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 Knibbe 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.

First Timers Honored at Convention

Included were:

- Bradley Martin
- Susan Martin
- Elayne Mellas
- William Szcze
- Lisa Scalzi
- Richard Simmonds
- Jimmy Smith
- Ronald Spronghorne
- Norma Stodard
- Scott Swinley
- Kelly M Thayer
- Julie Weiss
- Kamgang Youtchom

Pictured above: First Timers at the New York District Convention in Buffalo. Governor Joe presented each of the First Timers with a Certificate of Appreciation, which thanked them for their participation in our Buffalo Convention.

First Lady Nydia and Governor Joe Corace are very proud to present DPG Peter a special thank you, as Cathy Mancuso and Former First Lady Karen Mancuso look on.

Governor Joe presents DPG Peter with a Special Governor’s Award.

DPG Peter thanks everyone for attending this special reception in his honor.

Governor

Joseph L. Corace

Tetamore Presents Cheese

When Governor Joe Corace and First Lady Nydia have their official visit to the Genesee Division, he was discovered munching on some cheese that was really meant for PG Jack Tetamore. Unfortunately, PG Jack was unable to attend the visit, but found out that his cheese had been eaten by the New York District Governor Joe and Secretary Justin. In an attempt to keep Governor Joe happy, PG Jack present him with his own cheese at our convention.

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