the reports and receive the recognition that you deserve. Debra and I would love to thank everyone who has made this year so successful.

Lastly, I would like to welcome our newest Kiwanis Club to our District, the Kiwanis Club of Jamaica, Queens. I would like to thank DPLG Bill Ristbrook and the TAG team for their

Public Relations

Janice Seyfried

Now that the summer is upon us and our district convention nearing, it is time to evaluate our public relations avenues for the year. Use the following checklist to see what still needs to be accomplished:

“One Can Make a Difference” campaign

Use of Graphic Toolkit

Internal PR – E. S. K. and the New York District Website

Club Newsletter

Scrapbook

PR Award

“One Can Make a Difference” campaign - The campaign has PSAs (Public Service Announcements) which emphasize the influence Kiwanis has on young lives. One person can make a difference. The campaign encompasses radio, television, print, and outdoor ads that focus on four themes: shelter, food, literacy, and music. A sample press release for the Kiwanis Public Service Campaign to Make a World of Difference can be downloaded from Ki website -(labeled "marketing/pr public service announcement scripts"). This release can be customized to fit your local area. International President Steve Siemens says “This campaign is just one way we aim to shed light on the amazing efforts made by Kiwanian men and women worldwide who continue to improve the lives of the world’s children.”

The new Graphic Toolkit has examples of the typefaces to be used, logo use, a DVD with photos and PSAs and stationery templates. It has been sent to all clubs and was also distributed at the Mid-Winter. If you did not receive a copy, it can be ordered from the International website www.kiwanis.org/pr/marketing.

Send your ESK Submission Form with photos and additional event descriptions to Maureen Neuringer, ESK Editor at <nykiwesk@aol.com>.

Send your club/division information to NYD Webmaster Marty Toombs at <marty@toombs.com>. If your club or division has its own website, send Marty the link so it can be added to the district’s website. Kiwanis-branded web templates are now available for website construction from Kiwanis International - this web forms to the graphic standards set forth in the Graphics toolkit. Kiwanis International Web developer Steve Werner says that the Kiwanis Club Web Site Templates Version 2.0 is a true upgrade to the old Web site templates. The new templates are easier to add new content and make modifications of the layout. Don’t forget, however, once you have used the templates that the link for your website should be given to the District webmaster for inclusion on the New York District website.

The club newsletter/bulletin contest criteria and award form are available on the district’s website www.kiwanis-ny.org and can be downloaded. The contest applications are due at the District Convention.

Continued on Page 5
Metropolitan DPLG George Dorry Honored for Fifty Years of Kiwanis Dedicated Service

Underwood Honored for Service to the Kiwanis Genesee Division

Young Pros Host Czech/Slovakia

New Member Orientation

Seyfried

IMPERIAL DIVISION — Recently gathered their membership to honor their Distinguished Past Lt. Governor George Dorry. George, a 50 year Kiwanian member, withstood a “fun” ribbing from his fellow Metropolitan members.

In a spirit of Kiwanis fun and a little roasting, DPLG Al Federico insisted that George and he are twin brothers. DPLG Steve Saletto mentioned that George joined Kiwanis “before I was born.” George was teased that they had to bring a stethoscope to check him, before he could assume the Lt. Governor position. “George is so old his social security number is 7.” “George is so old, that history was current when he began in Kiwanis,” added DPLG Mike Assenso.

George received many accolades from Foundation President Lindy Mazzarro and Lt. Governor Fran Hogan for his support of the Metropolitan Division and the children Kiwanis serves. He was especially thanked for his generous donations and continued support of Kamp Kiwanis.

Alex Inserra, owner of the Renaissance Catering Hall, where many events are held, offered a genuine message of thanks to George for “standing out as a mentor” and for being a “good friend to all.” George and Diane were deeply moved by the tribute. They both look forward to continuing their good works.

Photo left: DPLG Al Federico, Foundation President Lindy Marrazzo, DPLG Steve Saletto, Honoree DPLG George Dorry, Richmond County President and MC Glen Mancuso, Captain Steve Carroll, Lt. Gov. Fran Hogan and DPLG Mike Assenso.

Governor Fran Hogan of the Metropolitan Division with his lovely wife Diane.

50 Year member DPLG George Dorry, Metropolitan Division with his lovely wife Diane.

Governor Fry Hogan for his support of the Metropolitan Division and the children Kiwanis serves. He was especially thanked for his generous donations and continued support of Kamp Kiwanis.

Alex Inserra, owner of the Renaissance Catering Hall, where many events are held, offered a genuine message of thanks to George for “standing out as a mentor” and for being a “good friend to all.” George and Diane were deeply moved by the tribute. They both look forward to continuing their good works.

Photo left: DPLG Al Federico, Foundation President Lindy Marrazzo, DPLG Steve Saletto, Honoree DPLG George Dorry, Richmond County President and MC Glen Mancuso, Captain Steve Carroll, Lt. Gov. Fran Hogan and DPLG Mike Assenso.

Underwood Honored for Service to the Kiwanis Genesee Division

The Kiwanis Club of GATES GREECE and the GENESSEE DIVISION — recently held a testimonial dinner to honor LG Joanne Underwood for a year of dedicated service to Kiwanis. The event was held at the beautiful Diplomat Party House where over 100 Kiwanian gathered to pay tribute to Joanne for her year of dedicated service.

Photo above: Gates-Greece Pres. Ann Weinstein presents LG Joanne Underwood a scrapbook to commemorate her great work. Photo Right: Red Hat Lady incoming Lt. Governor Ann Holevinski congratulates Joanne and comments that she only hopes to have as good a year during her time in office.

Young Pros Host Czech/Slovakia

Kiwanis Club of NYC Young Professionals. Metropolitan Division — recently had a special guest from the Kiwanis District of Czech Republic and Slovakia, Governor Elect Jiri Horecky. Horecky specializes in founding KiwaJunior clubs (similar to our Young Professionals) for his district.

Governor Elect Jiri Horecky accepts a Certificate of Appreciation from NYC Young Professional President Joseph Lim. Jiri brought a special liquid gift.

In 2005, Horecky was elected Governor 06/07. He commented, “the best part of being a Kiwanian is surely the work with children. I organize the summer camp every year and it’s always the best week in the summer.”

NYC Young Pro. President Joseph Lim thanked Jiri for an interesting presentation.

Young Pros Host Czech/Slovakia

Kiwanis Club of NYC Young Professionals. Metropolitan Division — recently had a special guest from the Kiwanis District of Czech Republic and Slovakia, Governor Elect Jiri Horecky. Horecky specializes in founding KiwaJunior clubs (similar to our Young Professionals) for his district.

Governor Elect Jiri Horecky accepts a Certificate of Appreciation from NYC Young Professional President Joseph Lim. Jiri brought a special liquid gift.

In 2005, Horecky was elected Governor 06/07. He commented, “the best part of being a Kiwanian is surely the work with children. I organize the summer camp every year and it’s always the best week in the summer.”

NYC Young Pro. President Joseph Lim thanked Jiri for an interesting presentation.

Did your club/division get the “Kiwanis Banner” yet – there are a few still available at the low price of $84. The vinyl banner is 8’ by 4’, white with blue lettering KIWANIS. There is a sleeve for a pole and also grommets for hanging of the banner. Send your inquiries to me at KiwanisPR@aol.com or JanSeyfried@verizon.net or call me at 516-826-6344. They can be delivered to you at the District Convention at no additional shipping cost.

