



A MESSAGE FROM LG SUE MARTIN

We are all well on our way through the year and things are going smoothly. Our Divisionals have been greatly attended and I believe for the most part you are all happy with the new location. I know there have been a few things to iron out with the meal delivery in a timing aspect. I hope all will begin to smooth out as we go along. Please note that they are quite accommodating with the choices they provide.

Our next Divisional will be moved to February 5th due to the holiday weekend. The meeting will be held at Spumante's at 6:30 PM.

The upcoming Mid-Winter convention is going to be held at the Desmond Hotel in Albany. There will be a costume ball on Friday evening and the theme is going to be Mardi Gras. Your club secretaries and Presidents have been sent via email the information for ordering your costumes. You of course may choose to do your own costume and bring it up with you.



Past Governor Peter Mancuso

Beside all the forums that will be available, we will also be having a Kamp Kiwanis Baby Shower. The Conference Packets that your clubs received have the very healthy list of supplies that the Kamp is in need of. Please wrap your donation in a baby shower paper.

Our division will also be participating in the Basket raffle held at the Conference every year. I would like to ask all to bring something to the next Divisional on February 5th, to add to our basket. The theme of the basket is LONG ISLAND. I thought it would be fun to have things in it that are indicative of our area. (i.e. salt water taffy, bottle of wine from a Long Island Vineyard, barbeque things, etc) Anything you think represents your town, community, or area. I think it will be fun and unique.

This coming Friday, January 26th, our very own Super Distinguished Past Governor Peter Mancuso will be honored by the East Meadow Chamber of Commerce as Man of the Year. Our very sincere Congratulations to Peter! I know many will be there to help him celebrate this event, but know that all of us wish him well, and applaud him on this achievement.

Also fast approaching is the Testimonial Dinner for IPLG Warren Kalmenson. This is a man who deserves to be honored for his work and support for the Long Island

South Central Division for 2005- 2006. This event will be held on February 10th at the Temple B'nai Sholom, which is located at 100 Hempstead Avenue in Rockville Center, NY. The cost is \$75.00 per person. Cocktails will be served from 7 – 8 PM. Dinner and Dancing will follow from 8 –12. Please respond by February 1st. Your response should be directed to PLG Thomas Gallagher, c/o Century 21 American Homes, 2694 Hempstead Tpke, Levittown, NY.

Our thoughts and prayers continue for those around our Division dealing with illness and we wish them a speedy and thorough recovery. See you all on the 5th of February for our 4th Divisional!

**LONG ISLAND SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION OF
KIWANIS
LEARNS ABOUT POTENTIAL FUNDRAISING
INITIATIVE
Susie Trenkle**

At a recent meeting of the Long Island South Central Division of Kiwanis, hosted by the Seaford Kiwanis Club, members heard from guest speaker Frank Walker of Hicksville. Walker addressed the membership about a disease he was born with nearly 40 years ago, Prune Belly Syndrome which is also known as Eagle-Barrett Syndrome.



Robin Asigieri , Lt. Governor Sue Martin, and Past Governor Peter Mancuso (right) thank Frank Walker (second right) for an informative presentation on Prune Belly Syndrome.

The disease, which occurs in 1 in 40,000 live births results in deficient or absent abdominal muscles. Approximately 95 percent of those born with the disease are male and 50 percent of those with the disease will not live to celebrate their second birthday.

Walker had muscle removed from his thigh and put in his abdomen at the age of 15, a very rare surgery. It was not until he was 15 years old that he was able to even sit up on his own. He is currently the oldest living person to have this surgery. Now, a new doctor is investigating performing similar surgeries on infants, something that had previously been thought to be ineffective due to muscle growth. Walker will be part of a case study being done cooperatively between the doctor who performed his surgery and the doctor who is investigating the surgery for infants.

Sue Martin, the Lieutenant Governor of the Long Island South Central Division of Kiwanis, has said that she would like to adopt Prune Belly Syndrome as a special fundraising project for the division, a venture that the membership has enthusiastically supported.

To learn more about Prune Belly Syndrome or Frank Walker's case, you can log onto prunebelly.org.

MEMORIAL BREAKFAST REMINDER

The Memorial Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 29th, 2007, at 9 a.m. at the Nassau County Bar Association. The cost will be \$25.00 per person. Updating of the lists for the books will begin at the divisional in February.

AROUND THE DIVISION

We express our deepest sympathy to the Merrick club and the family of Honorary Member and Past President Leonard Sherer who passed on. His memory remains in our hearts and we will keep his family in our thoughts and our prayers.

We extend glad tidings to Town Hall's DPP Lawrence Schatz and DPP Lawrence T. (not C) Paretta. Larry Schatz is at home recovering from heart surgery. Meanwhile Town Hall's steely-eyed Public Safety Officer is at home recovering from surgery as well. Larry Schatz's home number is (516) 437-7047. Larry Paretta can be reached at (516) 826-8876. Both gentlemen welcome calls.

