NY CELEBRATES TWENTY YRS OF KIWANIS WOMEN

At the New York District Convention in Buffalo this past August, Kiwanians gathered from throughout New York state to honor the twentieth anniversary of women being asked to join Kiwanis. Governor Joe created very special reception to celebrate our women with the help of Lt. Governor Larry Beneditti and Julia Salat. Guests enjoyed selections played by our own piano man the fabulous LG Dennis Gallagher. Special attendees enjoyed a lively “Celebrate Kiwanis Women” video prepared by Rich Santer from the LISC division.
We want our President to be Distinguished, so we will hold onto our “dead wood” until the last moment and get the envelope postmarked on the 28th. That way the deletes will not show until next year! Besides, we can always change our billing when we send in our checks.

That last paragraph has been used so often over the years, that clubs and club secretaries have become well versed in manipulating the numbers that they have been literally been able to affect who is a Distinguished President and who is not. But this is a different system now. If you are in the first cycle of dues billing (October 1st), you will find that when the bill comes, it will reflect the numbers for your club on September 30th. No longer will you have the option to add or subtract members on that bill. In fact, your ability to change your clubs “official” membership rolls comes to you in the dues roster that your club received, well before October 1st. So, be sure you go over that roster and send it back with the corrections (Additions and Deletes) as soon as possible. As with anything else, there are exceptions and we can perhaps help you with that.

How can I update my Membership Roster?
If you wish to check your club’s membership roster, well before you receive it prior to your billing, you can do so by going to https://districts.kiwanis.org/kiwanisremote. As long as you are the current club secretary registered with Kiwanis International and have submitted to them your e-mail address, you can easily enroll in the system, log-in and begin seeing the information that Kiwanis International has for your club. It is at this site that you can change (update) your members’ addresses, telephone numbers, join dates, birth dates and much more. There is a tutorial that comes at the site. You cannot, however delete or add members at this site. (That may change in the future).

The Kiwanis International site has changed!
When you go to www.kiwanis.org you will find a brand new look. This is now the site that most people surfing the Web will see. The content is designed to explain to non-Kiwanians what we do as a group of volunteers. Lots of splash and neat stuff will be found on this page. However, to find the form downloads and reporting information you need to administer your clubs just click on “member resources” on the left menu and you will be taken to www.kiwanisone.org. This is the site that will give you all of the information and forms you need as Club Secretary, etc. They have also added some neat features and search functions that should help your club improve your members’ experiences at meetings and...
One of the highlights of our District Convention was the naming of DPG Peter Mancuso our honoree. Peter has been a member of the Kiwanis Club of East Meadow since 1987. Peter has chaired many district committees, including Achievement, Finance, International Convention, Membership Orientation and Membership Growth. While chairing the last of these, our district experienced the greatest net growth in members of any in the Western Hemisphere. Peter has also served as Parliamentarian, Foundation Coordinator, and as a member of our PAC Advisory Committee. He was elected to two terms as a Director of our District.

My fellow Kiwanians - First and foremost I want to thank you for an exceptional year. We have met some very high expectations I had for the mighty New York District. Everyone who attended our International Convention in San Antonio had a wonderful time. Our District Dinner at the Kribbe Ranch brought over 220 Kiwanians to a real ranch. Kiwanians mounted the bull (see photo pages), ate delicious meals, went on hayrides and two-stepped the night away. At the end of the July 4th evening, we were all wowed with an exciting display of fireworks, while God Bless America played in the background. It was a very stirring moment. Thanks to all for making it a special event.

Our Buffalo Convention was one of the very best. Convention Chair Jim Yochum and Mary created a convention where everyone was educated, entertained and all had a great time. The Veteran’s program put together with the efforts of many was outstanding to say the least. Col. Greg Kubus addressed Kiwanians about Iraq and our military. He put together a powerpoint presentation that kept the whole audience silent. Thanks to the color guards from the Marine Corp and the US Naval Sea Cadets for adding a special touch to the program. Certificates of Recognition for Veterans were given to Kiwanians to bring back to their clubs to recognize the dedication of all our past and present armed service members.

This year it was Nydia’s and my honor to choose DPG Peter Mancuso as our Convention Honoree. We were happy to view highlights of Peter’s year as Governor on the screen and toast him for all his contributions to the New York District of Kiwanis. The reception was filled with Kiwanians who wanted to add their voices to the congratulations to this special man.
Although the calendar says it’s September, the weather here is starting to look more like fall, and that tells me that we are going into a “new” Kiwanis year. This same time, two years ago, DPG David and I had the opportunity to visit the Lewiston Kiwanis Club, the hosts for the Niagara County Peach Festival. So it is befitting that this year as Aktion Club Administrator, I am ending with a return visit to Lewiston and the Peach Festival. Yes, I enjoyed marching in the parade a second time, yes I enjoyed ladling peaches into the paper boats for the Peach Shortcake, (last time I did whipped cream) and yes, I even enjoyed the Elvis impersonator. The difference though this time was the addition of the new Niagara County Aktion Club. The club proudly walked in the parade and posed for pictures with me.

