

Niagara County

Peach Festival

Souvenir Program



**LEWISTON KIWANIS
53rd ANNUAL
PEACH FESTIVAL**



KIWANIS CLUB of LEWISTON
September 10th-12th 2010

HISTORY OF THE PEACH FESTIVAL

The original concept of the Peach Festival came from the first year in which the Kiwanis Club of Lewiston 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 our Club remember the days when Club members picked the peaches, and their wives peeled them for the famous Peach Shortcake dessert. Of course, as the Kiwanis Club grew, and requests for assistance from community organizations expanded, the Club needed to consider increased fund-raising events. The Peach Festival became the Club's main fundraiser.

Planning for the Peach Festival began earlier and earlier each year. New events were added to the weekend festivities. The popularity of the Peach Queen contest in Niagara County later expanded to choosing a little girl and little 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.

The parade, which is always held on Saturday of the Peach Festival, has been a real success story. It attracts bands and parade groups from throughout Western New York, Pennsylvania and Southern Ontario. It ranks among the top festival-type parades in New York State. Long-time parade Chairman Jerald Wolfgang has been called upon for advice on several other parades due to his experience in this area.

The annual Peach Festival Fun Run was instituted in the 1970's. It has become a regular for dozens of runners from Western New York and Southern Ontario. Past President Tom Baia and volunteer Mimi Cacciatore instituted the run, from which the proceeds benefit various organizations in the area.

Another activity popular among area residents is the Peach Bake-Off. It was originally started by Joan Wolfgang, who chaired the event for ten years, and is sponsored by the Niagara Gazette. 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 cheerleading 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 North American Midway Entertainment rides, as well as make the round of the game booths.

Another unique flavor of the Peach Festival is the involvement by many area civic organizations. Several community groups find that the Peach Festival Weekend offers them an opportunity to raise the majority of their funds for year-long projects. Some of these include the Lewiston Service Guild, All Sports Boosters, 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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WHAT IS KIWANIS?

“Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time”

Kiwanis and its Service Leadership Programs consist of over 16,000 clubs with approximately 580,000 members, making up a worldwide service organization in 96 countries who wish to achieve great things in the communities where they work and live. The Kiwanis International Organization was founded in Detroit, Michigan in 1915. Each year, Kiwanis clubs sponsor nearly 150,000 service projects and raise more than \$107 million. Members and clubs have contributed more than \$80 million toward the global elimination of iodine deficiency disorder (IDD), the leading preventable cause of mental retardation.

Kiwanians are volunteers changing the world through service to children and communities. Kiwanis members help shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, mentor the disadvantaged and care for the sick. They develop youth as leaders, build playgrounds, raise funds for pediatric research and much more. No problem is too big or too small. Why? Because working together, members achieve what one person cannot accomplish alone. When you give a child a chance to learn, experience, dream and succeed, great things happen!

More importantly, what does it mean to have a Kiwanis Club in the Lewiston-Porter area? With a motto of “We Build”, Lewiston Kiwanians are proud of a facility which is utilized by young and old, athletes and picnickers – Kiwanis Park. Through the fundraising in the early years, the development of Kiwanis Park was possible. Now with the help of public funding, the expansion and maintenance of the park makes it possible to improve the quality of life of many area residents.

The name “Kiwanis” means “we trade” or “we share our talents”. It was coined from an American Indian expression, Nunc Kee-wanis. Kiwanians share their talents in the desire to improve our community. We can be found delivering Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets to the less fortunate. We ring bells for the Salvation Army, deliver flowers at Christmas and Valentine’s Day Cards to shut-ins, sell newspapers for Make a Difference Day, sponsor the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Bike Rodeo and help children read. Through our annual Clam Bake, we provide funds to St. Mary’s Hospital for the purchase of equipment and the D.A.R.E. program to educate children on the dangers of drugs and alcohol. We support Special Olympics through an annual bowling tournament and cooperate with the Volunteer Fire Company to provide services. We have collected over \$50,000 for Children’s Hospital through the Block of Dollars.

