Jamestown Holds Fun Fair for Adults and Kids

The Kiwanis Club of JAMESTOWN, Southwestern Division — recently held a “Fun Fair” for adults and children enrolled in the Compeer Chautauqua organization. These individuals are looking for mentors, friends, partners to share experiences and company. The hall was decorated in a “fair” type of arrangement. A magician (Kiwanian Mark Parsons) held the children’s attention as well.

It’s an honor to be the Kiwanis International Trustee assigned to counsel the great New York District during the 2006-07 Kiwanis year. Suanne and I have already made many new friends from attending your district convention, and we look forward to working with you to build on the many great Kiwanis accomplishments in the district.

Please know that the district and national structures of Kiwanis exist solely for the purpose of helping local clubs in the areas of service and membership. With that in mind, each time I write an article for your district bulletin, I’ll include a quick hint that might be useful for your club.

This issue’s quick hint involves Key Club, Circle K and/or Builders Club. If your club sponsors one or more of these Kiwanis Family clubs, consider including their presidents as ex-officio members of your Kiwanis Club’s board of directors. This idea encourages the young people to learn how our clubs do business on a monthly basis, and it will hopefully make them more aware of their partnership in the Kiwanis Family. It may also promote a natural desire to continue their Kiwanis Family involvement when they are in the workforce and ready to join a service club.

Again, thanks to the many Kiwanians who made us feel so welcome at the district convention. Let’s continue having fun while working hard to make Kiwanis the best service organization in the world. Each one of us can make a difference — especially when you ask somebody to join your Kiwanis Club!

Gravesend Kiwanians Celebrate 50 Years of Dedicated Service

The Kiwanis Club of GRAVESEND, Brooklyn Division — celebrated 50 years of community service with a gala dinner-dance and entertainment on June 17th. There were over 200 guests in attendance. Past President Michael Burke and President Joseph Romagnolo were honored with the prestigious Kaiser Fellowship Awards. A special raffle was held during the event to support the Sandoval family. Recently, they incurred many medical bills and Gravesend wanted to help defray those medical expenses.

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