Get the word out — use the defining statement whenever you can - “Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Proudly wear your pin – one never knows when a possible member will notice it and ask what it is. There is your opening! – See you at the Convention.
DO YOU WANT A WONDERFUL SERVICE PROJECT THAT CAN INVOLVE YOUR ENtIRE K-FAMILY AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY AT THE SAME TIME?

If the answer to this question is yes, read on.

Each year the Alzheimer’s Association hosts Memory Walks across the entire State of New York. On the day of the walk you can find Key Clubbers and Kiwanians working together handing out tee-shirts, cutting bagels, serving food, putting up sponsorship signs, and collecting pledges from K-Family donors. These K-Family volunteers either give a donation of money, volunteer their services, which is what Kiwanis is all about, or form a team of four or more people who have spon sors and they walk the walk.

All the money raised by the walk in your community stays in your community and helps the many support groups, care consulta tion, services and educational programs they offer to the patients and their families afflicted with this terrible disease.

Please use the contact information for the phone numbers (see right column) of the Alzheimer’s Association nearest your town and GET INVOLVED. Also check out the Memory Walk Schedule for your area. Thank you for helping me serve Kiwanis.

Owens
Continued from Page 5

presentation, you will be doing them a great service. You have to be convinced to con vince.

We did learn something in the past few years – life is short and things happen. Let something positive happen in your club. Hopefully, you will not be that President or leader who decided that there is still time for this. Another month will pass before you can schedule a proper evening. If every club in the District came forward with only two new members and only then, will the children of the world have a more vibrant and successful club. Then your club will flourish and you will have the result.

The answer to this question is yes, read on.

Each year the Alzheimer’s Association hosts Memory Walks across the entire State of New York. On the day of the walk you can find Key Clubbers and Kiwanians working together handing out tee-shirts, cutting bagels, serving food, putting up sponsorship signs, and collecting pledges from K-Family donors. These K-Family volunteers either give a donation of money, volunteer their services, which is what Kiwanis is all about, or form a team of four or more people who have sponsors and they walk the walk.

All the money raised by the walk in your community stays in your community and helps the many support groups, care consultation, services and educational programs they offer to the patients and their families afflicted with this terrible disease.

Please use the contact information for the phone numbers (see right column) of the Alzheimer’s Association nearest your town and GET INVOLVED. Also check out the Memory Walk Schedule for your area. Thank you for helping me serve Kiwanis.

Spring Valley Kiwanis Celebrates John Mackey’s 80th Birthday

Kiwanis Club of SPRING VALLEY, Hudson Tri-County Division – Board member John Mackey, otherwise known as Key Club Daddy, was honored with a gala celebration for his eightieth birthday. They had a birthday cake, flowers, and trick candles that wouldn’t blow out. At the Divisional in Elmsford, he was presented with a John Mackey Day Proclamation from the Rockland County Legislature in honor of both his birthday and his good works. John has knitted blankets for the First Lady Auction at Convention, attends Divisionals and Governor’s Visits, attends our meetings and makes most of the important Key Club fundraisers. He drives and is very spry for 80. John had a hard early life and is particularly drawn to Key Club and Kiwanis because of the many charitable activities undertaken by both groups. Generous to a fault, John is full of compassion for those having a hard time in life. He feels fortunate to have a happier existence now than in the past.

Fulton Kiwanis Presents Ziel Seabury Award

Kiwanis Club of FULTON, Ontario Division – Melanie Ziel, a Past Syracuse Kiwanis Club President and Ontario Division Lieutenant Governor, was presented the coveted Harry F. Seabury Award at a recent division meeting attended by Jim Schreck, Secretary of Fulton Kiwanis Club. The award, presented annually by Fulton Kiwanis Club to an outstanding Kiwanian, is named for Harry F. Seabury, a Past President of the Fulton Club, a Past Lieutenant Governor of the Ontario Division and Past Governor of the New York District Kiwanis. The purpose of the award is to honor a Kiwanian for outstanding activity in Kiwanis and community programs. The Fulton Club has presented the award annually for more than 20 years.

In addition to her Club and Division leadership, Miss Ziel has served as a chair of Children’s Miracle Network Breakfasts, a fundraiser for purchasing equipment for children’s hospitals.

She was also the On-To-Convention Co-Chair for the New York District annual Convention, held in Syracuse.

Hudson Tri-County DPLG Lenora McCabe and Key Club Daddy John Mackey.

Ithaca Club Presents Frank Hammer Award

Kiwanis Club of ITHACA, Chemung Division - Three Cornell University Police officers – Christopher O’Hara, Robert Payne, and Randy Bowman – are the recipients of the Frank Hammer Kiwanis Officer of the Month Award for March.

Ostrander, Director and Chief of Cornell Police, nominated the three for their outstanding work in disarming a highly agitated and aggressive man who was attempting to commit suicide with a loaded handgun near Rockefeller Hall on the night of December 27, 2005.

All three officers “displayed heroism and bravery above and beyond the call of duty, which involved a known and imminent risk to their lives, and they deliberately disregard ed this imminent risk,” Ostrander said.

Ostrander cited the officers’ ‘timely response, securing and stabilizing the scene, and [their] command presence – qualities that come with experience and training.” The officers’ actions reflect great credit upon themselves, Cornell University Police and Cornell University.

It is unusual for the monthly award to go to more than one officer, Ostrander said. Fifteen years ago, two Cornell Police officers shared one of the monthly awards, but Ostrander said this is the first time he can remember that 3 officers from any department received the award at the same time.

The Heritage Society is a planned giving program that benefits the International Kiwanis. It is a fund raising technique for Kiwanis International; such as Charitable Gift annuities, trusts, life insurance and such.

For the New York District, the current Heritage Society Membership totals 164 donations. The first two (2) joined in 1991, but most have joined since 2000. Four (4) donors have died form the New York District. Most of the members of the Heritage Society have donated a bequest in their wills or named the Foundation as beneficiary of their life insurance. No one from our district has a Charitable Gift Annuity with Kiwanis International.

There are no Charitable Remainder Trusts or other deferred planned gifts arrangements so think about this as you are planning for the future. Although, it is not unusual not to know about this, because most people do not contact Kiwanisan of things like this. So, if you are considering a gift such as this, please contact Kiwanis International to allow them to make plans.

The total membership of the Kiwanis International Foundation Heritage Society is 2504. Primarily all of these are from the United States because the U.S. has tax advantages through the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and a culture of giving at death, which is not present in all countries and cul tures represented by Kiwanis.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Heritage Society, please contact me and I will discuss this kind of giving with you.

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

Ontario PLG Melanie Ziel is presented the Harry F. Seabury Award for outstanding work in Kiwanis and the community by Fulton Secretary Jim Schreck.
Siemens Visits New York District

Kiwanis International’s President Stephen Siemens and First Lady Barbara Siemens visited New York District this past May. Their journey began in NYC with Governor David Rothman who escorted them on a tour of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center at North Shore Hospital. He was very impressed by the support and generous donations given to this important center for children.

Ki’s First Family was then treated to a special evening hosted by Long Island and vicinity Kiwanians. Int’l President Steve addressed the crowd with a warm and hopeful message for Kiwanian.

The next morning the Governor David, First Lady Debra and Key Club District Secretary Gabrelle flew with Int’l Pres. Steve and First Lady Barb to visit Kamp Kiwanis.