The Kiwanis Club of Lewiston is proud of sponsoring a Key Club, Builders Club and K-Kids Programs at Lewiston-Porter Central School District as well as a K-Kids Program at the Tuscarora Indian School. We also sponsor the Niagara County Aktion Club which is for developmentally challenged adults.

The Kiwanis Club of Lewiston is proud to have served the community since it was chartered on March 23, 1958. We currently have over 90 members dedicated to continuing the vision of its charter members. The Lewiston Kiwanis Peach Festival has raised over \$1.2 million and has served thousands of individuals over the years. We promise to continue to serve.

2010 PEACH FESTIVAL

General Chairman: Pat Roemer; 1st Co-Chairman: Mike Roemer
2nd Co-Chairman: Dean Beltrano; Past General Chairman: Bud Griffith

Peach Festival Advisory

Jerry Wolfgang Chuck Stojak

Field Arrangement

Tony Attardo Karl Tiede

Counsel to the Peach Festival

Joseph Catalano Mike Roemer

Economics

Committees Chairman

Co-Chairman

Finance

Bill Roth

Al Frosolone

Advance Ticket Sales

Nick Morreale

Pat Brown

Peach Tent

Gary Rose

Ed Schieffelin

Pop

John Ceretto

Frank Fracassi

Coffee

Bob Burns

Terry Duffy

Food Tent

Mike Jue

Rick Sweeney

Key Club French Fries

Jan Mathews

Ed Evert

Fun Run

Tom Baia

Mimi Cacciatore

Dunk Tank

Mark Gallo

Randy Gorzka

Paula Singleton

Program Book

Mike Roemer

Gary Rose

Raffle

Harry Buckholtz

Ross Myles

Hospitality Tent

John Coulter

Jerry Mosey

Facilities

Committees Chairman

Co-Chairman

Ticket Booths

Chris Schwartz

N.U. Students

Security #1

Bill Justyk

Chris Salada

First Aid

Bill Justyk

Ron Winkley

Utilities

Jeff Jordan

John Kelly

Stage Construction

Chuck Stojak

Bill Bennion

Sound Engineer

John Kelly

Jeff Jordan

Environmental Services

Robert Trunzo

Todd Schwartz

Field Maintenance

Todd Schwartz

Robert Trunzo

Storage Trailer Facilities

Robert Trunzo

Bill Bennion

Storage Area Trailer Facilities

Chuck Stojak

Field Housekeeping

Tom Minarcin

Field Clean Up

Jack Walmsley

Manpower

Mike Riehler

Andy Minarcin

Traffic & Parking

Jeff Sanderson

Ed Schieffelin

Chuck Stojak

Marketing

Committees Chairman

Co-Chairman

Publicity

Jerry Wolfgang

Al Frosolone

Cheerleading Contest

Jerry Wolfgang

Terry Nobles

Parade

Jerry Wolfgang

Joseph Catalano

Ladies Appreciation Dinner

Jerry Wolfgang

Joseph & Lynn Catalano

Bill & Cathy Bennion

Ed & Vicki DeVantier

Peach Queen

Martin Pauly

Peach Blossom & Fuzz

Brad Martin

Peach Bake-Off

Lynn Catalano

Stage Activities

Terry Nobles

Terry Collesano

Ed Schieffelin

Master of Ceremonies

Brandy Scrufari

Hugh Gee

Jeanette Collesano

Kris Trunzo

Sponsorship

Jerry Wolfgang

Brad Martin

**KIWANIS CLUB OF LEWISTON
2010-2011 Club Officers**

President.....	John Frandina
President Elect.....	Jerry Mosey
Vice President.....	Jeff Sanderson
Treasurer.....	Harry Buckholtz
Secretary.....	Jack Hanrahan
Lt. Gov. Niagara Frontier North	Ron Parent
Immediate Past President.....	Randy Gorzka
Immediate Past Lt. Gov.....	Alice Attardo

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Expire 2011

Al LaChance
John Coulter
Mike Jue
Brad Martin

Expire 2012

Pat Roemer
Mike Riehler
Tom Mason
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PAST PRESIDENTS