The **Bellmores** club has worked to make their meetings more interesting by trying to get speakers. Recently Russ Marnell gave a talk on the difficult topic of divorce, and the club plans to have a guest speaker at their



Staff at Borelli's brings Holiday Cheer to Needy Families

February 20th night meeting. The club is also working on membership. Members have been encouraged to bring a friend to meetings.

The **East Meadow** club celebrated the Holidays with friends, families, and lots of children on December 19th.

The children were treated to a visit from Thaddeus a magician who some say taught Merlin everything he knows. A wonderful time was had by all.

On Christmas Frank Borelli, his family, and staff opened Borelli's Restaurant up for needy families. Thanks to his generosity over 100 needy families and lots of children had a wonderful meal. Each child also received a present thanks to the generosity of members of the club. Special thanks to Alan Beinhacker and Liz Fries for the work that they did on this project.

Congratulations to Distinguished Past Governor Peter Mancuso on being chosen as East Meadow's Chamber Man of the Year.

The **Elmont** Club is working with Dutch Broadway Elementary School officials to conduct a reading contest for the fifth & sixth graders. Their objective is to encourage the students to improve their reading skills, and they hope that the contest will motivate the students. The contest will conclude with a party for the participants at which prizes will be awarded to the top three students. The kickoff date is March 19th. The culmination will occur in May.

Garden City is preparing for the wearing of the green. The club is gearing up for its 52nd annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon. This year's luncheon will be held on Thursday March 15th from 12 – 2 PM. The party will be



Santa Claus visits East Meadow Holiday Party

held in the Grand Ballroom of the Garden City Hotel. You can reserve a table of 10 for \$500.00 (in advance), and we've been told that there are a limited number of tables of 12 and 14 for \$600.00 and \$700.00 respectively. Make your check payable to The Garden City Kiwanis Foundation. Mail your check to John Collins at Margolin, Winer & Evans LLP 400 Garden City Plaza

Garden City, NY 11530. This is the club's major fundraiser and that's no blarney. For information, you can call John Collins at (516) 240-4361 or Patrick Curry at (516) 485-5577. Almost forgot to mention that there will be a raffle, and the first prize is Airline tickets (where else) to Ireland.

The **Hempstead** Club worked with the Garden City Club to coordinate a Health Fair at the Garden City Post

Office. If you get this letter via E-mail, then you will have the chance to get to this event as it is being held on Sunday January 28th from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. The Health Fair will take place at the Garden City Post Office, which is located at 600 Franklin Avenue in Garden City. The health fair includes free Glaucoma Screenings.



Karaoke Seaford style

Hempstead will present a Rock 'n Bowl experience on Saturday Feb 17th from 9 PM – 12 AM. The bowling will be held at Baldwin Bowl, which is located at 2407 Grand Avenue in

Baldwin. The cost will be \$30.00 per person. The experience will be a memorable one. Please RSVP by February 10th. You can RSVP to Hempstead's President Darlene West. You can call Darlene at (516) 565-0015 or Secretary Denise Thibou who can be reached at (631) 608-8606. All proceeds of this event will go towards helping the children and the community.

The **Levittown** club will be hosting its 34th annual Brotherhood and Sisterhood Luncheon on Thursday February 15th from 12 – 2 PM. The event will be held at Domenico's Restaurant, which is located near the corner of Hempstead Tpk and Gardiner's Avenue in Levittown. Members of the clergy are honored at this annual gathering. The cost of the event is \$24.00 per person. The club has asked all those who plan to attend to RSVP by February 8th, 2007. To RSVP, or for further information, please contact Steve Ellis at (516) 796-0400.

The **Merrick** club needed to fill the position of Secretary, and Shannon Kaplan, pen in hand has stepped up to the plate. Past President Bernie Stein, who had been serving as an interim Secretary breathed a sigh of relief and welcomed Kaplan with lots of Happy Dollars. The club will be hosting a night at which they will honor Everyday Heroes in the Merrick community.

This year's food and toy drive was so successful that the club had enough toys left over to donate them to Regina House. Thanks to Arlene Gregory for the toy collection party that she held at Century 21. Then there was DPP Doug Mills who collected enough groceries to donate them to the Coalition for Domestic Violence. Enough turkeys were collected to make a nice donation to the INN.

The club received an informative presentation on Kamp Kiwanis from New York District Foundation President Lindy Mazzarro. Mazzarro's remarks were received enthusiastically. He was joined by IPLG Warren

Kalmenson and Honorary Member IP Governor David Rothman. Mazzarro also highlighted a new initiative at Kamp Kiwanis. The Kamp held Military Week, and approximately 70 children of soldiers serving in the military spent a week at the kamp. They hope to repeat the program this year.

The club with a heart will be celebrating Valentine's Night on Tuesday February 13th. The love fest will be held at Jonathan's Restaurant.