This addition brings the total number of Aktion Clubs to fourteen. We have successfully added to our family three downstate clubs. Points of information, we downstaters consider anything below Westchester as downstate. Both the Niagara County Aktion Club and the Elmira Aktion Club will be hosting their charter nights in October.

I thank each and every one of you who has invited me to talk about Aktion Clubs and their service initiative, “SCAW.” During Gov. Elect Don’s term I will be continuing on as the Administrator and I will make every effort to visit those clubs that are interested in sponsoring Aktion Clubs. We are in the process of looking into an Aktion Club Conference for next year, possibly September 2008. Anyone interested in helping out please email me at blueeyes1255@aol.com. Remember….Aktion is my passion; make it your passion too.

Niagara County Aktion Club

The Aktion Club’s mission is to provide adults, with disabilities, an opportunity to develop initiative and leadership, to serve their community, to be integrated into society, and to demonstrate the dignity and value of citizens living with disabilities. Aktion Club members strive to return to their communities the benefits, help, and caring they have received, as well as develop important skills in the process.

Some of the community services they perform are park beautification, food drives, nursing home visitations, environmental projects, distributing food baskets during the holidays to families in need, providing yard maintenance for elderly citizens, and assisting Kiwanis Clubs with their projects.

At the high school level, members are known as Aktion Key Clubbers. These special young citizens have few chances to interact socially and sometimes little opportunity to function in society. Some individuals often have many talents but little opportunity to develop or apply them. SCAW

(Sleeping Children Around the World) a most important project for Aktion Key Club members, assists children around the world who are homeless. An adult Kiwanis member serves as Advisor to the Aktion Key Clubbers and guides them with every project they undertake to completion.

These efforts engender a win-win situation where the needy are served and where the challenged members have the opportunity to help others, thus fostering a feeling of accomplishment within themselves. For more information, go to www.aktionclub.org, email: aktionclub@kiwanis.org
1994-95 Int’l President Ian Presents Calabrese 45 Yr. Legion of Honor Pin

Kiwanis Club of PENFIELD-PERINTON, Finger Lakes Division – Honorary Penfield Perinton Member Ian Perdriau, 1994-95 International President from Australia, was the evening’s guest speaker. Pres. Ian and his wife Trish were house guest of 1985-86 Governor Bob and Janet Calabrese. He spoke about the highlights of this year while serving as president. His remarks, some very humorous, were enjoyed by a Past International President, a Past International Trustee and current International Foundation Board member, 6 Past Governors and representatives from 14 Kiwanis clubs in the Finger Lakes and Genesee Divisions. Also in attendance was Finger Lakes LG Trish Hook. Pres. Ian presented charter member Past Governor Bob Calabrese with his 45 year Legion of Honor pin. On his last visit from Australia to the Rochester area, 15 years ago, he presented past Gov. Bob with his 30-year Legion of Honor pin.

Long Island North Welcomes Governor Joe & First Lady Nydia

Long Island North LG Elect Lawrence Benedetti, Julia Salat, Governor Joe Corace, First Lady Nydia, Long Island North First Lady Terri Sirangelo and LG Roger Sirangelo.

Terranova Florist Gives the Gift That Keeps on Giving

East Rockaway Kiwanian and Hempstead Town Senior Councilman Anthony J. Santino (left) attends FTD Good Neighbor Day sponsored by Terranova Florist on Grand Avenue in Baldwin and the Baldwin Kiwanis Club. On Good Neighbor Day, Terranova Florist invites customers to pick up a dozen flowers for free. However, the participant must promise to keep only one flower and give the others away to 11 different people in a show of goodwill. Pictured (left to right) are Councilman Santino, Baldwin Kiwanian and 25-year Terranova employee Jo Ann Giretti, Kiwanian Rolf Mahler, store owners Eliza and Robert Pseniczny (front, right) and Kiwanian Tony Tarantino (right, rear).

Campanile Receives Recognition

Past Governor Al Bevilacqua presents a plaque from the Kamp Kiwanis Foundation Board to President Anthony Campanile of the Five Towns Kiwanis Club. The Club was instrumental in donating building materials and playground equipment over the years.

Photo above: Penfield-Perinton Pres. Steven Muchard and Past International President Ian Perdriau presents Past Governor Bob Calabrese with his 45 year Legion of Honor pin.
NY Governor’s Visit the Niagara’s

Governor Don is a wild man with the cream hose.

First Lady Nydia works quickly because of the high demand for peach shortcakes.

First Lady Debra pitches in to help.

First Lady Marlene and First Lady Karen spoon in the peaches as quickly as possible.

