



## A MESSAGE FROM LG SHARON SMITH

I would like to thank Tom Gallagher, Ted Rosenthal, and Alan Beinhacker for hosting the Texas Hold Em, Debbie Tota for helping out



Hempstead's Marta Nieves and Caroline Santos receive Hixon Awards

that night and for everything that she has done so far this year, and the members who played or asked their friends and families to come and play that night. Your support is very

much appreciated. Our big winner was our very own Kiwanian from East Meadow, Jim Skinner. Start asking your friends and family because Tom, Ted, and Alan promised to host one more game in September. We hope to have more people attend. If you weren't able to attend ask someone who did. It was a lot of fun.

On June 21<sup>st</sup> we will proudly welcome the International President Case Van Kleef and his wife Susan. We have invited other divisions and dignitaries. So please respond ASAP. We will be having dinner at Domenico's Restaurant in Levittown. The cost is \$25.00, and must be prepaid. Governor Glenn Hollins asked that we do not have any payments at the door to eliminate confusion that night. All checks should be mailed to me at 2341 Beach Street Bellmore, NY 11710. Please make your check payable to LISC Kiwanis. If you would like to include your E-mail address, I will E-mail you when I receive your check. We will not be holding our regular divisional on June 13<sup>th</sup>, so please try to make this special event. We will be sending out an E-mail to let you know what time the dinner will start. The August Divisional will now be hosted by the Town Hall, Merrick, and Nassau County Courthouses Clubs.

I am trying to visit all of the clubs in our division. If you have a special meeting planned, please let me know in advance so that I can try to be there. A special thank you to President Denise A Thibou from Hempstead who has accompanied me to many functions and recently joined me in going to the Elmont Kiwanis Club to take pictures of two new members installed, and the KPTC Chinese Auction at the Swan Club.

The Hempstead Kiwanis Club had a very memorable evening at Picollo's Restaurant in Bellmore on May 18<sup>th</sup>. It was to honor two very special people, Vice President Marta Nieves and Past President Caroline Santos. Both members received the Hixon Award, which is one of the highest honors that a Kiwanian can receive. These members are very active in the club and very deserving of this award. Caroline has been instrumental in arranging the program called Read Around the World. This program has the Key Club of Hempstead reading a total of 80 hours to the elementary school children. Marta is always there to help with all the functions that Hempstead runs. She donates many items to the Kampers, the Games for the Physically Challenged, and to the children of Hempstead. This world is enriched by their efforts.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May we held our Divisional Memorial Breakfast, hosted by the Bellmores Kiwanis Club, at Bedell's West Wind Yacht Club. Each club read off a list of Kiwanians from their club that have passed on. Each year another club hosts the Memorial Breakfast. Next year this event will be hosted by the West Hempstead Club. This event gives us the opportunity to remember Kiwanians who have passed from this world, but whose service and fellowship will be sadly missed, but never forgotten.



**Elmont Inducts new members**

The Merrick club is inducting three more members at their next meeting. President Doug has been very busy inducting new members this year. Thank

you for letting me know and inviting me to all of your club's functions.

We are now into the summer months, and it is time to start practicing for the Memorial Softball game, which will be held on Friday August 26<sup>th</sup>. The rain date for this event is Monday August 29<sup>th</sup>. I have challenged the LISW Division, and they seem very excited about humbling our division. If you are interested in playing, please let me know as soon as possible. We will need a manager to get our team into shape. Can this be the year that we win? (Dream on Sharon) We will also be having a BBQ that evening. Any clowns or face painters out there?

Next month is the International Convention in Hawaii. To all that are going, have a safe, fun, and informative trip. Bring back lots of information.

**Editor's Note Under no circumstances should LG Sharon be told.** Rumor has it that in November Sharon's nickname will be changing from "Classy" to "Grandma".

### **AROUND THE DIVISION**

Congratulations to Bob Cummo & Roe Truelove's 13 year old Granddaughter Christina Longofono. She was inducted into the Spanish Language Honor Society in her school in Milford CT. We are very proud of her.

