PELLITTIERI BECOMES NEW YORK GOVERNOR

Doreen B. Pellittieri (center) is officially installed as New York District Governor by International President Don R. Canaday (right), as DPLG Peter Pellittieri, Finger Lakes Division (left) looks on proudly. Governor Pellittieri displays her Certificate of Election.

See the New York District Mid-Winter Registration Form on page 13
Report of the International Trustee

Growth

Pursuant to the “Flexibility Amendment” passed by the House of Delegates in San Antonio in 2007, KI approved “piloting” two membership initiatives: Company-based Kiwanis clubs and Club Satellites.

Company-based Kiwanis Clubs:

A Kiwanis club can exist within a large business or company, paying an annual club “franchise” fee of $2,500.00 for up to 35 members. Upon Board approval, Districts will receive one-third of this fee. Pilot company clubs are currently being formed at a large law firm in midtown Manhattan and at a Walmart Distribution Plant in Indianapolis. The Board sees company-based clubs as an opportunity to expand Kiwanis and its “house” brands of Service Leadership programs to a new audience of volunteers not currently bounded by or limited to a geographically defined community.

Club Satellites:

A Club Satellite can be opened in areas that may not be able to sustain a club of charter size. Members of Club Satellites can be added to the rosters of thriving “classic” Kiwanis clubs which serve as “host” to their one or more satellites established in schools, hospitals, other non-profit agencies, and other appropriate entities/locations. The Board also sees the potential for Club Satellites established in response to requests for charter revocation of small, struggling clubs (less than 10 members) whose members wish to retain their membership in Kiwanis but who may not be able to regularly travel to and actively participate in their host club meetings. The members of Club Satellites will be expected to pay the annual club dues established by their host Kiwanis club but are expected to continue to perform Kiwanis service within their own orbit of operation. Members of Club Satellites may have a common interest, community, hobby, or single-service focus (i.e., K-Kids or Key Club sponsorship). The Board sees Club Satellites as an opportunity to expand and/or retain a Kiwanis volunteer presence in more areas.

Finance

Despite the declining stock market and significant loss of investment income, KI should end FY 08 with a surplus thanks primarily to tighter budget controls, aggressive oversight by the Board’s Finance Committee and its Independent Financial Advisor, staff reorganization, and significant savings in KI Board expenses. The Board also approved a balanced budget for FY09 with more than $250,000 in new initiatives. As a member of the Finance Committee this year, I and the Board reviewed proposals presented to it by a special Revenue Task Force, headed by Trustee Don Sanker. The Board will be approving significant changes to the current dues structure and collection process which will require bylaw amendments to be presented at the Nashville-2009 convention. Likely included among them will be the elimination of the “new member ADD fee” to be replaced by pro-rata dues collection, and the restoration of the one fixed annual date for payment of International and District dues, to replace the current “three-part” dues collection process. I was invited to join this Revenue Task Force to provide continuity of service and advice in these important financial areas, as well as to develop recommendations for the KI Magazine Fund and International Convention Fund.

Leadership

The KI Leadership Development Committee which I chaired this past year began developing competency-based curriculum for all levels of Kiwanis leadership, including online training and Revenue Task Force Board. The Board has been invited by KI President Don Canaday to continue work in this area on the International level, supporting staff in its efforts to utilize these new tools and processes to Presidents-elect next Spring. Over the next two years, I was also asked to lead with Past Distinguished Governor Pat Hawkins of the Indiana district the International Committee on Service Leadership Programs. Its objective is to strengthen and expand Kiwanis branded programs serving youth and young adults.

Other Important Information:

The Board voted Geneva, Switzerland as the site for the 2011 International Convention (July 5-10, 2011). Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas E. DeJulio Kiwanis International Trustee 2005-08

Webster Club Starts a New Year

“WOW what a time we had.” Now that the District convention is over, I can kick back and reflect. I have surveyed over 35 Kiwanians from different divisions around our district to get their views, criticisms, and comments on the convention. Their response was the opening phrase to this article. We had set out four years ago to bring new venues to our district convention, and I am glad to report “we have succeeded.”

The convention began with the opening ceremony of the Oneida youth welcoming us in their traditional war dance and dance which was nothing less than amazing. Turning Stone Resort and Casino staff was exceptionally helpful and courteous to all.