On February 3rd at 10:00 AM, the **Seaford** club will be sponsoring a Defensive Driving course. The course will be held at 3238 Sunrise Highway. The cost will be \$25.00 per person. To make your reservations, please call 781-8300. Bagels and coffee will be served.

The club will be participating in an event to raise money for the AMT Children of Hope Foundation. The fundraiser will be held at Mulcaheys in Wantagh on February 11th from 3 – 8 PM. There will be an open bar and food. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. So come on out and party for a good cause.

On Feb 13th, come on out and celebrate Valentines Day at Davids with Seaford. Bring your spouses or significant other. The cost is \$17.00 per person.

On March 22nd at 7:00 PM, the club will hold their Scholarship fundraiser. The event will be held at the Sunset Grill, and it will feature the Booze Brothers. There will be food, a silent auction, and a cash bar. The cost will be \$25.00 per person. Tickets are now available.



Who needs American Idol when you've got Seaford

“To all our friends and members who are not feeling well, we wish you a speedy recovery. We look forward to attending Past Lt Gov Warrens testimonial. We have 3 perspective new

members. And to former Dist Gov and friend Peter, on his salute by the East Meadow Chamber congradulations from our club.” Robin / President of Seaford.

Wantagh's news (Janice Seyfried)

Now that the holidays are behind us and our food drive, Salvation Army, and toy drives were successful, we are ready to move forward in the New Year.

On Saturday, March 3rd, 2007, we will hold our famous "Men That Cook" family event and hope to have several community members and also Kiwanians as our guest chefs. We will also have a Chinese auction and there will be crafts for the children. Cost is only \$15.00 per person (\$5.00 for children) with all you can eat. If one can get through the serving table and still have room on their plate, they have accomplished something that is very difficult to do - food is always top notch! So come on and join us for an evening of fun! Tickets will be available at the divisional.

On Wed., Feb. 7th, we will have a speaker from the Shriners who will do a program on the Shriners Children's Hospitals. We hope that many members of our division will be able to come to hear this presentation- 6:30 p.m. at Per Un' Angelo in Wantagh. Call 826-6344 to let us know if you will join us.

The Wantagh club is distributing wonderful children's books called "Madison in New York" written by NY State's past First Lady Libby Pataki. If you have a favorite school or library who might want a copy or two, please let us know and we will get them to you. The illustrations are beautiful; the reading level is third grade but can be read to younger children.

OTHER NEWS From district PR Ambassador (me) The Read Around the World Program is scheduled this year to begin February 1st and run through the middle of March. There are materials available such as a suggested reading list, how to compose an op-ed (that's a message for the newspaper that would be printed opposite the editorial), and a sample press release. I will e-mail those materials to every club by the first of February so you have them to use if you are participating in the project. Thanks.

CALENDAR

(details see articles above)

Sat Feb 3rd 10:00 AM Seaford sponsors a Defensive Driving Course. The cost is \$25.00 Per Person.

Mon Feb 5th 6:30 PM LISC Divisional Council will gather at Spumante's restaurant.

Wed Feb 7th 7 – 11 PM Key Club 6 Divisional. The theme will be Everyday Hero Awards. The meeting will be held at Island Trees High School, which is located at 59 Straight Lane Island Trees Levittown, New York

Thu Feb 8th 7–11 PM The MacArthur High School Key Club will hold a fashion show to benefit Breast Cancer. The event will be held at MacArthur High School, which is located at 3369 Old Jerusalem Rd Levittown, NY

Sat Feb 10th 7PM – 12 AM Testimonial dinner for PLG Warren Kalmenson and Past First Lady Sue. The cost is \$75.00 per person.

Tue Feb 13th Seaford celebrates Valentine's Day. The cost is \$17.00 per person.

Thu Feb 15th 12 – 2 PM Levittown Brotherhood / Sisterhood Luncheon at Domenico's Restaurant. The cost is \$24.00 per person.

Sat Feb 17th 7 – 11 PM Come Rock and Bowl with the Hempstead Club. This event will be held at Baldwin Bowl, which is located in Baldwin NY. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

Feb 22nd – 25th New York District Mid Winter Conference will be held at the Desmond Hotel and Conference Center, which is located at 660 Albany Shaker Road in Albany, NY.

Sat Mar 3rd It's the Wantagh Club's annual Men That Cook Day. The event will take place at the Parish Hall of the Church of St. Jude in Wantagh.

Sun Mar 11th 8:00 AM The East Meadow Club's Pancake Breakfast will be held at the W T Clarke High School, which is located at 740 Edgewood Drive Westbury, NY.

Thu Mar 15th 12 – 2 PM The Garden City Club's St. Patrick's Day Luncheon will be held in the Garden City Hotel which is located at 45 7th Street in Garden City. The cost is \$500.00 for a table of 10.

Thu Mar 22nd 7:00 PM Seaford Scholarship fundraiser. The cost is \$25.00 per person.



**Seaford Karaoke
The Final Chapter**