DPG Peter Mancuso competes in the race.

First Lady Karen and First Lady Debra work quickly because of the high demand for peach shortcakes.

Governor Joe helps Past Pres. Walter Polka and the Peach Festival Chairman Jerry Wolfgang fill the plates with whipped cream. Yummy, Yummy!

DPG Peter Mancuso and PLG David Rothman also help. All hands needed.
The Kiwanis Club of LEWISTON, Niagara Frontier The original concept of the Peach Festival came from the first year in which the Lewiston Kiwanis was formed - 1958.

The idea was developed as a means of honoring the Niagara County farmer and the bountiful crops, which are harvested each Fall. Charter members of the Club remember the days when Club members picked the peaches, and their wives peeled them for the famous dessert. Of course, as the Kiwanis Club grew, and requests for assistance from community organizations expanded, the Peach Festival developed into a main opportunity to raise those funds.

Each year the planning for the Peach Festival began earlier. New events were added to the weekend festivities. The popularity of the Peach Queen contest in Niagara County later expanded to the choosing of a little girl and boy as our Peach Blossom and Peach Fuzz. These individuals represent the Kiwanis Club at various events throughout the year, including parades and special activities.

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2006-2007 Governors Help With San

Int’l Vice President Paul Palazzolo, left, joins with 2006-07 Governors to help with a local project at the Respite Care of San Antonio at our International Convention.

Governor Joe Corace, International Trustee Thomas DeJulio and NJ Governor Jean Hagen all work hard to create a fun day for the Respite Care Children.

The following are the results of action taken by delegates at the 2007 Kiwanis International Convention in San Antonio, Texas

INTERNATIONAL OFFICER ELECTIONS
International President: DAVE A. CURRY
(Region III – Europe) Bayreuth, Germany
(Region II – United States) Butte, Montana
(Silver Bow, Butte club)
International President-Elect: DONALD R. CANADAY
Indianapolis, Indiana
Meridian Hills, Indianapolis club)
International Vice-President: PAUL G. PALAZZOLO
Springfield, Illinois
(Springfield-Downtown club)
Trustee:
3-year term – 2007-10
BASCOM M. ALLEN, SR. (Region I – United States)
Starkville, Mississippi
(Starkville club)
Trustee:
3-year term – 2007-10
RANDOLPH “RANDY” DELAY
(Region I – United States) Houston, Texas
(Greater North Houston club)
Trustee:
3-year term – 2007-10
BERNARD W. “BERNIE” KNOTT, Ed.D. (Region I – United States)
Shenandoah Junction, West Virginia
(Shepherdstown club)
Trustee:
3-year term – 2007-10
PETER WÜLLEN WEBER
(Region III – Europe) Bayreuth, Germany
Bayreuth club)
Trustee:
3-year term – 2007-10
EDUARDO T. “ED” SEDILLO (Region IV – Asia-Pacific)
Dumaguete City, Philippines
Dumaguete Sandurot/Metro

AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL BYLAWS
(The original text of all amendments is attached below in PDF format, or can also be found at www.kiwanis.org/convention/, under “Notes About Votes.”)

APPROVED:
AMENDMENT #3, INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING, to eliminate the requirement for the International Council to meet annually while still allowing it to meet if needed (Amend Article XIV, Sections 1 and 3, and add a new Section 2; Article XX, Section 4, and Article XXX, Section 1).

AMENDMENT #7, CORRECTION OF “MAGAZINE” REFERENCES, to change references in the International Bylaws from “magazine” and “Kiwanis magazine” to “official publication” (Amend Article V, Section 7; Article VIII, Section 10; and Article XXIII, Sections 3 and 4).

AMENDMENT #8, GLOBAL ISSUES OF OFFICIAL PUBLICATION, to restore Kiwanis magazine to a balanced budget without a fee increase (Amend Article XXI, Sections 4-6; and Article XIII, Section 5). This was additionally amended by striking the words “and” and by striking the words “that are not in conflict with these Bylaws.”

AMENDMENT #6, AMENDMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE, to change the deadline for submission of proposed amendments and resolutions from April 1 to January 15 to allow more time for consideration and review (Amend Article XVII, Section 6; and Article XXX, Section 2).

This was additionally amended to make the deadline be February 15 (instead of January 15) and to allow the committee to meet within 60 days.

AMENDMENT #14, MAJORITY VOTE FOR NEW BYLAWS PROVISIONS, to provide what vote is necessary to add new provisions (Articles or Sections) to the International Bylaws (Amend Article XXIX, Sections 1 and 7).

AMENDMENT #11, CLUB VOTING BY MAIL, to require clubs to offer members the option to vote by mail (absentee ballot) on club matters (Amend Article VI by adding a new Section 6).