This year’s convention had 517 Kiwanians and guests registered with the district, a number we haven’t seen in some time. The Veterans Luncheon was an awesome tribute to our men and women in uniform – not even the little rain shower could dampen the marching band and color guard from making an impressive entrance. Thanks to Al Federico and Bob Catalano for their work on making this tribute to our Veterans a memorable one. Golfers expressed the beauty of the serene grounds of the course they played on, Friday evening, we all had the opportunity to share some Hors d’oeuvres, drinks, and conversation with the Convention Honorees Jim and Mary Yochum at the Shenandoah Club House.

The forums were a little tight on space, but we managed to get by. I was impressed with the tables for our papers in front of us for the general sessions. What a time was had by all at the Governors Reception and Dinner Party! I commented before time, “you will see food here that we had never seen before at a convention dinner.” The raw bar, the hors ‘d oeuvres, the filet minion with crab-stuffed shrimp, and lastly, who could forget the bananas foster dessert, were all delicious.

I greatly appreciated all those who had commented on how beautiful the facility was, how exceptional the staff was, how amazing the food was, and oh yea, it was a great convention!

A special thanks to the Central Division and LT. Gov. Fred Jaynes and First Lady Nora for all the help and preparation in making this convention spectacular. For those Kiwanians who had missed this one, District Chair Melanie will produce one just as amazing in Albany, so see you there.

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

Sammis Gets Legion of Merit

Kiwanis Club of HUNTINGTON, Suffolk West Division – at a recent club meeting presented a special award to Marge Sammis. Sammis was honored with 23 year Legion of Merit Award for her many years of dedicated service to Kiwanis and the children of the world. Marge has served as Huntington Board Member for many years.

Pictured above, left to right: President Tom Monks, Legion of Merit recipient Marge Sammis, and PP Gerry Asher.

Pictured from left to right are LT. Governor Carole Bubb, Immediate Past President Tom Servis, President Ron Kampff, and Governor Doreen Pellittieri. This marks the first time that the Webster Club will have both the LT Governor and Governor serving in the same year. Congratulations and good luck to all Kiwanians across New York State!

District Convention Report

Joe Battista

November 2008
NY District Unanimously Endorses Thomas DeJulio 2010 International VP

WHEREAS, Thomas E. DeJulio, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Fordham University, Bronx, NY, has successfully assumed significant leadership positions within the Kiwanis family, having served as Mount Vernon, NY High School Key Club President; Charter President and Co-Founder of the Circle K Club at Fordham University; Mount Vernon, NY Kiwanis Club President; Bronx-Westchester South Division Lt. Governor; New York District Circle K Administrator for five years; and 1996-97 New York District Governor; and WHEREAS, Thomas E. DeJulio has completed more than ten years of service on the Kiwanis International level, chairing the Kiwanis International Public Relations Committee and the Resolutions and Bylaws Committee; serving with distinction as a member of the first Kiwanis International Committee on Diversity and a member of the Executive and Finance committees of the Board of Trustees; chairing the Board Committee on Leadership Development and having been appointed to head various leadership committees of Kiwanis International over the next two years; and WHEREAS, for the past three years, Thomas E. DeJulio has served as an elected Trustee of the Kiwanis International Board, assigned as Board Counselor to the Circle K International Board of Trustees, and assigned to impart his wisdom and experience to counsel New York and six other districts to enhance our organization’s membership growth and service leadership programs; and WHEREAS, for 36 years, Thomas E. DeJulio has been employed by Fordham University in various positions, serving as its Grants Officer, Assistant Director of Sponsored Research, Budget Director, Assistant Executive Vice President, and General Counsel; and WHEREAS, during his 42 years of service in the Kiwanis family, Thomas E. DeJulio has touched the lives of many seeking his personal leadership, knowledge, counsel, and support; and WHEREAS, Tom’s wife, Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, a Distinguished Past Lieutenant Governor, Certified Trainer and Master Instructor, and past International Chair in her own right, has been both his partner in life and a true partner in all of Tom’s Kiwanis work.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Delegates assembled at this 91st Annual New York District Convention congratulates Tom on his four decades of service in the Kiwanis Family and unanimously endorses the election of Thomas E. DeJulio to the office of Kiwanis International Vice-President at the 2010 Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, and heartily pledges the efforts of all members of the New York District in support of his candidacy.

