Gov. Glenn and First Lady Sue Attend Lewiston Kiwanis Peach Festival

The Kiwanis Club of LEWISTON, Niagara Frontier North Division – Governor Glenn and Sue were up at 4:40am to catch their 6:30 flight to Buffalo NY. On arrival in Buffalo, they were picked up at the airport at 8:15am by DPLG Jack Hanrahan and his wife Bev, who whisked them away to Lewiston where they would have their first experience at the Lewiston Peach Festival.

After arriving at their Bed and Breakfast (B&B), they had little time to rest, and quickly were riding in the Annual Peach Festival Parade. Afterwards, they enjoyed sitting in the reviewing stand. There were 125 units in the parade. Many of these units were made up of children’s various groups in the community such as Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts, cheerleading groups of all ages, from kindergarten to senior high school, many groups of physically and mentally challenged children and adults, and various local church groups. The parade is strictly a community activity.

Governor Glenn and Sue were then introduced and made very welcome at the famous Lewiston Kiwanis Peach Tent where all the Peach Shortcakes were prepared. They donned the uniform of the day “The Apron” and they went to work making and selling Peach Shortcakes.

They also watched the crowning of the little 5-year-old boy “Peach Fuzz 2005” Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday evening they watched the “Grand Finale” the crowning of the 2005 “Lewiston Kiwanis Peach Queen” who was awarded a $2,500 scholarship along with other nice prizes.

During the ceremony while the judges were making their final decision on the winner, Governor Glenn was called to the stage to be presented with a $500 check for the Foundation for Camp Kiwanis from the Lewiston Kiwanis Club.

The Lewiston Kiwanis Club was very proud that Governor Glenn and Sue took the time out of their busy schedule to come and be part of Niagara County’s biggest event.

First and foremost, I would like to thank each and every Lt. Governor for assuming the responsibilities of their newly installed office. I congratulate you and look forward to creating a team of “Glenn’s Energizers,” who will continue to provide much needed community service.

As our year begins, and the Holiday season approaches us, I am reminded of all we have to be thankful for. If your club can, please try to provide food baskets for families in need. You can visit a nursing home or hospital and show people how much Kiwanians care.

We have a lot of fun work cut out for us. In the next ESK we will have details about our Governor’s Project, “Child Safety.” I hope all Kiwanians will participate in events to further this important goal.

You will also find in the next ESK an outline of the criteria for being a Distinguished Kiwanian. Membership is always a priority for our clubs. It is as simple as – the more member we have, the more service we can provide. Appoint a Membership Chair for your club and attend the training.

On page fourteen, you can read about a new “Public Relations Banner Patch” we have designed to encourage Kiwanians to get the word out. The more people know about Kiwanis, the more fertile the ground will be to grow members. Have fun at your events and remember to send out press releases and call the media for coverage.

The new school year has begun and our Sponsored Youth Programs are underway. If you do not have a K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K or Aktion Club, you are truly missing out on a wonderful partnership. The children can be a great source of pride and help to our Kiwanis Clubs. Consider starting one today. We have many District Chairs willing to help.

This year we will be celebrating Kiwanis International’s 90th Anniversary, January 17-24th every club will be asked to hold a Birthday Party. Be on the lookout for events to celebrate. On page 5, Past International President Tony Kaiser’s, District Historian, has some details. Let’s celebrate our organization and share its wonderful story.

As you prepare for the upcoming year, remember to put some money in your budget for our International Convention in Hawaii this summer. PG Tom DeJulio will be running for Kiwanis International Trustee and we need to get there and support his efforts.

Susan and I look forward to meeting each and everyone of you at our Governor’s visits. We are here to help you have a very successful year in every way we can.

May you and your families be blessed with a joyous season. May your clubs prosper and may we all enjoy good health.

First Lady Sue and Gov. Glenn stop for a photo with Niagara Frontier North PLG Ken Bell.

Governor Glenn and First Lady Susan ride in Lewiston’s Peach Festival parade car.

Governor Glenn poses with 2005 Peach Fuzz winner Nicholas Christman.

Governor Glenn puts on an apron and prepares the famous Peach Shortcakes.

2005 newly crowned Peach Queen Carley Guariglia pose with Governor Glenn and Sue and Lewiston’s President Ernie Krell.

Hoosick Falls Members Become Distinguished

PLG Gov Ken Ormiston congratulated several members of the Hoosick Falls Kiwanis Club on becoming Distinguished Kiwanians. Left to right: Gale Leva, Georgia Main, Gene Salluzzo, LG Jean Andrick. Standing: Dale Lee, Phil Leonard, PLG Ormiston, and Bob Harrington. Missing from the photo is Larry Baker.

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