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THE SENTINEL

FROM THE DESK OF LG TOM

Dear fellow Kiwanians, I would like to first congratulate the entire division on sending a record number of underprivileged children to Kamp Kiwanis. As the Kamp is a personal passion of mine it brings me even greater pride in all that you do. As our Kiwanis year winds down try to remember a few items that should still be addressed. If membership is down please rededicate yourselves to bringing in a few more members. It is important for Presidents and secretaries to become distinguished, and more importantly, more members means more service to our communities. Our next divisional is Aug 9th at Domenico's in Levittown. We will be getting ready for our District convention in Buffalo. This should be one of the finest moments for our division. We have our outstanding Governor Peter's last hurrah as well as our own DPLG Dave Rothman's run for Governor Elect. Your attendance at this convention would mean so much to both of these great Kiwanians and I urge you to attend if at all possible. I want to once again thank all of you for your support, and especially for all that you mean to your communities. I have gotten to know so many of you even better than before. I have a new greater appreciation for so many of you and I thank you for that. Enjoy your summer and hopefully I will see you on the 9th and in Buffalo on the 18th. Yours in Kiwanis Lt Gov. Tom Gallagher

SPECIAL SPEAKER TO ADDRESS HOUSE OF DELEGATES AT DISTRICT CONVENTION By Governor Peter Mancuso

At our International Convention, Kiwanis International announced a collaborative effort with the US Department of Education to reach out and promote community involvement in local high schools, entitled "Take the Lead in Preparing America's Future". The program will encourage local Kiwanis clubs in the United States to be involved in such areas as creating and supporting mentoring programs and tutoring projects, and in working with high school students and teachers to share knowledge and experience about the business world. The goal is to reach out to help reshape and transform American education.

In this regard, we are pleased to announce that Dr. Susan Sclafani, Counselor to the U.S. Secretary of Education and Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, will be appearing at our District Convention at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 21st to make a PowerPoint presentation on the project to our House of Delegates. I understand that she is an excellent speaker.

For further information about the project, "Take the Lead in Preparing America's Future", please go to <http://www.ed.gov/highschool>.

You can also learn more about our guest speaker at <http://www.ed.gov/news/staff/bios/sclafani.html>.

Just another reason to come to what should be a sensational and informative District Convention. We hope to see you there! Yours in Kiwanis Governor Peter

KIDS GO TO KAMP WITH GIFTS TO HELP THEM ON THEIR WAY

LG Designate Sharon Smith undertook an ambitious project to make sure that every camper sent by the LISC Division went off to Kamp Kiwanis with the right stuff. "I would like to thank Marta Nieves from the Kiwanis Club of Hempstead for her generous donation of Camp duffel bags and pens from where she works at Standard Buying. She donated over 85 bags. I couldn't have done it without her help. I would also like to thank President Bill Flanagan of The Town Hall Club for allowing us to pack the bags at the CSEA office and for his generous donations of balls, toothbrushes, toothpaste, pens etc. Then there was Mickie Leamey who got a donation of more toothbrushes, Gail Cummo for donating some of the crossword puzzle books, Steve Haller from Minuteman Press for his generous donation of writing pads and pens for all the Kampers, Robin from the Kiwanis Club of Seaford for getting Commerce Bank coloring books for all the Kampers and Tony Genova for getting me the tee shirts and extra duffel bags at a discounted price. I would also like to thank the hard working assembly team which included the members of The Town Hall Kiwanis Club, Robin and Stephanie Asighieri, Janice Seyfried, Denise Thibou, Darlene West, Julie Olsen-Davis, Jennie from Franklin Square, Jonathan Butler and David Rothman stopped in to cheer us on. I hope I didn't leave anyone out. I thank each and every one of you for taking the time to make these bags complete for every Kamper that we sent to Kamp Kiwanis. We had help from over 7 clubs represented and hopefully next year all of the clubs will be there to help. It is truly worth all the work when you go down to see the Kampers leave from the Town Hall parking lot and they are all carrying a duffel bag and wearing a LISC gold tee shirt. We will be starting to collect items for next year, so if anyone has any items, please contact me at 516 679-5701." Thanks to Sharon's leadership and the generous support of all those involved, every child sent to Kamp Kiwanis by the LISC Division had a duffel bag and supplies as they boarded the bus to Kamp.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION TIP OF THE MONTH

Workshops, Lectures, and Meetings- The Chapter's professional membership provides a variety of information through workshops, lectures, meetings and Newsletters. Informative meetings and educational seminars are conducted regularly to keep the Alzheimer's Long Island community up-to-date on current research findings, new treatments, and trends. This information is free and is open to all of the residences in Nassau & Suffolk Counties. For more information contact the Long Island Chapter, Alzheimer's Association 3281 Veterans Memorial Highway, Suite E-13, Ronkonkoma, N.Y. 11779 (516) 935-1033 or (631) 581-5100 Fax 631-580-3100 e-mail: maryann.ragona@alz.org Website: www.alzli.org.