AMENDMENT #17, BALLOTING FOR 2/3 VOTE, to allow alternative voting methods for amendments that have little or no opposition, to expedite the meeting of the House of Resolutions.

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First Lady Nydia and Gov. Joe Corace hold up the “One Can Make a Difference” clock.

Amendment #14 was amended by substitution, replaced entirely by the language of Amendment #15, so that a 2/3 vote is required for new Articles and Sections to be added to the International Bylaws.

DEFEATED
AMENDMENT #4, NEW CLASS OF SHARED ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP, to implement a new classification of shared active membership (Amend Article IV, Section 2; Article V, Sections 4, 5, and 8; Article VI, Section 1; Article VIII, Sections 2, 6-9, and 11, and add a new Section 4; Article XI, Section 3; Article XVI, Sections 2 and 4; Article XIX, Sections 3, 11, and 13; and Article XXIX, Sections 1 and 5-7).
Antonio Respite Care Kids

New York District First Lady Nydia and Governor Joe spend time with Respite Care children.

Governor Joe finds a Hero doll.

Int’l President Nelson Tucker helps a youngster to pot her plant.
New Member Orientation
Peter J. Owens

Governor Joe has ended and completes its service to the District. He will be ranked among the best we had.

Back in June he asked me to develop another and final COMMUNITY SERVICE project - but for only the month of JULY. The activity had to be original - new - and never done before by your club. We had many clubs misunderstand that requirement and sent projects that they were repeating again. That repeated project was prohibited under Governor Joe requirements.

For the record - only 22 clubs replied with Hudson, Long Island North and Lt South Central leading the divisions with multiple entries. Five divisions only had a single club participate.

When you remember we have just under 300 clubs in our district - and only 22 clubs took part - it looked dismal.

Fortunately when you look at the particular activities that the 22 clubs submitted - if great and highly significant number of children and seniors benefited during July by the sacrifices of those 22 clubs who made the effort.

Governor Joe provided Certificates of Achievement for the Lieutenant Governors to present to their respective clubs. Governor Joe and our Community Service committee appreciate the special effort these clubs made during July and are certain those people on the receiving end of these good deeds also appreciate what you did for them.

An expression I heard in Buffalo that I thought was very profound - "Are you a member, or are you a Kiwanian?" You may wish to pose this question to the members of your club and see how they respond!!

Troy Cleans Up Riverfront Park

The members of the Troy Kiwanis Club, RPI Circle K and Russell Sage Circle K participated in the City of Troy Earth Day clean up. With brooms, rakes and shovels in hand, the crew worked hard on a sunny afternoon to clean up Riverfront Park along the Hudson River. The Mayor of the City of Troy tried to extend a thank you to the group and have a quick photograph.

Governor Corace
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And what a celebration for the "20th Anniversary of Women" joining Kiwanis. There were many stories of the success story. It attracts large parade groups from throughout Western New York, Pennsylvania and Southern Ontario. It ranks among the most festive-type parades in New York State. Long-time Governor Don Baiss and volunteer Mimi Cac 초aiore instituted the four-mile run, from which the participating organizations in the area.

Another activity popular among area residents is the Peach Bake-off. It was originally sponsored by the Niagara Gazette, and is now chaired by Kiwanis members or their wives. Many delicious recipes have been shared through this event.

Since 1991, the Festival kicks off Friday evening, with one of the events after opening ceremony being the cheerleaders competition by various school teams. The cheerleaders are usually featured in the parade the following morning. Friday night also gives everyone a chance to try out the Conklin Peach Festival booths.

Another unique flavor of the Peach Festival is the involvement by many area organizations. Several groups find that the Peach Festival Weekend offers them an opportunity to raise the majority of their funds for yearlong projects. Some of these include the Lewiston Service Guild, All Sports Booster, Ransomville Lions Club, Lewiston-Porter High School Key Club, and other area Kiwanis Clubs.

Since 1958, the key to the success of the Peach Festival has been the core of volunteers, Kiwanians and their families, senior citizens and others interested in assisting the club raise funds which ultimately filter back into the community.

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Delegates (Amend Article XIX, Section 6).

WITHDRAW: AMENDMENT #10, INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S DUTIES, to remove the aspect of chief executive officer from the duties of the International President (Amend Article XII, Section 1).

AMENDMENT #12, PRO-RATED INDUCTION FEE, to provide for a pro-rated membership induction fee for new members based upon the annual membership dues and all other fees paid by current members to Kiwanis International (Amend Article VIII, Section 13).

NOTE: Since Amendment #14 was substituted entirely by Amendment #15, the intent of #15 passed as #14, then #15 was technically withdrawn.

NOT CONSIDERED DUE TO LACK OF MOTION FOR ADOPTION: AMENDMENT #1, INTERNATIONAL DUES FOR MEMBERS IN COMBAT, to relieve Kiwanis members who are in the military service and deployed to a combat zone from payment of international dues (Amend Article XII by adding a new Section 1).

