The Kiwanis Club of the CENTRAL ADIRONDACKS, Capital Division – recognized seven members for their significant contributions to the community and club during the program year 2007 – 2008. Outgoing President Jim Conolly noted that the award winners represent the many members of the local Kiwanis Club that are working throughout the year to provide the many youth oriented programs provided by the club.

Al Strip, 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.

Sheila Brady, of Old Forge, the incoming President was awarded the Kiwanian of the Year Certificate. Sheila has chaired numerous committees including Youth Experience, and the Kiwanis Christmas Bazaar Booth project.

Bob Baker, of Inlet, was awarded a certificate as Committee Chairman of the Year. Bob chairs the FREE Car Wash project, which is the primary fund raiser for all Kiwanis Programs; he has also been a significant contributor to the startup and operation of the Community Youth Activity Center and serves on its Board of Directors. Bob is co-advisor to the Town of Webb School Key Club with Paula Tormey.

The Kiwanis 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).