Don't forget this year's Memory Walk, which will be held at Eisenhower Park on Sat Oct 2nd. Volunteer and Join the fight against Alzheimer's. For more information about the Memory Walk, please contact Mauro Cassano. His home number is (516) 796-3392. His business number is (516) 572-7948. Mauro's E-mail address is cassanm@ncc.edu.

AROUND THE DIVISION

DPLG David Rothman has said, "I just want to thank all of the clubs that sent kids to kamp... and I'm already planning next year !!!" For those of you who might not know it, as the District Chairperson for Kamp Kiwanis, Dave assumes the responsibility of troubleshooting the problems that are related to the Kamp Kiwanis endeavor. It is an extremely large responsibility that Dave has handled both quietly (most of the time) and well over the years.

Garden City Kiwanians are still telling the story about the big one that they caught. Rumor has it that members of the fishing industry were extremely upset with the club's success as the club caught so many fish that the daily take of fishing up and down the east coast was down by a significant amount. Meanwhile, oblivious to the controversy surrounding their annual fishing expedition, the streets of Garden City have resounded with the sound of roaring engines as club members prepare for a Day at the Indy Car Races in Nazareth Pennsylvania. Thanks to Garden City for providing the pictures in this month's newsletter.

The **Merrick club** will be installing PD Doug Mills and its slate of officers at Bedell's West End Yacht Club in Freeport on Sunday October 31st. While Merrick moves bravely ahead, the club has been stunned by the loss of a certain object, and they will not rest until they hear a ringing sound in their ears. As their newsletter editor stated in an unusual but forceful manner, "A note to the Bell Burglar...Do not under estimate the power of the press....BRING BACK THE BELL AND SOON....." On a more serious note, the club has begun selling ads for their annual journal. All things considered, Merrick

Kiwanians seem to be enjoying those lazy hazy days of summer.

The **Nassau County Courthouses club** is trying to start a mentoring program with the Nassau County Probation Dept./ Family Court and the division. At the next divisional, Aug. 9th, there will be a representative from the LI Mentoring Partnership who is helping them set up this ambitious and badly needed program. Anyone who is interested or needs further information at this time can contact Patti Harrington at (516) 571-2241.

The **Town Hall club** held its annual Pancake Breakfast to support the participants in the Town of Hempstead's Camp Anchor program. The club will be presenting a check for \$1,000.00 to the program. The club has made final preparations for supporting a morning of entertainment at the UCP Center in Roosevelt. Members of the club will be on hand to distribute ices to the participants at the center on August 11th. The club also has donated \$250.00 to a person who is trying to raise \$6,500.00 to get a Service dog who is trained to assist people who have severe mobility impairments. Sadly the club must report that revenues received from the Defensive Driving Lessons given by IPP Charles Cronin and the courses in Charm and Etiquette given by President Bill Flanagan have not met its initial expectations.

Calendar

Mon Aug 9th 6:30 PM LISC Divisional Council at Domenico's Restaurant in Levittown

Thu Aug 19th – Sun Aug 22nd New York District Kiwanis Convention at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Buffalo.

Sun Aug 29th Garden City trip to the Indy Car races in Nazareth Pennsylvania.

Fri Sep 10th 7:00 PM KPTC Center Annual Black and White Ball at Leonards of Great Neck

Sun Sep 12th 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM LISC Presidents and Secretaries training session at the Coral House in Baldwin. Please note that this event is mandatory. The cost is \$29.00 per person.

Tue Sep 14th 7 - 10 PM West Hempstead's Annual Pasta Night at the Pompeii Restaurant 401 Hempstead Avenue in West Hempstead, NY.

Sat Oct 2nd 9:00 AM Alzheimer's Memory Walk at Eisenhower Park Volunteers and walkers are needed. For more information, please call 1-800 272-3900

Sun Oct 17th 12 – 3 PM Seaford Installation of Officers brunch Buffet at Bedell's West End Yacht Club 104 East Bedell Street in Freeport.



Les Cuneo of the Garden City Club



Hempstead President Denise Thibou and Garden City's Own Jim Olsen



Intrepid Campers Preparing for the long Journey

Calendar Continued

Sun Oct 24th 12:00 PM Hempstead installation of officers Brunch Buffet. Details TBA

Sun Oct 31st Merrick Installation of Officers at Bedell's West End Yacht Club 104 East Bedell Street in Freeport Not finalized as of the time of this newsletter.

Seaford has been quiet during the month of July except for the two regular meetings. They've been busy with their local and State Officials to get dot approval for the Kiwanis Circles. PD Elise is getting ready to send her son Scott off to Moorhead College in Kentucky He is a member of the club (under 39) and he will be joining the Local Kiwanis club in Kentucky. Roxanne Burke is also sending her son off to Rhodes in Tennessee. PD Elise will be having an open house on August 28th after 3pm for all new incoming officers.

The **Elmont** club sent three children to Kamp Kiwanis. They gave out a \$2,500.00 scholarship to a deserving student attending Elmont Memorial High School. They also held a very successful annual club Bar-B-Cue.