REFERRED BACK TO INTERNATIONAL BOARD COMMITTEE: AMENDMENT #16, DISTRICTS OF SPONSORSHIP, to change the geographical boundaries of all Service Leadership Program (i.e. Circle K and Key Club) districts remain aligned with Kiwanis districts and corresponding oversight by the appropriate district board (Amend Article IX by adding a new Section 2).

RESOLUTION: COLLABORATION AMONG KIWANIS, ROTARY, LIONS, AND OPTIMIST

The resolution PASSED, with no revisions.

PAST GOVERNORS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The New York District Past Governors Council encourages all New York District Kiwanians to submit recommendations and proposals for nominees qualified to receive the " Gerald P. Christiansen Distinguished Service Award " sponsored by The New York District Past Governors Council and awarded annually at the District Convention. The award is intended for the "grass roots Kiwanian", often overlooked for their continuous dedication, unselfish efforts and commitment to the betterment of people in their community who are less fortunate than themselves. Nominations must comply with the following criteria established by the Council March 3, 2001.

"The award may be presented to only one Kiwanian each year at the annual New York District Kiwanis Convention. The Honoree should be a living New York District Kiwanis member in good standing, who has 'exhibited outstanding meritorious service to individuals in the community and has contributed in an extraordinary way in the recent period of time to the advancement of Kiwanis'. Governor-elects, sitting Governors and Past Governors are not eligible to be nominated for or receive this award.

Award presentation and expenditures will be financed by the Council only, and cannot be purchased by any club or individual.

Recommendations and proposals for award nominees must be submitted by a Past Governor and presented in writing to the current Council Chairman, no later than January First each year. The Council Chairman shall mail a copy of submitted proposals to Council members not later than February First each year.

Evaluation and approval of each award recipient shall be by a two-thirds majority vote, by closed ballot of all Council members present at the Mid-Year Conference Council Meeting each year. – Submitted to ESK for publication, July 23, 2007 – New York District Past Governors Council - Past Governor Jack Tetamore, Award Committee Chairperson.
Kiwianians 2 Step in San Antonio

Over 220 NY Kiwanians dressed in western garb hit the dance floor at the Knibbe Ranch in San Antonio.
New York Rides the Bull

and Celebrates July 4th in Style
Past International President Steve Siemens appeals to the New York Delegation with PG David Rothman and incoming Governor Don Herring.

Governor Joe takes a photo with the new Kiwanis International CEO Rob Parker and his fellow Governor Adeline Chan, Kiwanis Club of Pantai, Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Malaysia.

New International President Dave Curry and First Lady Eva.
District Veterans Chair Al Federico, with the help of PG Jim Yochum, put together a moving Veterans program at the Buffalo Convention this past August. Events began at Roosevelt Park where the colors were presented by the Niagara Frontier Detachment #239 Marine Corps League. When indoors, the West Seneca and East Aurora Aktion Clubs distributed miniature American Flags to the attendees.

Governor Joe Corace recognized all branches of the US Armed Forces including the: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force Coast Guard, Merchant Marines and the National Guard, while their anthems played.

Keynote Speaker Col. Greg Kubus of the 153rd Troop Command addressed the audience and you could hear a pin drop. He brought with him visual aids to help explain some of his duties in Iraq and took questions from the audience.

Everyone in attendance was moved by the wonderful event and when we sang God Bless America voices were louder and clearer.

The Buffalo US Naval Sea Cadets offered a procession of service flags, as well as retiring the colors at the end of the service.

The Veterans Certificate on the left was given out to Kiwanians to distribute to their club members who served in the armed forces. If you wish to have this document emailed to you, please send an email to: NYKIWESK@aol.com and we will be glad to forward it to you.

Past Governor Edward Kolek adds his voice of support to the armed forces.

Photo above: the Marine Corp proudly presents the colors. Photo left: Marching music by bag piper Dan McCue.

Above: A prayer and invocation was offered by Msgr. James Campbell, Marine Corp Veteran.

The Buffalo US Naval Sea Cadets offered a procession of service flags, as well as retiring the colors at the end of the service.
It is customary for the New York District to present our assigned International Trustee a gift. This year our own Thomas DeJulio and Dr. Rosemary will be looking after us. Outgoing Governor Joe and First Lady Nydia along with Governor Don Herring and First Lady Mariene give the DeJulios a beautiful crystal New York Big Apple.

Past International President Tony Kaiser was proud to help Governor Joe present long-time Circle K advocate DPLG Rich Hall with the KFTC Fellowship Award.

Governor Joe, center, presents Governor Don Herring, left and Governor David Rothman with Certificates of Thanks for all their help throughout the 06-07 year.

Key Club Governor Karen DeMaria receives the Governor’s Award for all her hard work with our Key Clubbers.