Adopted this 9th day of August, 2008.
J. DONALD HERRING
2007-08 District Governor
JUSTIN UNDERWOOD
2007-08 District Secretary

Lyme President Politano Presents Farenga With Brittany Fellowship

Bronx Westchester South DPLG Angie Politano, also President of the Lyme Disease Foundation presents a Brittany Fellowship Award to Pat Farenga. In the photo left to right: International Trustee Tom DeJulio, recipient Pat Farenga, DPLG Angie Politano, DPLG Palma Volino and 2007-08 Governor Don Herring.
Lewiston Kiwanis Tees Bring Message of Hope to Iraqi Children

The Kiwanis Club of LEWISTON, Niagara Frontier North Division – Kiwanians know how to fulfill their service mission to children in the most challenging places around the globe. Lt. Colonel Patrick Roemer, Commander of the 447th Expeditionary Civil Engineer (ECE) Squadron, is a Lewiston New York Kiwanian deployed from the Niagara Falls NY Air Reserve Station who brought hope to orphaned children in Iraq.

Some 200 Lewiston Kiwanis shirts were distributed to Iraqi children in an orphanage in Baghdad while Lt. Colonel Roemer led his squadron to volunteer their “free time” to make badly needed repairs to the facilities.

On the home front, Kiwanis Lt. Governor and Lewiston member Chuck Stojaek coordinated the delivery of the shirts from his club to his fellow Kiwanian and others from the Buffalo area stationed in Baghdad. Stojaek reports that the school repairs were as well received as the “white” t-shirts, a color and style found “cooler” than customarily worn by Iraqi children.

Merrick Supply Drive Gets An A+ Grade

61 local needy students started off the school year with bright new backpacks filled with every required item on their teacher’s school supply list, and new clothes as well, thanks to the Kiwanis Club of Merrick and the overwhelming generosity of the community.

Kiwanians spent two weekends in August collecting supplies and cash donations outside three local pharmacies. The club then purchased additional items to complete the list from each child’s teacher, and also gave each child a $100 gift card to Old Navy.

All schools in the district provided the club with the children’s names and the supplies they needed. The bags were packed and delivered to each child’s home the week before school started.

Joy Freeman Welcomed Into the Ranks by Fordham Past Presidents

Fordham Kiwanis past club presidents welcome Francisceline “Joy” Freeman (second from right) as their new leader for 2008-09. From left, Immediate Past President Vincent Volino, Distinguished Past Presidents Susan Bruculleri, Dr. Georgina Arendacs, Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, Joy Freeman, and Sister Anne Marie Kirmse. The Fordham club will be celebrating its twentieth charter anniversary in 2009.
International Foundation

It is never too late to give!

It is never too late for clubs to make their contribution to the Annual Club Gift Campaign. By doing so, your club can earn 10 points towards Distinguished Club provided that the contribution is $5/member as of the club’s 10/01/08 membership count.

Not only are you helping the Ki Foundation but you will be helping support our Sponsored Youth, Key Leader Program, Disaster Relief, Grants and educational programs such as Club Leadership Training for Club Presidents and Secretaries.

I look forward to working with all the clubs in the 2008-09 administrative year as Governor Doreen has re-appointed me to be her KIF Chair for the NY District.

Thanks for your donations, as they were the highest that the NY District has ever given to date. Let’s do even better in 2008-09

Franklin Square

Mom Asks All To Have A Heart

The Kiwanis Club of FRANKLIN SQUARE, Long Island South Central Division – Hi, My name is Krista and I am, thankfully, the mother of two healthy children. I am contacting you on behalf of other “not so fortunate” parents.

I am involved with an organization called “HAVE A HEART” CHILDREN’S CANCER SOCIETY. They raise money that directly benefits families who have a child battling cancer, working closely with the social workers in hospitals who can readily identify the families in dire financial need. The monies are used to help defray medical costs, and other mounting bills due to the possible loss of the income of the caretaker parent.