He was met by all the Kiwanian who were at Kamp to help at the traditional Kamp Kiwanis Work Weekend. Incoming Lt. Governors “Joes Heroes” were also in attendance to tour the Kamp and to hear the International President’s address.

International President Steve spoke to Kiwanian with humor and positive thinking for the future of Kiwanis. “Be ready to make mistakes,” Int’l President Steve urged. “That is where we make the most progress.” His personable nature and engaging speaking style makes his audience feel touched and motivated.

That evening the Governor and entourage headed to the upstate visit. They again were greeted and treated to a warm reception. The event was also a Visit for New York Gov. David and First Lady Debra, who were presented with many area gifts for their mementos. It was a special event for all.


 Clubs in attendance, as is tradition, presented gifts.

Governor David Rothman receives gifts and presents gifts during his Governor’s visit and the International President’s visit.

International President Steve addresses Kiwanian from the Long Island area.


KI First Lady Barb and Int’l Pres.. Steve enjoy dinner in Long Island area.

New York’s First Family with Kiwanis International’s First Family.

KIWANIS TREASURES (First in a Mini-Series):

Among my Kiwanis treasures is a sepia-tone copy of the very first Kiwanis international Magazine, The Kiwanis Club, the February 1917, Vol. 1, No. 1 Issue. It describes itself as “A Monthly Magazine Devoted to Kiwanis Interests.” For me, it qualifies as a treasure because of its extraordinary value as a Kiwanis history/education piece, and for the unique insights it provides into the clear, but ultimately mistaken vision, of Allen S. Browne, National Organizer of Kiwanis.

On the Dedication page of the magazine, Allen writes about the Golden Rule which he avers “lies at the foundation of the Christian religion and of Christian civilization...and held) a place of equal esteem among the Jews and among the followers of Confucius centuries before Christianity came into existence.” So far so good; they sounds, to our 21st century ears, fairly Kiwanis-like.

But Allen later continues, “The Golden rule, see in the light of good business and of sound business experience, is not altruism at all...It means: If you intend to stay in business and to turn your business to increasing profits, give the best possible service to everyone you agree of offer to serve.” And then the clincher: “The aim of the Kiwanis clubs is to promote business by multiplying the application of this fundamental principle of business conduct. The Kiwanis clubs are committed to the recognition of the Gold Rule as the basis of all business...they aim to ...make...profitable, American business to both the man who sells and the man who buys...It is to these ends that this magazine, devoted to the promotion of the Kiwanis club, dedicates itself to its initial number.”

Underscoring Allen Browne’s perception of the Kiwanis mission, the magazine also sets forth The Kiwanis Creed, “Service Brings Its Own Reward” which lists twelve principles of a Kiwanian’s philosophy—the first eleven of which clearly business-related, and only the twelfth: “To realize that I live not only for myself but for others,” coming arguably close to what we would be comfortable with today.

It turned out of course, that very early on it became obvious that professional organizer Allen was out of sync with the early Kiwanian. At the Birmingham Convention in 1919, the assembled delegates raised $17,500 over and bought him out! And in 1924, we formalized a completely different mind-set by adopting our unchanged six Permanent Objects.

The other reason I consider this copy of the first Kiwanis magazine a treasure is because of its provenance: Its autographed fly-leaf shows that it was presented by Walter O. Lloyd to Charles F. “Ted” Rand of October 15, 1923 in North Tonowauud, NY (Our New Continued on Page 10
Christa McAuliffe Builders Club Holds Fashion Show to Raise $$$

The Kiwanis Club of Bensonhurst & Bay Ridge, Brooklyn Division – is proud to sponsor the Crista McAuliffe Builders Club who recently held a very successful Fashion Show at the Oriental Manor on 86th Street in Brooklyn.

 Builders Club Advisor Lynn Ferrier remarked, “The McAuliffe Builders Club has worked very hard all year on projects that benefit our community. The members deserve much praise for all their efforts. Today’s Fashion Show exemplifies the firm commitment the members have to helping others.”

The Builders Club members worked diligently setting up beautifully decorated baskets and gift certificates, which they raffled off after the Fashion Show. The proceeds from the gala event will benefit the Builders Clubs charities. Members’ parents were out in full force to see their children model clothing from local apparel shops while enjoying a delicious dinner.

The event was a great success. Models were professional, enthusiastic and bubbly and the youngsters raised money for the needy.

Frankfort-Schuler Builders Club Chartered

Kiwanis Club of FRANKFORT, Central Division – held an evening assembly to welcome their new Builders Club. The event was held in conjunction with the school administration and staff.

At the assembly, which was also attended by Lt. Governor Donna Yando, the new Builders Club was presented with individual pins, a banner, and a bell.

This club is under the advisement of teacher Mrs. Carmen Loffe Cooper and is very active, participating in many local and area events. There are 75 members in the new Builders Club.

Busy Helping Hands At JW Bailey School

The Kiwanis Club of KINGSTON, Hudson River Division – sponsors the students in the Helping Hands Club at J.W. Watson Bailey Middle School. They have been very busy helping others. Under the Kingston Kiwanis Builders Club, the Helping Hands Club is a volunteer after-school service organization that was founded five years ago at the Middle School. Each Wednesday, a group of sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students meet ninth period under the guidance of faculty advisors Mary DeChristopher and June Wolfersteig.

The group plans, develops, and carries out a myriad of fundraising activities for local and national organizations and services. This past year, the Club has conducted a cell phone drive for the Office of the Aging; made pink ribbons to sell for Breast Cancer Awareness and raised $250 for the Breast Cancer Center at Kingston Hospital; raised $1,200 selling paper feathers for a food and toy drive; assisted the Kingston Teachers Federation with their annual blood drive; collected and purchased books for a South Carolina library destroyed by Hurricane Katrina; sold carnations to raise money for the Relay for Life team to benefit the American Cancer Society; and sent personal care items to soldiers in Iraq.

Currently, the students are cleaning around the school building in honor of Earth Day, and planning a Memorial Day dance to raise money for the Relay for Life team.

“We are a busy bunch!” comments Ms. DeChristopher. “These are a great bunch of kids who truly see the value of ‘giving back.’”

Roscoe Sponsors Builders Club

The Kiwanis Club of ROSCOE, Hudson River West Division – has started and is sponsoring a Builders Club at the Roscoe Central School. So far the club has 21 members from the 5th and 6th grades. This is quite a significant number when you consider that there are only 46 students, total, in those two grades!

Officers elected in February are: Samantha Molinar – President; Dylan Baker – Vice President; Kerri Horton – Secretary; Taylor Keeler – Treasurer; Jordan Delgosia – 6th Grade Director; Justin Uleberg – 5th Grade Director. As the club progresses members from both 7th and 8th grade will be included.

Before being “officially”chartered the club was quite active completing three service projects between February and April. These included making Valentine cards for service-men in Iraq, St. Patrick’s Day goody bundles, and working at the Roscoe Kiwanis Club’s pancake breakfast. They began “Springing into Action” throughout May by conducting a food drive to benefit the local food pantry, participating in a litter-pluck, and planting flowers to give to residents of the Nursing Home.

Fund raising efforts started last month as the Builders participate in the Kiwanis Club’s Mothers’ Day Flower sale. An elementary school “Sneaker Event” and a Car Wash/Bake Sale are on their list of upcoming events.