2006-2007 Kiwanis International Trustee Paul Palazzo thanks all Kiwanians for their service to children and the needy.

New York District K-Kids Chair Mickie Leamey brings Kiwanians up-to-date about the K-Kids programs throughout our state.
Lyme disease is caused by bacteria transmitted by the deer tick (Ixodes scapularis). Lyme disease may cause symptoms affecting the skin, nervous system, heart and/or joints of an individual. Over 73,000 cases have been reported to the New York State Department of Health since Lyme disease became reportable in 1986.

Who gets Lyme disease?
Lyme disease can affect people of any age. People who spend time in grassy and wooded environments are at an increased risk of exposure. The chances of being bitten by a deer tick are greater during times of the year when ticks are most active. Young deer ticks, called nymphs, are active from mid-May to mid-August and are about the size of poppy seeds. Adult ticks, which are approximately the size of sesame seeds, are most active from March to mid-May and from mid-August to November. Both nymphs and adults can transmit Lyme disease. Ticks can be active any time the temperature is above freezing. Infected deer ticks can be found throughout New York State.

How is Lyme disease transmitted?
Not all deer ticks are infected with the bacteria that cause Lyme disease. Ticks can become infected if they feed on small animals that are infected. The disease can be spread when an infected tick bites a person and stays attached for a period of time. In most cases, the tick must be attached for 36 hours or more before the bacterium can be transmitted. Lyme disease does not spread from one person to another. Transfer of the bacterium from an infected pregnant woman to the fetus is extremely rare.

What are the symptoms of Lyme disease?
In 60-80 percent of cases, a rash resembling a bull’s eye or solid patch, about two inches in diameter, appears and expands around or near the site of the bite. Sometimes, multiple rash sites appear. The early stage of Lyme disease is usually marked by one or more of the following symptoms: chills and fever, headache, fatigue, stiff neck, muscle and/or joint pain, and swollen glands. If Lyme disease is unrecognized or untreated in the early stage, more severe symptoms may occur. As the disease progresses, severe fatigue, a stiff aching neck, and tingling or numbness in the arms and legs, or facial paralysis can occur. The most severe symptoms of Lyme disease may not appear until weeks, months or years after the tick bite. These can include severe headaches, painful arthritis, swelling of the joints, and heart and central nervous system problems.

When do symptoms appear?
Early symptoms usually appear within three to 30 days after the bite of an infected tick. Continued on Page 18
NY Everyday Heroes Project Going Strong

The Kiwanis Club of Five Towns, Long Island Southwest Division – presented Everyday Hero Awards to two local waiters at Goldie’s Restaurant in Gibson NY. The Everyday Hero Award given by Kiwanis, is to praise our local community for everyday duties. These two men have taken care of the Five Towns Kiwanis Club for years and are well appreciated. Pictured from L-R: Past Governor Al Bevilacqua, Mr “E”, Kevin Smith, and President Anthony Campanile. The Everyday Hero Award Program is going to continue during the 2007-08 year with the Dream Catchers.

McVey K-Kids Bring Pride and Service to Community

Pictured above are the members of the NUMC Kiwanis sponsored K-Kids Club from McVey Elementary School along with Members of the NUMC Kiwanis Club.

The Kiwanis Club of Nassau University Medical Center, Long Island South Central Division – This year the dedicated children of the McVey K-Kids club, sponsored by NUMC Kiwanians have completed some worthwhile and very worthy projects during their 10-month program. The K-Kids club meets bi-weekly and took on the following projects – they made bookmarks and cards for veterans; and they prepared snack bags for the children of a local homeless shelter to take to school with them. The McVey K-Kids made decorations for the patients’ rooms on the pediatric floor on NUMC. They also sent Valentine’s care packages for the Troops in Iraq. They distributed angel pins and sang seasonal songs for the residents of a local nursing home. Another one of their projects was “Pillow Hugs” for the children of “Double H Hole” in the wall camp for Terminal and Chronically ill children to use in their infirmaries. The kids raised over $1800 in pennies for patients to be given to the Leukemia Society to support their programs. They also participated in the Math-a-thon to raise money for St. Judes hospital and they help out on Kiwanis One Day by cleaning up a the Bird Sanctuary in East Meadow.

The McVey K-kids made birthday cards for “Shane” to help him achieve his goal of getting into the Guinness book of world records. They organized and participated in a “Snowing Kindness Program” by purchasing holiday gifts for under privileged children. They collected cans goods and supplies to help East Meadow Kiwanis with their yearly Thanksgiving Basket Program.

McVey K-Kids also helped sell homemade baked good to raise money for “Share our Strength” an organization whose goal is to end hunger in Long Island communities. These children met each task with enthusiasm and laughter. We are inspired by their passion. Great job, McVey K-kids!