This past Halloween a gala event was held called the “KIDS HELPING KIDS HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL at the Plattdeutsche Park Restaurant in Franklin Square, Long Island. Local kids are helped raise funds, advertise, decorate and participated in running the event. What a fun way to expose our kids to the joys of “KIDS HELPING KIDS”!

For anyone interested any donation would be greatly appreciated. Also, I would ask you to please forward this message to your network of friends and family – needless to say-- small donations from many can create extraordinary results for so many in need.

To make a donation – log onto www.haveaheartcharity.org IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO REFERENCE ‘THE KIDS HELPING KIDS HALLOWEEN CAMPAIGN’ on your check or in the comments section of the credit card donation screen. Heartfelt thanks in advance for your generosity!!!

Kiwanians Welcome Uniondale Club into New York District

The New Kiwanis Club of UNIONDALE, Long Island South Central Division – celebrated Charter Night at Commerce Bank in East Meadow his past September, 2008. Robert Bullock, manager of the bank and charter member of the new club hosted a wonderful event. The Uniondale High School Key Club catered the affair. New Club president is Andrea Battle-Brown who is also the advisor for the Uniondale Key Club.

About 70 Kiwanians and friends attended. Lt. Gov. Mary Burns and 2007-08 Gov. Don Herrig shared the installation duties. LG Mary installed the members and Gov. Don installed the directors and officers. Awards were given to the recruiting team. The new club was given a diversity banner patch by the Governor and also a banner patch for the First Lady’s project by First Lady Marlene.

Eleven clubs of the LISC Division were represented to kick-off this new club. The three clubs sponsoring the new club were East Meadow, Hempstead, and Wantagh. It was an exciting evening. Thanks to Bill Moseley the photographer for his participation. …
Rich Gillette Gets Kiwanian of Year

Kingston’s Rich Gillette presented Kiwanian of the Year award.

The Kiwanis Club of KINGSTON, Hudson River Division – held their 34th annual Van Deusen Dinner on June 5th to award the 2008 Kiwanian of the Year honor to one of their members. Fred Van Deusen was a member of the Kingston Club for many years and epitomized the word “service.” He never missed a meeting and served his community well into his seventies. The Kiwanian of the Year award is an honor for not only what it represents but WHO it represents. The award is given to the Kiwanian who best exemplifies the Kiwanis obligation to children and our community and who does so with the same enthusiasm and willingness that Fred did. This year’s recipient, Rich Gillette, was chosen for the principles he presents and the service he has given to our club. The award was presented to Rich by Holly Sass, the 2007 recipient.

LG Rick Strum Installs Helderbergs 2008-09 Officers

The Kiwanis Club of the HELDERBERGS, Capital Division – recently installed its new officers. Doing the honors was the Lt. Governor Rick Sturm. From left to right: Lt. Governor Rick Sturm, First Vice President Bev Filkins, President Russ Pokorny, Secretary Zenie Gladieux and Immediate Past President Jan Van Etten. Not present for the picture were Second Vice President Sue Mason and Treasurer Amy Pokorny.

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Glendale Kiwanis Celebrates 55 Years of Dedicated Community Service

Past Presidents of the Glendale Club join for a celebration of 55 Years of dedicated service to the community.

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Glendale President Joe Aiello, Queens West Lt. Governor Angelo Maltaghati, PLG Peter Pellittieri, DPG & International Trustee Tom DeJulio, DPG Joe Corace, PLG Nydia Corace, PLG Dennis Rosa, President Leo Galante. Seated: PLG Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, Governor Doreen Pellittieri, PLG Mickey Leamey, Pauline Maltaghati.

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DPG Jim and Mary Yochum named Convention Honorees.

Past International President Jerry Christiano (right) presents Ernie Smith, as the newest Christiano Award winner. PDG Don Herring adds his voice in praise of all the efforts Ernie makes on behalf of Kiwanis and the New York District. Mary Lou Smith (center) congratulates Ernie.

David Booker, gets nod for Governor-Elect position.