1958	Robert Skimin	1984	Thomas Beachy
1959	Donald Hibbard	1985	Ernest Krell
1960	Joseph Guaetta	1986	William McQuay
1961	Theodore Hoyle	1987	Gerald Tucker
1962	John Hessney	1988	Charles Stojak*
1963	Richard Drake	1989	Robert Philbrick
1964	Gerald Farr	1990	John P. Monago, Jr.
1965	Richard Soluri*	1991	Alfred Frosolone
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1967	Edward McGraw	1993	Walter Polka
1968	Harold Rose	1994	James Langlois
1969	Philip Seminara	1995	Walter Polka
1970	Eugene Parrone	1996	Raymond Strong
1971	Robert Lowe	1997	Terry C. Collesano
1972	Robert Sabbato	1998	Tony Attardo*
1973	John Scarf	1999	Robert Dimatties
1974	Richard Kolke	2000	Jack Hanrahan*
1975	William Roth	2001	Thomas Baia
1976	Thomas Baia	2002	Timothy Beach
1977	Francis Thompson*	2003	William Justyk
1978	Paul Meierer, Jr.	2004	Ernie Krell
1979	Jerald Wolfgang	2005	Colin Smith*
1980	H. James Walker	2006	Jack Walmsley
1981	Samuel Ricotta	2007	Edward Schieffelin
1982	Richard Young	2008	Ron Parent
1983	Paul Orsi, Jr.	2009	Randy Gorzka

* Kiwanis Lt. Gov. for Niagara Frontier North Div.

Deceased

THANKS TO OUR OUTGOING 2010 BOARD MEMBERS:

Ed Shieffelin, Tom Minarcin, Terry Nobles

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL CHAIRMAN

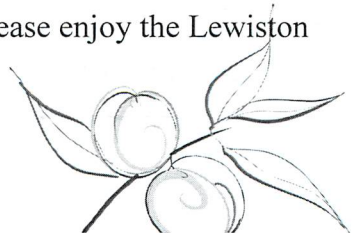
Patrick Roemer



Thank you for attending the 53rd Annual Niagara County Peach Festival. I am honored to be the General Chairman for this year's festival. Over the years, the festival has raised over \$1.3 million dollars. This fund raiser allows the Kiwanis Club of Lewiston to donate to and sponsor numerous community programs and organizations, especially those related to children.

We could not do this without you! Thank you for your support. Our support comes from people within the community, our business and community sponsors and especially the thousands of people, like you, who attend the festival and experience that home grown peach shortcake.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Kiwanians, their spouses and all the volunteers who donate their time and work hard every year to make the festival a success. Please enjoy the Lewiston community and our Festival!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT Randy Gorzka

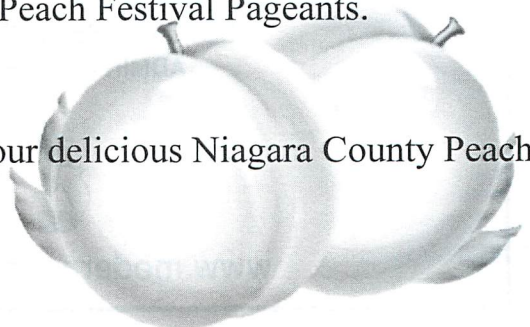


On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Lewiston, I would like to extend a warm welcome and great appreciation to everyone attending the 53rd annual Niagara County Peach Festival.

Without the support of the community, we could not partner with over 70 organizations through financial assistance and service hours. Our greatest joy comes from a child's smile and service to the needy.

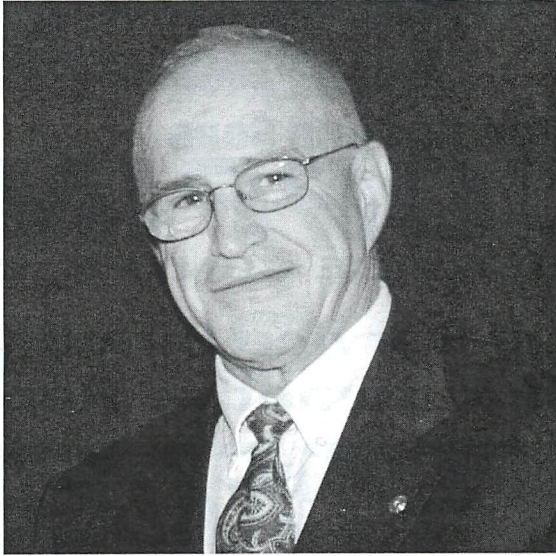
Please have a wonderful time this weekend while you enjoy the fabulous Midway, the Cheerleading competition, the outstanding Parade and the Peach Festival Pageants.