Editor’s Note: The following article by Past Governor Tony Palangi was written and sent to the ESK days before his death. Tony was most diligent about preparing his article for the paper. He called me periodically to let me know it was on its way. I will sorely miss the kind-loving conversations we had about Kiwanis and his outlook on the world.

Rest in peace dear friend, until we meet again. – Maureen Neuringer, ESK Editor

2006-2007 A YEAR OF CHANGE AND INNOVATIONS

The culmination of the Kiwanis year 2006-2007 climaxed at the New York District Kiwanis 90th Annual Convention held on August 16-19, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Buffalo, New York. The overall theme of the convention displayed many changes and innovations implemented during the year. One of the highlights of the convention was the election of District Officers. Congratulations to J. Donald Herring elected, Governor 2007-2008 and Doreen Pellitieri Governor-Elect.

The New York District honored our Veterans at the convention. It’s a wonderful feeling to know that Kiwanis cares and recognizes the many sacrifices that our Veterans have made so that we can be free and enjoy the American way of life. Today, the men and woman serving in the Armed Forces are bravely fighting terrorism to protect our freedoms. Thank you Governor Joe Corace and Chairman Al Federico for an excellent program.

The Sponsored Organizations were all represented at the convention. K-Kids Clubs, Builders Clubs, Key Clubs, Circle K Clubs, Aktion Clubs and Key Leader Leadership program. They all enjoyed an exceptional year of service and growth, especially participating jointly with Kiwanis in Governor Joe’s Project covering six areas of community service: Everyday Hero Award, Sports Project, Health Awareness, ‘Family Day, Scouting and the Senior Program. The Key Clubs and Circle K Clubs continued their support of Kamp Kiwanis and raised approximately $8000 for the benefit of the Kamp; in addition to all the Sponsored Organizations held raisers for the benefit of charitable organizations in their communities.

GROWTH OF ACTION CLUBS

2006-2007 Kiwanis year experienced the growth of Action Clubs, the most recent addition to our Sponsored Organizations. Three new Aktion Clubs were formed: West Hempstead Court, Oceanside Sailors, and Forest Park. Members of the Aktion Clubs all have some degree of disability. However, their motto speaks for itself – “Development has No Disability”. Congratulations to Aktion Club Chairman Debra Fuchs for her devotion to handicapped people.
Kiwanians Tour Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center at the Women and Children’s Hospital of Buffalo

NY DISTRICT CONVENTION, BUFFALO, NY – KPTC President Stan Thompson graciously offered tours of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center of the Women & Children’s Hospital of Buffalo this past August.

The hospital has been designated by New York State as a Regional Level I Pediatric Trauma Center. The trauma program is generously supported by the Kiwanis Clubs of Western New York, which aids the hospital in maintaining their standards as a national leader in pediatric trauma. The outreach programs include topics related to injury prevention and pediatric stabilization and resuscitation.

Trauma Nurse Coordinator Graidi Keleher RN, BSN, escorted Kiwanians through the hospital pediatric trauma facility and answered many questions about how our children are treated when an unexpected trauma happens. She pointed out all of the items and programs Kiwanians have supported throughout the years.

First Lady Nydia Corace, Tom Mollo, Roxanne Mollo, DPLG Peter Papistrat, DPLG Marty Neuringer, KPTC President Stan Thompson, Trauma Nurse Coordinator Graidi Keleher, Governor Joe Corace and Circle K Administrator John Keegan. Kiwanians are amazed at the quality and level of care that our children receive at the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center.

During the Convention, Women’s & Children’s of Buffalo Hospital staff, with the help of President Rick Thompson, demonstrate the fire safety procedure in a tent designed to educate little ones about fire safety.
NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND PROGRAM:

Recently State Education Commissioner Richard Mills announced that despite tougher standards established in 2005, students statewide continue to improve both in math and reading. This year 73% of the 1.2 million third and eighth graders who were tested met state standards for achievement compared-to 60% in 2006. This announcement is not a total surprise for Kiwanis. Key Clubs and Circle K Clubs have been extensively involved tutoring elementary and middle school students for the past three years both in math and reading. No Doubt, Key Clubs and Circle K Clubs have made a difference.

The future of our Service Leadership program largely depends on our continued involvement in the School curriculum; students helping each other to achieve higher standards of learning; Kiwanians serving as mentors inviting young students and educators to their place of business providing the opportunity to personally view the need and demand for hands-on projects that will prepare them for future jobs.

Kiwanis believes that the most-effective way to enhance a community is to enhance the children. When you give a child a chance to learn, expand, dream, and succeed, great things will happen. Kiwanis leadership programs can play a significant role in the school curriculum and its success.