Left: International Trustees Don Sanker and Tom DeJulio offer best wishes to all NY District officers.
2008-2009 New York

LG Bonnie Fenwick
Adirondack

LG Douglas Hickey
Bronx Westchester South

LG Joseph Saia
Brooklyn

LG Rick Sturm
Capital

LG Frederick E Jaynes
Central

LG Rachelle D Sherman
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LG Carole Bubb
Finger Lakes

LG Franklin D’Aurizio
Genesee

LG Matthew C Hall
Hudson River

LG James Lawler
Hudson River West

LG James Holden
Hudson Tri-County

LG Dominick M. Versace
Long Island North

LG Jo-Ann Delgado
Long Island South Central

LG Ralph DeSena
Long Island Southwest

LG Peter Yu
Metropolitan

LG Al Stahl
Mohawk
Central Adirondack Kiwanians Sponsor a Kayak Event on Moose River to Dam

The Kiwanian Club of the Central Adirondacks, Capital Division – On Wednesday, October 8, in cooperation with the Town of Webb Union Free School District and Tickner’s Canoes sponsored a kayak event on the Moose River for a group of 47 children from the community.

At 2:15 PM, children from 3rd to 6th grade arrived at Tickner’s Canoes and embarked on a one-hour trip on the river up to the Old Forge Pond Dam.

Sheila Brady, Kiwanis Chairperson for the event stated, “They loved it, some of them had never been in a kayak, and others had never been on the Moose River. Many had loved the experience last year and were eager to return. It was a beautiful day, and they all had a good time”.

Kiwanis members and friends of Kiwanis assisted with the event. Helping out were Kiwanis Club President Sheila Brady, Deb Carhart, Bill Ransom and Bob Van Slyke. In addition, volunteers Rex Germer, Town of Webb School Principal, Mary Ann Ransom and Phil Freese assisted at the event. Dan Tickner of Tickner’s Canoes was all prepared for the children when they arrived with kayaks, paddles and personal floatation devices all out and ready to go.

Following the paddle up the river, the children were treated to cider and donuts provided by the Kiwanis Club. With plenty of enthusiasm left after the paddle Bill Ransom lead in a game of hide and seek.

The Kayak project is an outgrowth of the survey conducted several years ago by the Youth Commission to identify wilderness and tourist experiences that local children might have an interest in and not have the opportunity to enjoy in our tourism-oriented community. Other outdoor programs have included a climb to the top of Rondaxe (Bald) Mountain and Snowshoeing.

Gravesend Honors Mike Burke with KPTC Fellowship Award

President Jim Connerty noted that the award winners represent the many members of the local Kiwanian Club that are working throughout the year to provide the many youth oriented programs provided by the club.

Al Stripey, of Old Forge, a member of the club for many years and Past Treasurer was recognized for his long time Distinguished Community Service especially to the children of the Central Adirondacks.

The Kiwanian Club of Gravesend, Brooklyn Division – with great pleasure announces that the Kiwanis members accord Kiwanian Mike Burke the honor of Fellowship Award in the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. After a moving presentation by Governor Corace, Gravesend contributed $1,000 to the KPTC. This past August, President Mike Ricotto accompanied Gov. Joe Corace to Mike Burke’s home. With Jennifer (Mike’s wife) present, they presented Mike with the KPTC medal and ribbon, lapel pin and shadowbox plaque.

In addition, Governor Joe obtained a personally signed letter by present Governor Don Herring, as well as International President Dave Curry. Thank you so much, Governor Joe!!!

This is an honor long-due Mike. He has worked tirelessly for the good of Kiwanis, contributing time and resources to help those less privileged. Mike has also been an inspiration to me personally since joining Kiwanis 3 years ago. Please join me in congratulating Mike on this very special honor. Let us also keep him in our thoughts and prayers for a full recovery.

If you would like to personally congratulate Mike, he may be reached at 718-438-6846. I know he would love to hear from all of us (this would especially cheer him up).
Symptoms of Lyme Disease in Pets

Symptoms of Lyme disease in animals are similar to the symptoms in humans. Although you will not see a skin rash on your pet, they can experience a range of symptoms.

IN DOGS: Some infected dogs do not experience any symptoms of Lyme disease. Symptoms include lethargy, arthritis (displayed as joint pain, shifting from foot to foot, and lameness), fever, fatigue, and kidney damage. Symptoms can become chronic.

IN CATS: While there is some debate about whether cats suffer from Lyme disease, cats are thought to be highly resistant to the disease.

