



EAST MEADOW KIWANIS DELIVERS FOR THE HOLIDAYS AGAIN!

(From East Meadow Kiwanis Gazette by Jim Mancuso)

Once again the Borrelli family of East Meadow came through by brightening up Christmas day for many needy families in our community. There were over 100 people at Borrelli's this year that were served a holiday meal that included salad, drinks, dinner, and coffee and dessert. Santa (i.e. Dave Rothman) was there as well, and he did not disappoint.



Santa Dave gives gifts and warmth to needy families

He gave out lots of holiday gifts too! Many smiling faces were in evidence on this wonderful day. Special thanks to Sonny, Liz, George, Jay and Jordon Steinmetz, Dave Rothman and Nelson Finkelman's daughter came down to play the violin and serenaded the audience. Also, thanks to the over 20 EMK members who were in attendance and helped out setting up, serving food, giving out gifts, playing songs and singing and cleaning up. A big thank you to the Borrelli family again!

LISC TO MEET ON FEBRUARY 13TH

The next Divisional Council will be held on Monday February 13th at 6:30 PM. The evening will be hosted by the Seaford and Bellmore clubs. One of the major topics at this meeting will be Nominations for Lieutenant Governor Elect and Lieutenant Governor Designate. If you are interested in being nominated for either of these positions, we ask that you inform either Lieutenant Governor Warren Kalmenson or LISC Divisional Secretary Alan Beinhacker.

This is also the last divisional meeting before the New York District's Mid Winter Conference

SPECIAL PARTY PLANNED FOR VERY CLASSY LADY

Last year our division was led by an extremely hard working person who like those who have gone before her, put the division's needs and those relating to community service first. I am speaking of IPLG Sharon Smith.

On Friday March 3rd, the LISC division will hold a Testimonial dinner to honor Sharon's hard work and the tremendous amount of time she gave to the division in her year as Lieutenant Governor. This is our opportunity to show our respect for a lady who led our division during the 2004 – 2005 administrative year.

The event will take place at the Nassau County Bar Association 15th and West streets in Mineola. So come on out and thank a very **CLASSY LADY**.

AROUND THE DIVISION

We would like to wish Julie Davis-Olsen a rapid recovery from a serious car accident during the Holiday Season. Julie suffered multiple fractures of her right hand and right knee and a broken wrist. She will be recovering at home for two to three months. If you would like to send her a note, she can be reached at 134 the Crescent Roslyn heights, NY 11577

Congratulations to Mary Nori (wife of Elmont's Robert Nori). Mary just gave birth to Elmont's newest member who weighed in at 6 pounds 10 ounces. Mother and daughter are doing just fine.

East Meadow held a special CPR certification program at their meeting on January 31st. Members had the opportunity to learn about this vital life saving technique. The club was visited by Rev. Dallas Decker and his wife who

came to break bread and discuss Seaford's Bowling fundraiser.

IPP Jay Steinmetz, President Alan Alterman, Norma Gonsalves, 2nd VP Liz Fries and Gary Hudes combined their talents to build a ramp for a physically challenged teenager in East Meadow. Thanks to the efforts of these Kiwanians, where there was once a barrier of steps, a ramp has been constructed which makes the youngster's home more accessible,



Jay Steinmetz and Pres Alan Alterman on ramp built for needy child with mobility impairment

and his life a little easier.

T'is almost time for St. Patrick's Day, and the Garden City Club is looking forward to their 51st Annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon. This is one of the largest Charity Luncheon's on Long Island. The event features a traditional St. Patrick's Day meal complete with all of the trimmings, the opportunity to sing with some of the finest unimpressarios on Long Island, the antics of a comedian, a chance to win some fabulous prizes, the opportunity to mingle with some of the movers and shakers on Long Island, and most importantly, the chance to help those in need while having a good time.

This year's luncheon will take place on Thursday March 16th from 12 – 2 PM at the Garden City Hotel. Tables of 10 are available for \$500.00. There are a limited number of tables of 12 (\$600.00) or 14 (\$700.00) also available. Please make all checks payable to The Garden City Kiwanis Foundation. You can send your check to John Collins at Margolin, Winer & Evans LLP 400 Garden City Plaza Garden City, New York 11530. Please remember that your check is required for your reservation, and seats are going fast. If you

have any questions, you can call John Collins at (516) 240-4361 or Patrick Curry at (516) 485-5577.