In closing, let’s always remind ourselves that progress very often is accomplished through new projects and innovations. The Kiwanis year 2006-2007 revealed many changes in pace with modern America clearly indicating a positive path to follow. A great year for the K-Family.
Governor Joe and First Lady Nydia are Warmly Welcomed in Queens East

Lt. Governor Augusta Van Duzen, right, and Veronica Witterspoon make sure everything is perfect for the Queens East Governor’s official visit. The first couple was showered with gifts from the Queens East Clubs.

DPLG Bill Risbrook welcomes the First Lady Nydia Corace and Governor Joe Corace with the help of the evening’s master of ceremonies, Builders Club Administrator Carl Johnson and Gary Banks.
In an effort to recognize individuals for meritorious service, the New York District Foundation has developed the Distinguished Service Award. This high gloss color certificate will be personalized with recipients’ names and signed by our Foundation President and packaged in a leather folder with an embossed Foundation label. The award can be presented by clubs once a year for one club member. The donation for this award is $150. It is a great means of honoring someone in a special way. Just fill out the coupon below, enclose your check payable to the NY District Foundation, and send to Maureen Neuringer, 1535 63rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219.

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Clubs Honor Members With Foundation Distinguished Service Awards

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Kamp Kiwanis Gets $$$ From Kiwanians

Each time the New York District Kiwanis Foundation has a meeting, it is a long-standing tradition that Kiwanians present checks. When a club donates funds for a child(ren) to attend Kamp Kiwanis, the New York District Foundation must then raise at least $400 more to meet the additional expenses of sending that child(ren) to camp.

The money received by these generous donations from Kiwanians throughout New York help meet those financial needs. The Foundation wishes to thank and acknowledge all the help they receive from many wonderful clubs and Kiwanians. Keep up the good work and more children will enjoy a special outdoor experience at camp.

LISC DPLG Tom Gallagher presents President Lindy Marrazzo with a donation.

Secretary Veronica Witherspoon presents a check on behalf of the Rosedale Laurelton Kiwanis club members.

PLG Sal Mazzaro presents President Lindy with an additional $2000 for a cabin purchased by the Kiwanis Club of West End.

Foundation Board member Tony Merendino presents President Lindy with a check on behalf of his club, the Kiwanis Club of Peninsula Hewlett.

ABOUT THE ESK

As you may have noticed, we have been delayed with some editions of the ESK. After resolving some issues with our postal nonprofit status and new mechanical mailing requirements, we are back on track. Please enjoy this colorful-double edition which covers many of the wonderful things we have done this year.

Happy Holidays to all Kiwanians and their loved ones!

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to the Vice Presidency. I thank the Foundation Board for their confidence in electing me as president, I am truly honored and I will do my best to live up to your expectations.

I would also like to thank Governor Designate Don Herring for his dedication to the foundation, with his busy schedule as 2007-2008 District Governor, he has decided to stay on as Foundation secretary, that’s commitment.

During the month of October, Governor Don will be hosting the “Walk for a Child’s Dream” at Kamp Kiwanis, Our board has decided to make that date the Kamp’s closing, so why not join us for a dual purpose, support our Governor and come help us with the Kamp closing. This will be an opportunity for anyone who hasn’t seen the Kamp to visit and see what we are so proud of.

Thank you for your anticipated support and we’ll see you at the Kamp.
The 2006-2007 Kiwanis year is coming to a close and throughout the New York Kiwanis District everyone is experiencing the same feelings. We are reflecting on the achievements of the past administrations, and sensing renewed excitement for the incoming administration. At the New York District Kiwanis Foundation, the same holds true. I can go on and fill many pages of this publication in reflecting on the past 10 years of improvements and changes that were accomplished under the leadership of Lindy Marrazzo, but at this time I think we should concentrate on the future.

Ten years ago, Carole & I made our very first visit to the Kamp, we saw a diamond in the rough and since then that diamond emerged as a jewel of the New York Kiwanis District. None of those changes could ever have been accomplished without the help and support of all of the Kiwanians who stepped up to the table with donations of money and goods, many of you came to the Kamp and donated time and labor, and many of you supported us in many other ways such as adopting cabins and acres, purchasing cabins, Kaisers bricks, benches and anything else that brought needed funds to the Kamp. I stand here today and say “THANK YOU” and as incoming president I ask for your continued support, we can't do it without you.

With your continued help and cooperation, I commit to you that I will do my best to make that diamond shine brighter.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ed Sexton and Past Governor Dave Rothman on their re-election to our board, to Mike Siniski on becoming a member of the board as well as Mike Malark for his election

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Palmyra Macedon Kiwanians Present $2500 to Kamp Kiwanis

Palmyra Macedon President Howie Barnes presents President Lindy with a check for $2500, the proceeds from the sale of Joe’s Everyday Heroes Deck of Cards. Way to go “the Little Club That Could.”

Anelli Elected President

Brooklyn Division Distinguished Past Lt. Governor becomes New York District Foundation Board President in Buffalo. Congratulations!