TREATMENT OF LYME DISEASE IN PETS: As with humans, animals are generally treated for Lyme disease with certain antibiotics. However, you should consult your veterinarian about proper treatment of your pet.
Bowling Green’s K-Kids Work with Key Club and Kiwanis to Encourage Reading to Preschoolers

The newly chartered BOWLING GREEN K-KIDS were pleased to host the East Meadow High School Key Club, the W. Tresper Clarke Key Club and their sponsor, the Kiwanis Club of East Meadow as the four K-Family clubs worked together to complete the K-Kids first service project.

Through the financial support to the East Meadow Kiwanis Club, preschool appropriate board books were purchased along with Native American dream catchers and assembled by the Kiwanians, Key Clubbers and K-Kids into book packets to be given to needy families with preschool children.

This service project was inspired by NYD Kiwanis First Lady Marlene Herrig. First Lady Marlene’s of Native American descent and was a reading teacher for many years. Her project seeks to provide information about the importance of reading to young children and the academic advantages these read-alouds give these children when they reach school age. First Lady Marlene’s Native American heritage was reflected through the inclusion of dream catchers in each book packet. Hopefully the dream catchers will symbolically suggest to the parents to read to their preschoolers at bedtime.

The Bowling Green K-Kids were especially excited to work with the high schoolers from the Key Clubs. The following day in school, Faculty Advisor Rich Santer was thrilled by the “buzz” about how much the K-Kids “loved” their Key Club partners and how “cool” one or another Key Clubber was.

The Key Clubbers served as truly positive role models for the K-Kids and inspired them to become even more enthusiastic about community service at a young age. Both the K-Kids and the Key Clubbers are already looking to plan their next joint service project.

Kia Receives Madenberg Award

The Kiwanis Club of ITHACA-CAYUGA, Chemung Division – Kia Albertson-Rogers, of Spencer, received the Doug Madenberg Award from the Kiwanis Club of Ithaca-Cayuga. The Doug Madenberg Award is the highest honor a Key Clubber can receive from the New York District, and is named after the District’s first Key Club International President.

Doug Madenberg, from Walt Whitman High School, served from 1988-1989 and he represented not only the New York District, but also the entire organization in his dedication to serve. The award has two purposes: to show someone that he or she is appreciated by what she or he has done for Key Club. In addition, the award also raises money to benefit the Key Club Worldwide Service Project, currently the Swazi Children Care Project. The purpose of this project is to build Neighborhood Care Points to provide food and shelter for children whose families have died from HIV/AIDS.

Albertson-Luders has served as Key Club International Trustee for the last year, and was a liaison for the Louisiana-Mississippi-Tennessee District, the Michigan District, and the New England District. As an advisor and a liaison, she visited their districts at least twice throughout the year, provided them with monthly updates of news from the international level, and offered bi-monthly internet updates, monthly chats, and initiated a Sister District Service Project between board members from the three districts. In 2006-07, Albertson-Rogers was awarded the Robert F. Lucas Outstanding Lieutenant Governor for his leadership of Division 22.

Albertson-Rogers was one of 9 Key Clubbers in Division 22, and out of 5 students in the Spencer-Van Etten High School, to be named a Distinguished Key Clubber for outstanding service to the community for the 2007-2008 year. The other students from S-VE who received Distinguished Key Clubber were Teri Bunce, Luke Davis, Preston Rimby, and Shelby Stevens. Six students from S-VE attended District Convention, accompanied by Jessica Browne, the S-VE Key Club Faculty Advisor.

The Spencer-Van Etten High School Key Club is involved with numerous community service projects, including the Empty Bowls Projects to raise funds for the Spencer Food Pantry, Spencer highway clean-up, and fundraising for UNICEF, March of Dimes, the Food Bank of the Southern Tier and other local organizations. The Spencer-Van Etten Key Club is sponsored by the Ithaca-Cayuga Kiwanis Club.
Peninsula Holds Wine Night to Benefit Kamp

Kiwanis Club of PENISULA, Long Island Southwest Division – held its 4th Annual DPLG Domenic Sciarrotta Amateur Wine Making Contest to Benefit Kamp Kiwanis. The event raised almost $7,000, for Kamp Kiwanis.