The Club’s official charter has now come through and they have received their banner, bell and gavel. A formal Charter Ceremony is being planned at which members will be officially inducted and receive their membership pins and handbooks.
On Saturday, June 17th, the WEST HEMPSTEAD and ISLAND PARK Key Clubs worked together to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. The event was orchestrated by the two key club members who had attended previous events.

Everything began at 3:30 pm. The adults and kids worked together to set up the tents. The event ran until 7 am Sunday morning. Activities were planned for the entire night. Bagpipes and a survivor walk kicked off the event and was followed by teams who walked the track all night. Many, like Gabrielle Fuchs, First Lady Debra’s daughter, did not go to sleep. It is estimated that the event raised over $100,000 for the American Cancer Society.

## West Hempstead and Island Park Key Clubs Relay for Life

On Saturday, June 17th, the WEST HEMPSTEAD and ISLAND PARK Key Clubs worked together to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. They were orchestrated by the two key club members who had attended previous events. Everything began at 3:30 pm. The adults and kids worked together to set up the tents. The event ran until 7 am Sunday morning.

Activities were planned for the entire night. Bagpipes and a survivor walk kicked off the event and was followed by teams who walked the track all night. Many, like Gabrielle Fuchs, First Lady Debra’s daughter, did not go to sleep. It is estimated that the event raised over $100,000 for the American Cancer Society.
The students came from Western New Huntington, in Suffolk, New York. She is also for Harry Chapin LI Cares Food Bank.

Super DPLG Jo Greene, Mgr. of Special Events the Harry Chapin LI Cares Food Bank noted Intermediate School when they came to tour Chairello’s 3rd grade at James Boyd and lacrosse.

Active with Girl Scouts, Tae Kwon Do, soccer Ryder, a student in the Elwood Parisi, and was unanimously approved by the Syosset/Woodbury Kiwanis Club upon Miss Barbara-Anne has been a gleeful sup - dners in the cabins at night. Special thanks to (Mansfield, PA) – who participated in the

Ryder Becomes Honorary Member

The Kiwanis Club of SYOSSET/WOODBURY, Long Island North – at the March 13th meet- ing of their Board of Directors conferred ‘Honorary Membership’ in the Syosset/ Woodbury Kiwanis Club upon Miss Barbara-Anne Lillian Ryder, the youngest daughter of DPLG Edward (Woody) and Joyce Ryder, Syosset/Woodbury Kiwanis members. The motion was submitted by Debra Parish, and was unanimously approved by the full Board, Miss Ryder, a student in the Elwood School District’s James Boyd Intermediate School, resides in Greenlawn, Town of Huntington, in Suffolk, New York. She is also active with Girl Scouts, Tae Kwon Do, soccer and lacrosse.

“Barbara-Anne has been a gleeful sup- porter of all Kiwanis activities, from her atten- dance at Kiwanis conventions, conference, and at our meetings. She acts as the club’s Sheriff collecting ‘Happy Dollars’ and other monies, and has become a much looked for- ward to presence at our gatherings” noted Ken Robinson Esquire, President of the Syosset/Woodbury Kiwanis Club.

“We were also glad to welcome Barbara-Anne and her classmates from Mrs. Chairello’s 3rd grade at James Boyd Intermediate School when they came to tour the Harry Chapin Li Cares Food Bank” noted Super DPLG Jo Greene, Mgr. of Special Events for Harry Chapin Li Cares Food Bank.”

Russell Sage Circle K is Formed

The Kiwanis Club of Hoosick Falls, Van Rensselaer Division – (sponsor) held a Charter Night for the new Russell Sage College Circle K at the Sage College Bush Memorial Pavilion. The club was organized on October 31, 2005 as a result of efforts by Past Lt Governor Jean Andrick and Faculty Advisor, Cary Lombardo (a previous Circle K member and Troy Club Kiwanian member). In

Russel Sage College Circle K

The Kiwanis Club of Hoosick Falls, Van Rensselaer Division – (sponsor) held a Charter Night for the new Russell Sage College Circle K at the Sage College Bush Memorial Pavilion. The club was organized on October 31, 2005 as a result of efforts by Past Lt Governor Jean Andrick and Faculty Advisor, Cary Lombardo (a previous Circle K member and Troy Club Kiwanian member). In attendance were many Kiwanis members from the Division as well as Lt Governor Key Club Elizabeth Counterman from Division 18. A reception followed where Kiwanis mem- bers were able to interact and get a chance to meet the new members. RPI Circle K President David Armandt was also present to support the newest Circle K Club in the Van Rensselaer Division.

Kaiser

Continued from Page 7

York District office location at the time.) Walter Lloyd, who had served as our District Governor in 1912 was then the Dean of our past District Governors (the oldest in point of service of our living past governors) and serving as our District Historian, a position he held for a record 22 years, 1944-1966. I served as Lieutenant Governor in 1962 and so had the great privilege of knowing both of these truly dedicated Kiwanians, espe- cially Ted with whom I worked closely until his retirement, in 1966, when he was named an Honorary Past Governor.

Thanks to Ted Rand, beloved by all who knew him, Vol. 1 No.1 of the Kiwanis Club magazine is among my Kiwanis treasures.

Key Leader

Kiwanis Key Leader a Success in Livonia!

The weekend of May 19 – 21 found 42 stu- dents and 8 adults at Camp Stella Maris in Livonia for the first Kiwanis Key Leader week- end in New York for 2006. (See photo on page 77) The students came from Western New York and a few from Pennsylvania. We were visited during the weekend by Kiwanis International Foundation Trustee Jack Harten. Lead by Facilitator Jack Christ, the students explored the Key Principles of Service Leadership – Personal Integrity, Personal Growth, Respect, Building Community and the Pursuit of Excellence.

Throughout the weekend, the students were lead through activities by both the head facilitator and student facilitators who were trained to lead small group discussions and activities. The students also participated in a ropes course that forced them to work togeth- er as a team to solve a variety of challenges in a truly experiential learning experience. We would like to thank the many Kiwanis Clubs that sponsored students to attend this weekend. The students raved about the pro- gram and went back to their schools and communities talking about what a positive experience they had. Thank you to the chap- erones – Dean Beltrano (Lewiston), Ron Parent (Lewiston), Ann Holevinski (Livonia), Normal Day (Batavia) and Holly Logandell (Mansfield, PA) – who participated in the weekend activities and supervised the stu- dents in the cabins at night. Special thanks to Howie and Jennifer Barnes, who served as Site Coordinators, because without them, the weekend could not have happened.

Now is the time for those clubs downstate to start finding and registering students to participate in our second event of 2006 at the Warwick Center October 6-8. Governor-elect Joe has issued a challenge to reimburse the club who sponsors the most students the cost of one registration.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns at kscharoff@yahoo.com

RPTC Albany

Rick Strum

I’m so proud of the K Family members of the Capital, Mohawk and Van Rensselaer Divisions for their stamina in working toward our $400,000 pledge for the Pediatric Trauma Unit located at the Albany Medical Center Hospital.

During the past year, through golf tournamen- ts, pancake breakfasts, duck races and the Bells of Life Drive, we’ve moved closer to our goal. To date, nearly $360,000 has been raised and given to the hospital. We antic- pate completing this task during 2007.

Upcoming events include our participa- tion in the Children’s Miracle Network Telethon as well as continued fund raising activities. Members will also tour the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Unit on June 15, 2006. My thanks to all who have not lost sight of this worthwhile cause.