Don't forget to experience our delicious Niagara County Peach Shortcake!



NEW YORK DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT

Mike Malark



Mike joined the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland in 1981. He rose through the club offices becoming a Distinguished President in 1987 and a Super Distinguished Lieutenant Governor of the Capital Division in 1988-1989 and 1995. Mike has been active as a District Chairman, heading a variety of committees, such as Community Service, Charter II, Veterans Affairs, New Club Building and Membership Growth. Mike has served as Sergeant-at-Arms for 15 years and has served on the New York District Foundation Board. He now chairs the newly formed Disaster Relief Committee. He has also been an important part of making Kamp Kiwanis one of the best youth camps available on the east coast.

Mike has been active in his community for many years. He was one of the founders of the Food Pantries of the Capital District, which consist of 39 food pantries and 13 soup kitchens. He chaired the organization for 5 years. Mike was Chairman of the Church Youth Group, a Religious Education Teacher, a board member and developer of Gasoline Retailers Association of New York, Board member and originator of Lark Street Merchants Association, Red Cross Lifeguard and Swim Instructor, Marshall Arts Instructor and a member of the Town Youth Development committee.

Mike is a Vietnam Veteran. He served in the United States Marine Corps. Mike and his wife Maryann have 3 children Michael, Meredith and Matthew and are the proud grandparents of five grandchildren, Christopher, Meghan, Abby, Connor and Gavin.



The 53rd 2010 Niagara County Peach Festival

September 10th, 11th, 12th, 2010
Academy Park Lewiston, NY

Friday, September 10th

5:00 pm - Grand Opening - Academy Park
National Anthem, Oh Canada sung by Mrs. Al Frosolone
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm **Cheerleading Contest**, stage area
Sponsored by Diminio's Tops Market Lewiston For Youth Football,
Town All Star Teams, High School Varsity and JV Teams
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm **Finals Peach Taste-Off, Peach Tent**
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Jazzercise Peach Queen Dress Rehearsal (stage activity)
Peach Queen Contestants

Saturday, September 11th

9:00 am **5K Run & 1 Mile walk** — Center Street, sponsored by Key Bank
11:00 am **Peach Festival Parade** — Center Street, Lewiston
sponsored by Wegman's
Stage Entertainment sponsored by Time Warner cable
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Parade Units
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm 23 Skidoo (strolling the grounds)
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm **Peach Fuzz Contest** sponsored by First Niagara Bank
3:00 pm - 4:45 pm Aqueous Band
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm Hot Country Line Dancers
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Peach Queen Contestant Semi Finals Fashion Show on stage,
music by Bob Volkman
8:00 pm - 11:00pm A **"Tribute to the King"** featuring Terry Buchwald

Sunday, September 12th

11:00 am **Neptune Water Ski Club Show**, Niagara River Lewiston Landing
12:00 pm Marble Orchard at PIPER HOUSE
12:00 pm noon - 12:45 pm "Niagara Experience Players"
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm Miss Bev's Dance Studio
2:00 - 4:00 pm **Peach Blossom Contest**
sponsored by Severson Environmental Company
4:00pm - 4:45 pm Lewiston Choralers
5:00 pm - 6:45 pm The Bob Volkman Band
7:00 pm - 7:45 pm McCarthy School of Irish Dance
8:00 pm **Peach Queen Contest Finals**, Crowning of 2010 Peach Queen
Master of Ceremonies "Mr. Brandy Scruferi" Music by: Bob Volkman
11:00 pm Festival Closed

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ADMISSION**

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Famous Peach
Shortcake!*

50%

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