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our divisions are made up of many different clubs with the goal of “serving one child, one community at a time!”

We had the opportunity to expand our relationship with our sponsored youth beginning with the Circle K International Speaking Conference in Lake George October 31 – Nov. 02, 2008 which usually ends on Sunday morning with the Circle K Board members taking a dip in Lake George. We met again with the New York District, Circle K and Key Club Boards at our Kiwanis Family Weekend November 14 – 16, 2008 in Albany at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. We are looking forward to both of these opportunities.

Our Mid-Winter Conference will be at the Hudson Valley Resort February 19 – 22, 2008. We are in the midst of planning how we will “celebrate the diversity” of our membership here in New York. We are also planning a Membership Growth Summit as well as other forums. Several workshops have been requested. One will provide the opportunity for clubs to share their ideas about and give examples of successful fund raising events. Clubs are interested in learning what the process is to become a 501c3 foundation. Please plan to have enough members attend this conference from your club so that you will be able to have representatives at each of these forums as well as others that will be announced. Let’s not forget that we will also have time for fun and fellowship!

I hope everyone has marked their calendar to attend the International Convention scheduled on June 25–28, 2009 in Nashville. The New York District has been assigned to the Opryland Resort I hope to see you all at the Mid-Winter Conference when more information will be provided.

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Fellowship allows Kiwanis Clubs to honor Service Leadership Club members or for Service Leadership Clubs to honor their own or Kiwanians. For information please download the information flyer available on our new website.

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stricken with pediatric Lyme’s Disease so that they may be given a chance to live normal, healthy and happy lives. My grandfather not only took the time to learn, he educated and spark awareness in people about the devastating effects this illness can have on people in their daily lives.

Almost ten years later, I sit here writing my college admissions essay realizing that through this perfect man, in my eyes, is a man that has saved not only my life, but many other lives, through a foundation that was founded by him. He watched me suffer from this disease that I was born with and misdiagnosed with until I was seven.

This disease is not just debilitating to the patient stricken with it, but the financial burden that it causes families is horrible. What I admire most is that the Pediatric Lyme Foundation's is that it raises money to help relieve the families of some of the financial burdens. They do this through a Brittany Fellowship Award, named after myself, in honor of my grandfather for his dedication to everyone that has unfortunately been diagnosed with any tick born illnesses that needed assistance. Not just financial support, but support in many ways. The support includes counseling, or just by sitting by a fam ily w ho needed support for a new  treatm ent, or accepting a late night phone call to let them  know  w e know  w hat they are going through and that we’re there for them no m atter w hat they need.

Not m any people know  how  bad this disease is and that not everyone is fortunate enough to have an amazing grandfather, friend, or support group that I have grow n to have.

I have learned that I can be anything I set overcom e m e.

DeStio Honors Scholarship Winners

The Kiwanis Club of NORTH SHORE Long Island North Division – North Shore Kiwanis President Tom DeStio, right, honors the clubs 2008 scholarship winners, who are, from left, Ashley Kim, Peter Votive and Stephen DiDarno. The scholarships are awarded based upon a combination of scholastic excellence and community service.

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Webb Kiwanis Key Club Celebrates

North Shore Kiwanis Goes Pumpkin Pickin’

Above: Webb Key Club Members.
The Kiwanis Club of CENTRAL ADIRONDACK, Central Division – Key Club of The Town of Webb School celebrated a very successful year and elected officers for the 2008-9 school year.
Participation Certificates were presented to the 59 Key Club Members. In addition, special certificates for over 30 hours of Community Service were presented to 33 of the Club Members. Diane Amos, Key Club Advisor, announced that the Key Club members contributed 1,687 hours of Community Service this year. Ms. Amos congratulated the students on their commitment to their school, the club and their community.
Kiwanis Club Leadership presented Ms. Amos with a Distinguished Key Club Advisor Certificate for her tireless efforts guiding the club this year.
Activities that Key Club members participated in this year included, Annual Intergenerational FREE Car Wash with Kiwanis, Camp Mark VIII Race, Christmas for Kids spaghetti dinner, Halloween Pumpkin Fest, Snofest, Art Center quilt show & baby sitting, moving bags for salvation army at Nickols Church, Polar Bear ski club spaghetti dinner, Christmas for Kids, Dog sled race in Inlet, Community Youth Activity Center (KYAC) spaghetti dinner, Blood drive, cookie decorating at Holiday Bazaar, Thanksgiving cocoa & Santa helpers during Christmas on Main St, Relay for Life, and Habitat for Humanity. These are just some of the organized activities. In addition, there were many other activities just helping neighbors and the community.
At the meeting the following officers were elected for next year; Justin Connerty is President, Ashley Carroll Vice President, Ashley Botton Treasurer and Alison Frey Secretary.
The Kiwanis Club of the Central Adirondacks sponsors the Town of Webb Key Club.