Kaiser

Continued from Page 7

York District office location at the time.) Walter Lloyd, who had served as our District Governor in 1912 was then the Dean of our past District Governors (the oldest in point of service of our living past governors) and serving as our District Historian, a position he held for a record 22 years, 1944-1966. I served as Lieutenant Governor in 1962 and so had the great privilege of knowing both of these truly dedicated Kiwanians, espe- cially Ted with whom I worked closely until his retirement, in 1966, when he was named an Honorary Past Governor.

Thanks to Ted Rand, beloved by all who knew him, Vol. 1 No.1 of the Kiwanis Club magazine is among my Kiwanis treasures.
The Kiwanis Club of LOCKPORT, Niagara Frontier North Division – proudly sponsors the Lockport High School Key Club. Lockport Key Club officers recently made a visit to their Kiwanis Club during a weekly luncheon meeting with the Tuscarora Club. The Lockport Key Club works closely with the Key Club and supports its activities and projects. In addition, the Key Club members have given time and effort to the Kiwanis Club’s bell ringers during the holiday season and participated in jelly bean sales at Easter, and most recently, assisted in the Kiwanis Club’s high school girls basketball tournament. The Lockport High School Co-advisors are teachers: Elena Wozniak and Michelle Miszewski. The Lockport Kiwanis Key Club Advisor is Tom O’Shea, a retired school principal and a very effective Key Club Advisor. He received the club Distinguished Kiwanis Award this past year. Tom is involved in many committees on the Lockport Club and in the city of Lockport, including President of the Fine Board. He also agrees with Governor David’s statement during his recent division Governor’s Visit, that we should establish a relationship with the various youth groups in our communities. Past Governor Ed Kolek is an Honorary Life Member of Key Club International, and received the Key of Honor from District Key Club. The Lockport Club had its 90th Anniversary on May 17th, 2006. It is the sixth oldest club in Kiwanis International.

Above: left to right: New York District Past Governor Edward Kolek, Key Club Co-President Evan See, Sergeant-at-Arms Amanda Moeller, Secretary Karen LeRoy, Co-President Kristen Marciszewski, Secretary Sharee Chen, and Past President and Lockport Kiwanis Key Club Advisor Thomas O’Shea. Lockport Key Clubber displays a picture of the Lockport Key Club in 1952-53. Some of their parents are probably in the photograph!

Onondaga Hill Key Club Leads Community

The Kiwanis Club of ONONDAGA HILL, Ontario Division – sponsors the 54-member Key Club of Onondaga Central High School. The Key Club has been on a continuous roll sponsoring and handling community projects – and is looking forward to a full agenda. A fundraising Zita Dinner last fall provided $900 for various projects such as 25 Thanksgiving Food Baskets for families in the area and $500 for Christmas presents for poor families.

One of their fun events was a Christmas Party for kids at Children’s Village in Syracuse. Bringing their own Santa Claus, the Key Clubbers ran games for the children, entertained with face painting and tattoos, and served refreshments. Santa passed out gifts the Key Clubbers had brought with them. Also at Christmas time, the Key Club joined with its Sponsor, Onondaga Hill Kiwanis Club, in providing juices for one- and two-member family clients of Meals On Wheels at holiday time, and provided $200 to Red Cross Relief.

The Key Club is using some of its money to help send members to Convention.

Glendale Donates New Ambulance

The Kiwanis Club of GLendale, Queens West Division – recently donated a new much needed ambulance to the Glendale Volunteer Ambulance Corp.

Shown in photo: Glendale members Senator Serf Maltese, President Debbie Kueber, GVAC President Ryan Gunning, Councilman Dennis Gallagher and Queens West Lt. Gov. Mike Miller.

2006 NY Key Leader Session in Livonia

Above: 42 students and 8 adults at Camp Stella Maris in Livonia for the first Kiwanis Key Leader weekend in New York for 2006 join for a photo. The students came from Western New York and a few from Pennsylvania.

District Convention

Rick Thompson

Plans are firming up for the District Convention. The golf tournament is set, as well as some great activities for those attending. Shopping downtown Saratoga will have its benefits to Kiwanian as stores will offer discounts on their merchandise for Convention attendees.

This year we are sponsoring a food drive for a non-profit named Franklin Community Center. The Center operates a food pantry, an after school program called Project Lift. Project Lift is offered in the Saratoga Springs City School District at two locations: We operate at Greenfield Elementary School on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at Lake Avenue Elementary School on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each day consists of structured, positive programming with group activities until 5 p.m. Children are provided with a healthy lunch and bus transportation home.

In addition to the time spent at the after-school program, children and their families also have access to Franklin Community Center’s ancillary services, as needed, including: referral and advocacy, free clothing and food, summer camp scholarships, school supplies, holiday assistance and more.

It is the food pantry we would like attendees to help. If you could donate canned goods at the hotel, that would help. We will have the Director of the Center join us on Saturday to accept the generosity of Kiwanian. Some of the items they use are: tuna fish, canned vegetables, macaroni, canned sauce, cereal and peanut butter. Let’s show them how we can supply non-profits with the tools they need to service the needy.

You will have a great time in Saratoga Springs at the Convention, especially with so much to do in the area. Saratoga is a food lover’s dream. With more than 100 restaurants offering everything from southern fried cooking, to authentic French and Italian cuisine, to dining in a country inn.
Thanks to everyone who has taken the time to respond to my e-mails and letters asking for the names and phone numbers (or at least reasons) why members have left your clubs. The District issues are not as bleak as one may think:

Some members joined clubs in other areas of the state as a result of a move. Several clubs had dropped members because they had not paid dues in years — this bears another question — why would you want to hold onto members that don’t pay dues? I’m guessing these are the same members that don’t show up to respond to my e-mails and letters asking them to stay connected. Just like a job — if you get bored and are not challenged, you’ll find out what your club members want to do an informal assessment each year — finally quit. An important lesson — even if you wanted more activity in his club. He just listened to a speaker week after week and organization and its mission, he got bored! While he had high marks for the Kiwanis interesting perspective — he got bored!

One member I contacted had a really long at this number” so we’ll never really know why they left Kiwanis. Several clubs had dropped members because they had not paid dues in years — this bears another question — why would you want to hold onto members that don’t pay dues? I’m guessing these are the same members that don’t show up to respond to my e-mails and letters asking them to stay connected. Just like a job — if you get bored and are not challenged, your passion dwindles — the same can happen in Kiwanis!

Look to see how much fun your club is having — how about a quick exercise? Pass around a piece of paper and ask your members to write a number from 1-10, with 10 being the most fun — you may have a great club that needs no change, you may not. What’s your number?

Membership Statistics

Jean Andrich

Thanks to everyone who has taken the time to respond to my e-mails and letters asking for the names and phone numbers (or at least reasons) why members have left your clubs. The District issues are not as bleak as one may think:

Some members joined clubs in other areas of the state as a result of a move.

Many clubs responded there were time constraints on the members who left, several had passed away, and a number of people have relocated to other areas (not NY).

A couple of key insights — many of the phone numbers given to me were either disconnected or no longer the person listed — this may be a good time to update your club membership records — how often is that done with your club? There were numerous people I could not contact due to “person no longer at this number” so we’ll never really know why they left Kiwanis.

Several clubs had dropped members because they had not paid dues in years — this bears another question — why would you want to hold onto members that don’t pay dues? I’m guessing these are the same members that don’t show up? To keep a club motivated, it needs active membership and paying absent member dues to the District depletes your Administrative account. Fortunately, now that we have the annual dues structure, you can make a quick decision on whether or not members will remain current.

