PG Edward Kolek Honored During Armed Forces Week

Lt. Colonel Edward M. Kolek was one of eleven honorees at the 47th Annual Western New York Armed Forces’ Week Opening Ceremony in Buffalo and Erie County Navel & Military Park.

Kiwani Past Governor Ed was honored for his service in W.W.II and continued work with our service men and women. Ed, a bomber pilot, was one of the first members of the United States Air Force when it was formed from the Army Air Corp. in 1947.

The event started a week long celebration and remembrance of all that have served their country. Units from the United States and Canada participated. Honor guards represented Cadets, High Schools, Colleges, Active service personnel from across the Western part of New York and Ontario Canada. The event included a fly over of aircraft used in W.W.II.

Ed will be serving on the Committee to honor our Military at the District Convention in Buffalo August 15 to 19th.

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messages for our troops. One of the messages read: To our boys over seas, This is a time for you to come home and kiss your wife and children. I wish I was there with you, so I could help. Hurry and come home, we love you. Oceanside Sailors Aktion Club.

(Thanks to LG JoAnn Giretti for sharing that card with us.)

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the upcoming camp season. Please get your applications in as soon as possible as the spots are filling up. You can call the district office or Rebecca at Camp Kiwanis for applications and details. If you would like to sponsor a child during military week, which is the week of July 1st – July 7th, please send us a check for $500 per child. We have children whose parent or parents are in the armed service and would like to attend our camp.

Remember that we run our camp at about break even. We need your contributions to help pay the bills. In particular, we need to drill a new water well. Also, for all the work we have completed over the last 10 or so years, we are into our credit line more than $300,000. We would like to pay this down. If anyone knows where we can get grant monies, please let us know.

For those clubs who have not yet contributed to our Outreach Program, please do so. We use this money to purchase necessities for the children who attend our camp. Some of them come without a toothbrush, comb, underwear, etc. and we use this money to purchase these items. Our Kaiser Program is doing great thanks to Fran Hogan and Maureen Neuringer.

Thanks to Joe Carcase for all the support and Nyla have given us, especially all the advertisements and publicity. See you in Buffalo.

DPG James T. Hebrón Honored for Dedication

The Kiwanis Club of NORTH SHORE, Long Island North Division – recently held a testimonial dinner to honor Distinguished Past Governor and member James T. Hebrón and his wife, Binky (Betty) for their dedication in serving our community.

There were over 65 guests present to celebrate this illustrious event which included five past NY District Kiwanis Governors.

Jim Hebrón’s 60 years of community service included serving in the U.S. Army where he received the Bronze Star with Cluster, the Purple Heart and the Combat Infantry Medal.

On the home front, Jim received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Nassau County Chapter of the NYS Society of Professional Engineers, Award of Merit and The Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America; as an active Charter member of the North Shore Kiwanis Club he served as NY District Governor, receiving numerous awards including the prestigious Honor for the Tablet of Honor.

DPG Jim continues to serve on the Board of Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center and for his exemplary work he has been given Life Membership in the North Shore Club as well as in Kiwanis International. The latest award is a Proclamation citing a four-year scholarship to be named “The James T. Hebron Scholarship Award.”

Our current Governor Joseph Corace, center, was joined by Past Governors David Rothman, John Gridley, Glenn Hollins and Peter Mancuso to add their voices of congratulations for DPG James Hebrón dedicated community service.

Jim is known in his home club as “Mr. Kiwanis” for his ability to mentor several members while participating in many community service projects.

Governor Joseph Corace’s Everyday Hero Awards were presented to Jim and Binky, for their consistent support over the years, by North Shore President Herbert Schierhorst and Distinguished Past President and current Secretary Olga Sciletti.

Maddalena Receives Kaiser Award

At the recent Genesee visit, DPLG Guy Desant, Governor Joe Carcase, Kaiser Recipient Peter S. Maddalena, Frank Romeo and Eastridge Irontech President Frank D’Aurizio all pose for a proud photo.

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