Left to right: Present Jim Conortty, Key Club Advisor Diane Amos and Ray Schoeberlein, kiwanis club member.
KPTC Black & White Ball a Success

KPTC President DPG Joe Corace

New York District Former First Ladies: Dr. Rosemary DeJulio, Marlene Herring, Rita Bevilacqua, Karen Mancuso, Mim Kaiser and Nydia Corace are all having some fun.

KPTC Board gets everything ready for a fun-filled night of dancing and fellowship.


Lee Decastro and Past KPTC President Rich Decastro, Dr. Rosemary DeJulio and KPTC Past President DPG Al Bevilacqua.

Barbara Macchiaroni, Huntington Club.

Governor Doreen Pellittieri.

KPTC President

Joseph L. Corace

This past summer has been an active one for the New York District’s Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Centers. In no small part, this frenzy of activity has been sparked by the Trauma Centers increased partnership with the Trauma Key Club.

At their District Convention this past Spring, the Key Clubs of the New York District passed an amendment formalizing Key Club’s partnership with our Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Centers and forming a NYD key Club KPTC Committee. Key Club Governor Amy Lorenc charged this new committee with developing a stronger partnership with our Trauma Center Foundation Boards by supporting the spread of child safety awareness and through fundraising efforts.

Key Club LG Robin Kornstein of Division 6 was appointed chair of the NYD Key Club KPTC Committee. Robin and her committee decided to form a regional committee at each of the District’s three (3) pediatric trauma centers. Each regional committee is made up of Key Clubbers representing the divisions served by each trauma center. These regional committees are full of enthusiasm and have begun several exciting projects in support of KPTC’s mission including a partnership with the NYS Safe Kids Coalition. I’d like to thank Key Club Governor Amy, Lt. Governor Robin and all of the Key Club KPTC Regional Committee members for their service.

Another exciting development that has come from KPTC’s increased partnership with Key Club is a newly designed KPTC website. This new website was created by Key Club LG Breanna Romaine of Division 5. The new website includes an up-to-date calendar of KPTC events, downloadable form for the various donation programs that support KPTC and recognizes Kiwanians and Kiwanis Clubs that generously support our trauma centers.

I encourage you to take a look at www.kiwanispediatrictraumacenter.org. I am sure you will be amazed by the work of your trauma centers and of creativity and talent of this young Key Club Lt. Governor.

The KPTC Foundation Board at North Shore-LIJ has also been busy looking for new ways to solicit donations and acknowledge and recognize those who support KPTC. In this regard, I am proud to announce the creation of two new fellowships.

The first is a Diamond KPTC Fellowship which is available in five (5) levels from one (1) diamond to five (5) diamonds. For more information on this fellowship, please download the information flyer available at www.kiwanispediatrictraumacenter.org

The second is designed for sponsored youth. The KPTC Service Leadership Fellowship is available for $150. This
LG Joe Weiss and his wife Julie opened their home for another fund raiser in support of the New York District Foundation and Kamp Kiwanis. Rebecca Lopez, the Director of Kamp Kiwanis, was the honoree. We thank Joe and Julie for their continued generosity and support.

Weiss Holds Fun-Raiser for Kamp Kiwanis

Support Kamp Kiwanis in Matching Funds Program

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So get your donations in! This is a straight matching funds donation and donations made will not be entitled to additional items such as Kavis, bricks, kamperships, etc. If a donor wishes to however, a donor may pay the additional cost for the item over and above their contribution. Please send donations directly to the below address with “matching fund” listed on the check memo.

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Thank you for your support!

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