400 Children Hop into Action at the 8th Canandaigua Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt

The Kiwanis Club of CANANDAIGUA, Finger Lakes Division — Their Young Children Priority One Committee held its 8th Annual Easter Egg Hunt this past April.

The successful event featured the Easter Bunny arriving on a fire truck, safety reflec- tor giveaways to all participants and fingerprinting of the children by New York State Troopers and Canandaigua City Police Officers. The 7,000 eggs took two hours for 50 plus members to fill, but the 400 children that attended were able to gather them all in approximately 3 minutes flat.

Once the eggs were collected, the children and their parents congregated to find out if they had won any of the 30 prizes donated by area merchants. Prizes included several $50 savings bonds, large Easter baskets, bike helmets and much more. The result: a great time was had by all… and that’s no “yolk.”

Over 400 local children, ages infant-10 yrs., gathered over 7000 eggs during the Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt.

Canandaigua Kiwanians handed out over 20 Easter baskets, nine $50 savings bonds from area banks and another 15 gift certificates and prizes to Easter Egg Hunt participants immediately following Saturday’s event.

Rotterdam Volunteers Sort Food Donations

Kiwanian David Stone moves a box of sorted food.

Kiwanian Herb Kingsbury is quick to help with the sorting job.

Kiwanian Henry Polgreen begins sorting a table of food.

The Kiwanis Club of ROTTERDAM, Mohawk Division — For several years, has volunteered to sort the food donated to the City Mission, as a result of the Postal workers’ food drive for the needy.

The food drive was successful and Rotterdam Kiwanis had a bountiful harvest to separate into categories. Because of the large amount, it took two full days to sort everything.

Rotterdam Kiwianotating their time to work on this project were: Chair Terry Glenn, President Ed Barkowski, Herb Kingsbury, Nancy MacLea, Dave Stone, Henry Polgreen, and the spouse of a member, Ursula Keiski.

New Cassel Kiwanians.

New Cassel Kiwanis.

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

EMPIRE STATE KIWANIAN

July 2006

12

The Harry E. Crosby VFW Post 2472 provided the Color Guard. The group sang the 1st Verse of “America,” followed by an invocation by Maj. Jim Smith of the Salvation Army. The group then honored the living and remembered the fallen, with the playing of “TAPS” Bugler Charles Camillo.

A buffet lunch was followed by Guest Speakers MSG Philip Elia, 3rd Brigade 42nd Infantry, NYARNG and HMD (FMF) Max Elia, USN both “Heroes” who just returned from Iraq.

Both gave a fitting rendition of their thoughts about how the war in Iraq is progressing. They both feel very proud to be American Fighting men. HM3 Max Elia is a Corpman in a Marine unit and was wounded shielding his fallen buddies from further harm. His father MSG Elia received the Bronze Star Medal for his action in Iraq.

Photo right: Buffalo Kiwanian have fun as “Fine Meister” Rudi Rainer put the arm on Bud Jost and Steve Cherico for some donations.

BUFFALO CLUB KIWIANIAN HOLD MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Mount Morris Central School PTSA Gets Aid From Kiwanian

The Kiwanis Club of MOUNT MORRIS, Genesee Division – donated $500 from their Bingo to the Mount Morris Central School PTSA for their matching funds for new elementary playground equipment.

Mount Morris Central School has authorized the release of $30,000 for new playground equipment and the PTSA is trying to raise an equal amount to make the total $60,000.

Currently the PTSA have raised half the amount or $15,000.

Let to right: HM3 (FMF) Max Elia, USN; MSG Philip Elia, NYARNG; Chairman, Kevin Burke, CSM (Ret.) USA; Buffalo President John Moffitt; Niagara Frontier West Lt. Gov. William Tober and Maj. Jim Smith, Salvation Army (Invocator).

Spring Valley Receives First Place in Spiritual Aims Award

Kiwanian Club of SPRING VALLEY, Hudson Tri-County Division - At the Mid-Winter Conference, won a lovely and unexpected first place award for its annual prayer breakfast at Salvation Army. Every year Spring Valley holds the breakfast with their three Key Clubs.

Everyone brings Angel gifts for eligible children in the Salvation Army program and canned goods for the food cupboard.

Sometimes, a few Key Club members ride on the Salvation Army truck that goes out to feed the homeless. Spring Valley Kiwanis donates a modest amount of money. They have non-sectarian discussion of values that they try to demonstrate by actively engaging in community service. When breakfast is done, they go to a local mall and ring the bell for the Salvation Army. What is not mentioned in any award is what Spring Valley Kiwanis owes to members who established and taught new members this tradition.

It just so happens that this year member John Watt will celebrate thirty years in Kiwanis. He is about to retire to Tennessee. John has held a variety of offices including President 1985-86, Key Club advisor during the 70s and 80s, and received an award as Outstanding Key Club Divisional Administrator in 1984. Most recently, he was our Chairman for Spiritual Aims. For years John bought and cooked the food, typed up the program and spoke to Key Club members. Over the years, he has taught the newer members how much food to buy, how to cook on the Salvation Army industrial stove,and what topics to use for discussion. The event is made possible by John’s efforts. His steadfast commitment to preserving this lovely tradition is certainly worth mentioning in connection with our recent award. Thanks John!

The New York District Kiwanian Foundation
Proudly Presents the 26th Annual
PAST GOVERNORS MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC
$85.00 includes Green Fees, Cart, Lunch and $5.00 Pro Shop Golf Certificate
Hot Dogs, Hamburger and Salads

The Committee is looking for donations of • Golf Balls • Tees and Towels only. Cash Donations will be gratefully accepted to help with the cost of balls, tees and towels.

For information please call: Chairman Ed Sexton 944-3056

Shotgun Start: 8:30 am
Make checks payable to the New York District Kiwanian Foundation
Mail to: Event Chairman Ed Sexton 210 Chestnut St., Port Chester NY 10573

Saratoga Lake Golf Course
35 Grace Moore Road
Saratoga Springs, NY

Thursday, September 7, 2006

Hole Sponsor

Kiwani Club
Division or Individual

Donation: $75.00
Your Support Is Deeply Appreciated
Make checks payable to New York District Kiwanian Foundation
Mail to: Event Chairman Ed Sexton 210 Chestnut St., Port Chester NY 10573

Name
Club
Number of holes
Amount enclosed
Every hole sponsor will be recognized at the convention!

Pictured front row left to right are: Former First Lady Rose Marie Gridley (Chairperson of the event), DPLG Dr. Robert Orzen, Maryann Keegan, President Marie Jones, Mayor of Floral Park Phil Guarnieri, Rear Row: SOPGL Ben Cirlincione, Barbara Cirlincione, Sheldon Ruggles, DPG John Gridley, Kevin Greene, Floral Park Village Trustee Jim Rathbun.
Yes, the New York District Kiwanis Foundation has developed the Distinguished Service Award. This high gloss color certificate will be personalized with recipients’ names and signed by our Foundation President and packaged in a leather folder with an embossed Foundation label.

The award can be presented by clubs once a year for one club member. The donation for this award is $150. It is a great means of honoring someone in a special way. Just fill out the coupon on the left, enclose your check payable to the NY District Foundation, and send to Maureen Neuringer, 1535 63rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219.