Did you know that February is Heart Month? Well the Hempstead club does. So they will be holding a meeting on Feb 16th at 7:00 PM. The program for the meeting will concern a Healthy Heart. The Hempstead club meets at Kennedy Park in Hempstead.

Massapequa has been working to strengthen ties to their sponsored youth. On January 18th,



Ted Heim, Rocco Dionisio Jr., and Mass Key Club Members

Key Club Chairperson Rocco Dionisio Jr., Ted Heim, and Rick Falta spoke about Kiwanis and the Key Club. It was hoped that several parents might consider joining the club.

DPP Sue Martin helped to coordinate the club's annual toys to the Brunswick Psychiatric Center Children's Ward. Approximately 65 children received toys and clothing. The club also donated toys and clothes to the Nassau County Homeless Intervention Program.



Massapequa Members donate toys to the Brunswick Psychiatric Children's Center

Thanks to the efforts of State Senator Charles Fuschillo, the club received a \$5,000.00 grant which is being used to make repairs to the homes of

needy families in the community.

Massapequa also helped to support the Salvation Army's Bell Ringing campaign. Members of the club helped to raise \$2,500.00. All in all it's been a winter wonderland of fellowship, hard work, and success for the club.

Town Hall is beginning to lay the groundwork for their Mascarade Ball fundraiser. The club is also planning to hold a large benefit drawing to help raise money to assist needy children and support the Camp Anchor program.

Uniondale assisted the Salvation Army in their annual Bell Ringing campaign. Special thanks to Gabrielle Giron who is the daughter of Uniondale's President Caprice Rines. Gabrielle who is a member of the Uniondale Key Club braved the frigid temperatures to assist the club and the Salvation



Gabrielle Giron volunteers to help the Salvation Army

Army in this project.

The **Wantagh** Kiwanais club will hold a membership round up on Feb 15th at Per Un Angelo at the Jones Beach Hotel at 6:30PM. Please come down and join us and bring a friend.

Editor's Note

I would like to thank the clubs who took the time to send me both materials and photographs. Your efforts have helped to brighten up this publication.

My home number is (516) 374-6008, and my E-mail address is charcro@optonline.net. Any information that you can give me about your club's activities is greatly appreciated. Thanks for your support.

CALENDAR

Wed Feb 15th 6:30 PM Wantagh Membership Roundup at Per un Angelo at the Jones Beach Hotel.

Thu Feb 16th, 2006 12 – 2 PM Levittown Brotherhood – Sisterhood Luncheon at Domenico's Restaurant Hempstead Tpke and Gardiner's Avenue in Levittown. The donation is \$24.00.



Massapequa donates toys to program serving the homeless

Thu Feb 16th The Hempstead club will hold a meeting with a special program concerning a Healthy Heart.

Feb 23rd – 26th New York District Mid-Winter Conference at the Hudson Valley Resort located at 400 Granite Road in Kerhonkson New York.

Fri Mar 3rd 7:00 PM LISC Testimonial dinner for IPLG Sharon Smith at the Nassau County Bar Association at 15th and West Streets in Mineola. The donation is \$65.00

Sun Mar 12th 8:30 – 11:30 AM East Meadow Pancake Breakfast at the East Meadow High School on Carmen Avenue in East Meadow. The donation is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

Thu Mar 16th Garden City St. Patrick's Day Luncheon at the Garden City Hotel Grand Ballroom at 45 Seventh Street in Garden City NY.

Mar 24th – 26th New York District Key Club Convention at Kutcher's Country Club in Monticello New York.

Sun April 2nd Bellmores Pancake Breakfast (Details will be announced).

Fri Apr 28th Hempstead hosts its 70th anniversary gala party at the Sterling located at 345 Hicksville Rd. in Bethpage.

Sun Apr 30th Memorial Breakfast hosted by West Hempstead.



Ramp permits Easy Access to home for young adult with a disability