In effort to recognize individuals for meritorious service, the New York District Foundation is offering the Distinguished Service Award. This high gloss color certificate will be personalized with recipients’ names and signed by our Foundation President and packaged in a leather folder with an embossed Foundation label.

The award can be presented by clubs once a year for one club member. The donation for this award is $150. It is a great means of honoring someone in a special way. Just fill out the coupon on the left, enclose your check payable to the NY District Foundation, and send to Maureen Neuringer, 1535 63rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219.

SOVEREIGN ABSTRACT CORP.
Agent for First American Title Insurance Company of New York
1265 Richmond Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10314
Tel: 718 983-8000 Fax: 718 983-7899

New York District Foundation

Distinguished Service Award
presented by
The Kiwanis Club of Everytown

Recipient’s Name

IN RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO EXCELLENCE WHILE SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD.

Send award to: ________________________________
______________

Make $150 check payable to: NY District Foundation and send to: Maureen Neuringer, District Editor, MizMo Gráfica Inc., 1535 63rd Street Brooklyn NY 11219 718 259-9679

$150, we want to honor a member with the Foundation Distinguished Service Award Kiwanis Year 2005-2006 Club’s Name ________________________________
Recipient’s Name ________________________________
Date of Presentation ________________________________
Send award to: ________________________________

No, we want to honor a member with the Foundation Distinguished Service Award Kiwanis Year 2005-2006 Club’s Name ________________________________
Recipient’s Name ________________________________
Date of Presentation ________________________________
Send award to: ________________________________
MICHAEL MALARK
Foundation Director Candidate

1987  ■  Distinguished President New Scotland Club
1989  ■  Distinguished Lt. Governor Capital Division
1990  ■  District Liaison to NY District Foundation
1990  ■  Chair for Drug Awareness
1996  ■  New Club Builder
1996  ■  Division Chair for Immunization
1996  ■  Division Membership Growth and Retention
1998  ■  District Chair Community Services
1998  ■  Developed and marketed Food Pantries throughout District
1999  ■  Tags for Tots
1999  ■  District Chair for Veteran Affairs
2000  ■  Division Chair for Immunization
2000  ■  Club Revitalizer – Capital Div.
2002  ■  Regional Chair Retention & Growth
2002  ■  Dist. Lt. Gov. Capital Division
2003  ■  Credentials Chair
2003  ■  Mem. Retention and Revitalization
2003  ■  New Club Builder – Capital Division
2004  ■  Mem. Growth – Club Revitalization
2005  ■  NY District Convention Chairman
2005  ■  NY District Sergeant-at-Arms
2005  ■  District Chair Ice Storm
2006  ■  District Chair Membership Growth and Orientation
2006  ■  Convention Sergeant-at-Arms
2006  ■  Appointed to NYD Fdn. Board
2007  ■  Special Events Chair – NYD Fdn.
2007  ■  District New Club Builder
2008  ■  Special Occasions/Procurement
2008  ■  New York District Foundation
2008  ■  Fundraising District Foundation
2009  ■  NFTI Certified Growth Trainer
2009  ■  Certified Club Officer Trainer
2009  ■  District New Club Builder
2010  ■  District Chair Mem. & Growth
2010  ■  District Kamp New Construction and Maintenance Chair
2005  ■  District Disaster Relief Chair
2006  ■  TAG Team Chair
2006  ■  Lt. Governor Capital Division

PERSONAL HISTORY
■  United States Marine Corps
■  Vietnam Veteran
■  Married 1970 to Maryanne Casulto
■  Three children: Michael, Meredith and Matthew
■  Two grandchildren: Christopher and Meghan

STEVEN SALETTO
Foundation Director Candidate

KIWANIS SERVICE
2002 to present
■  Distinguished Governor Capital Division
■  Chair for Drug Awareness
■  New Club Builder
■  Division Chair for Immunization
■  Division Membership Growth and Retention
■  District Chair Community Services
■  Developed and marketed Food Pantries throughout District
■  Tags for Tots
■  District Chair for Veteran Affairs
■  Division Chair for Immunization
■  Club Revitalizer – Capital Div.
■  Regional Chair Retention & Growth
■  Dist. Lt. Gov. Capital Division
■  Credentials Chair
■  Mem. Retention and Revitalization
■  New Club Builder – Capital Division
■  Mem. Growth – Club Revitalization
■  NY District Convention Chairman
■  NY District Sergeant-at-Arms
■  District Chair Ice Storm
■  District Chair Membership Growth and Orientation
■  Convention Sergeant-at-Arms
■  Appointed to NYD Fdn. Board
■  Special Events Chair – NYD Fdn.
■  District New Club Builder
■  Special Occasions/Procurement
■  New York District Foundation
■  Fundraising District Foundation
■  NFTI Certified Growth Trainer
■  Certified Club Officer Trainer
■  District New Club Builder
■  District Chair Mem. & Growth

2002 to present
■  District Kamp New Construction and Maintenance Chair
■  District Disaster Relief Chair
■  TAG Team Chair
■  Lt. Governor Capital Division

Merrick President Ilene Dixel Honored
The Kiwanis Club of MERRICK, Long Island South Central Division – Ilene Dixel, president of the Kiwanis Club of Merrick, has received the Nassau County Trailblazer Award for the 19th Legislative District.

In a ceremony at County Executive Tom Suozzi’s office in Mineola on March 20, County Legislator David Denenberg presented the award, which is given during Women’s History Month. It recognizes Dixel’s outstanding professional and community service contributions. In addition to Kiwanis, where she also serves as Key Club liaison, Dixel – an account executive for the Herald community newspapers – chairs events for the Chamber of Commerce and was named Merrick Woman of the Year in 2005.

FRANCES HOGAN
Foundation Director Candidate

KIWANIS SERVICE
Steve Saletto joined Kiwanis in 1986 and became part of the Bensonhurst & Bay Ridge Kiwanis Club. He served 2 years as Board of Director and 1 year as the Club’s Treasurer. Steve transferred to the Staten Island Kiwanis club in 1993. There he served as a Director on the Board. He went on to be a Distinguished President 1997 - 1998. In 2001-2002, he became a Distinguished Lt Governor 2001 - 2002 for the Metropolitan Division.

Steve served as liaison to the New York District Foundation Board in 2001 - 2002. He was appointed to Foundation Board by President Liddy Marrizzo to take the place of DPG Peter Mancuso.

Steve went on to be elected to the New York District Foundation Board in 2003. Currently Steve Saletto is the Foundation Board Chairman and facilitator for the District Kiser Program.

Frances M. Hogan is the Director of Community Relations for the Staten Island Mental Health Society (SIMHS), and co-coordinator of the agency’s School Reading Volunteer Program. She has been employed at the SIMHS, one of New York’s largest and most respected providers of children’s mental health services, since 1988.

At the SIMHS, Ms. Hogan’s responsibilities include acting as the agency’s liaison to the community and to other social service organizations, directing the activities of the Society’s more than 500 volunteers, and keeping her eye and her pulse on issues pertinent to the Society’s mission of assisting children with special needs.

New York Foundation Scholarships Awarded
The New York District Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce its 2006 Scholarship Winners. Because of the closeness in judging, five scholarships will be offered rather than four. The competition for the scholarships was the best that we have seen in the last five years. Someone in our schools is doing a great job with these students. We want to thank all of the clubs who submitted a candidate, but even though they didn’t receive one, they are most worthy.

The winners are:
Christina L. Baynes
Rome Free Academy
Rome Club, Central Division
Diane Lee
Chester Academy
Chester Club, Hudson River West
Amy Leung
Stuyvesant High School
Chinatown Club, Metropolitan Division
Atrish Bagchi
Stuyvesant High School
New York City Young Professionals Club
Nicholas Pierce
Hoosick Falls Central School
Hoosick Falls Club, Van Rensselaer Division

Prior to working in the not-for-profit field, Ms. Hogan was a teacher at Our Lady of Good Counsel School, St. Ann’s School, and St. Christopher’s School, all on Staten Island. She participated in and led a host of volunteer projects and activities at the schools.

She was also an active volunteer member of the Mental Health Society’s Women’s Guild, having served as president, secretary, chairperson of the International Spring Luncheon for two years, and chairperson of the Children’s Party. In recognition of her service to the Guild and the SIMHS, she was presented with the Dorothy M. Kammer Volunteer Service Award in 1996.

Ms. Hogan’s current volunteer activities include – Kiwanis International; Lt. Governor of the Metropolitan Division. In 2005, appointed to the Foundation Board as a behavioral consultant. Works with the Kaiser Program. For past five years has participated in the Kamp Kiwanis Work Weekend. In 2000, elected first female president of the Staten Island Kiwanis Club. Staten Island Children’s Campaign Charitable Trust: Has been an officer of the Children’s Campaign since its inception in 1991. Staten Island Network of Volunteer Administrators (NOVA): Current vice president and past president.

Ms. Hogan also serves on the Staten Island Committee of United Way Executives; the Staten Island Children’s Museum Circle of Friends Committee; the RSVP/SErVE Advisory Board; and the board of St. Peter’s High School for Boys.

Ms. Hogan’s past volunteer and professional affiliations include the Business and Professional Women’s Club of Staten Island, Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences; Memorial Brick Program of the Notre Dame Alumnae Association; Board of the Seamen’s Society for Children and Families, where she chaired the Society’s House Tour Committee six times; Board of Community Resources for the Developmentally Disabled; Boy Scouts of America; Staten Island Communicators Guild; Staten Island Academy Education Committee; Pupil Personnel Services Advisory Committee to the District 31 Community School Board; and Friends of Boys Hope.

Ms. Hogan was named a Staten Island Advance Woman of Achievement in 1999 for her extraordinary volunteer service to the community. In addition to the “Woman of Achievement” and “Dorothy Kammer” awards, she has been honored with the “Safe Harbor” Award from the Seamen’s Society; the Songoptimist International Women of Distinction Award; the “Above and Beyond the Call” Award from United Way; the Literacy Advocate Award from the Staten Island Reading Association; the Junior Guild of Staten Island’s Service Recognition Award; and the Women’s Achievement Award from the Port Richmond Day Nursery.

Ms. Hogan was a graduate of St. Peter’s Girls High School and earned a BS in Education at Notre Dame College of Staten Island; she continues to be active in alumnae activities at each school. She resides in Westerleigh. Her son Peter lives in New Jersey.
Don Herring is currently the New York District Secretary/Treasurer. This is the fourth time that he has served in this position. He formally served as Sec/Treas, under Governors Suchey, Pat Cooney, Justin Underwood (1/2 year), and now with David Rothman. He is also the Sec./Treas. of the New York District Foundation, a position he has held for the past eight years.

Don has been a Kiwanian for many years. At the club level he has been a Distinguished President and Distinguished Secretary of the Oswego Kiwanis Club, and a past President and Past Secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Vernon. He is currently The Secretary and Membership Chair of the Oswego Kiwanis Club.

At the Division Level Don has served the Ontario Division as a Lieutenant Governor under Governor Bob Weeks. He has also been HOBY Chair for the Division, and sits on the Past Lt. Governor’s Council.

It is at the District level that Don has provided the most of his service. In addition to his service as Sec/Treas. he has held the following District positions: A five year member of the Finance and Fundraising Committee, Chair of the Education and Leadership Training Committee, Chair of the Planning Committee, and has served on the Achievement Committee, the Rules and Regulations Committee, and was an executive Assistant to DGJ Joe Epollito. These roles and his service to the New York District Foundation as Sec./Treas. and member of the Scholarship Committee have provided Don with a varied and in depth background as he strives to achieve the position of Governor Elect.

Don’s working career began as a Junior High School Science Teacher. He completed the BS degree in Education at SUNY-Oswego. After three years of teaching he was awarded a National Science Foundation grant to pursue a Master of Science degree at Syracuse University, where he earned a MS degree in Science. He specialized in Field Botany and his Master’s paper was titled Factors that Affect Worldwide Vegetation.

Upon completing this degree Don returned to teaching as a Biology and Chemistry teacher and basketball coach. After six years of teaching High School Science Don was awarded a Ford Foundation Grant to begin Doctoral Studies in Educational Administration at Syracuse University. While in this program, he was offered a position as the Assistant Executive Secretary of the Central New York School Study Council. This group provided training services to all schools from the Canadian border to the Pennsylvania border through Central New York. Don was awarded the PhD degree with a major in Educational Administration and a minor from the School of Business in Personnel. His dissertation thesis was titled Factors That Affect Closure in Collective Bargaining. During these studies Don also earned the Superintendent of Schools Certificate. Upon completion of this degree Don was offered the position of Asst. Prof. of Ed. Administration and Executive Secretary of the Central New York School Council. After serving three years in this position, he left to become the Chair of the Secondary Education Department and Assoc. Prof. of Education at SUNY Oswego, his alma mater.

After serving a three year term as Chair, Don was promoted to Full Professor and granted tenure as a Professor of Education.

Upon the completion of a second three year term as Chair Don was asked by the Chair of the Business Administration Department if he would consider joining that department to take on a new position to develop an advisement program for that new and growing Department. Don accepted this challenge and soon introduced the Business Administration Student Advisement Center (BASAC) which used outstanding students as well as faculty members in the advisement process. This center would become the model for Advisement Centers that eventually opened in all other large departments at the College.

Don’s next assignment was to take over as the Director of the Management program for the Department. During his tenure in this position he wrote a new course of study for a degree in Human Resource Management. This proposal was approved by SUNY Oswego, SUNY Administration, and the New York State Education Department. It then became a very popular degree program in the now School of Business.

Don’s position enlarged to become director of both Management and H.R.M. As part of his duties Don assumed the role of advising the student Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM). This student group accepted the challenge to become one of the best student groups in the country.

During the time that Don led this group they were awarded the Society for Human Resource Managements highest award-the Superior Merit Award for six consecutive years. During that time span members of the group earned two National Student of the Year awards, and two National Researcher of the Year awards.

Don received many honors and awards during his work career they include: President of the Professors of Educational Administration National Association, Founding Faculty member of the National Leadership Honor Society, Chair of the College Relations Committee of the Society for Human Resource Management. Don was named the Outstanding Faculty Member by the Business Administration Honor Society, and he was awarded the Lifetime Award of Merit by the SUNY- Oswego Alumni Association.

Don is married to Marlene. They met as undergraduates at SUNY-Oswego. They have three sons; David a CPA in Oswego, Jeffrey a Chef D’Cusine at the Turning Stone Casino, and Michael a teacher and basketball/Lacrosse coach at Noble and Greenough School, Dedham Mass. The also have seven grand children. Don and Marlene make their home in Baldwinsville, New York.