We would like to offer our deepest sympathy to John Tufarelli on the passing of his mother Angelina. Best wishes to Hempstead's Mary

Burns who is recovering from surgery. Best wishes to Rocco Dinisio Sr. who is recovering from heart surgery. Congratulations to Town Hall President Bill Flanagan, who has won reelection as the President of CSEA Local 880.

The **Garden City** Club held a dinner meeting for perspective members. The club also tested their pioneering spirit on their annual canoe trip down the mighty Peconic River which is known as the River of No Return. Finally, members of the club are looking forward to placing some turf investments at Belmont Park on Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup>.

The **Hempstead** club has changed its meeting location to Kennedy Park on Greenwich Street in Hempstead. The meetings will begin at 7 PM sharp. The next three meetings will take place on Thu Jun 16<sup>th</sup>, Thu Jul 14<sup>th</sup>, and Thu Jul 21<sup>st</sup>. As mentioned above, Hempstead honored Carolyn Santos and Marta Nieves two hard working Kiwanians with the Hixon award.

The **Levittown** Kiwanis Club held their annual Community Pride Day on May 7<sup>th</sup> and it was a success. Everyone had a good time. The club has begun intensive physical training for their annual Father's Day Run which will take place on Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 8:00 AM. The race will begin behind the Tri County Flea Market. This is a 5K run.

The PGA will move to Massapequa, as the **Massapequa** Kiwanis club will host its annual Golf Classic on Monday June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Town of Oyster Bay Golf Club. There will be a Shotgun start at 11:00 AM. This is the club's major fundraiser, and we wish them every success both on the course and raising funds.

Meanwhile the club is looking forward to the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Baldinger / NFL Charity Football Clinic. On Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>, children will have the opportunity to play with and learn from high school, college, and professional football players. The action will take place at Burns Park in Massapequa. As Gary Baldinger put it in a letter to friends and supporters, "Our first

10 clinics have been attended by over 1,000 youths who have all benefited from a day of football and fun. To date, over \$38,000 has been raised to support local community sports programs. The clinic emphasizes football fundamentals and the positive results from participating in sports." As you can see, this event has effected many lives and raised a good deal of money for a worthy cause.

The **Merrick** club celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their charter night. The meeting was attended by more than sixty Kiwanians and LG Sharon Smith. The evening's festivities included the presentation of attendance pins. Congratulations to Al Barthel who has been a Kiwanian in attendance for 48 years. One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of a Kaiser award to Administrative Treasurer Steve Kaplan.

The **Town Hall** club is looking forward to their annual Pancake Breakfast to support the Camp Anchor program. The Anchor program serves over 800 developmentally challenged participants.



Participants at Camp Anchor Program

The club helped the LISC division by hosting a meeting at which Bags containing useful items were assembled for the children that clubs throughout the

division will be sending to camp. Many hands made light work as representatives from the Bellmores, East Meadow, Franklin Square, Garden City, Hempstead, Massapequa, and the Nassau University Medical Center club helped to do a large job very quickly. We thank all of those who participated, and I apologize if I missed any clubs.

**Uniondale** held a very successful pancake breakfast. The club would like to thank those in the division who helped them. For those who missed the event, you missed a good time. Uniondale is giving out Scholarship

awards this month. They are planning a bus trip to a casino sometime in June or July. "We will keep everyone informed. I will be away up north to Alaska until June 8. See you all soon. Marilyn"

**West Hempstead** wishes to thank all their friends from the Division for coming to and making their annual Pancake Breakfast a success, probably the best ever when all the results are in. "Makes all our 'gang' proud to be a part of Kiwanis International, especially a part of the LISC. See you at the next Divisional."

## CALENDAR

**Sun Jun 12th** Franklin Square Pancake Breakfast at Boulder Creek 700 Hempstead Tpke in Franklin Square. The donation is \$5.00.

**Mon Jun 13th 11:00 AM** Massapequa Golf Classic at the Town of Oyster Bay Golf Course. The donation is \$190.00. For more information, please contact Golf Classic Chairperson Rocco L. Dionisio Jr. at (516) 356-5180 or you can E-mail Rocco at [masstang@optonline.net](mailto:masstang@optonline.net)

**Tue Jun 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30 PM** The LISC Division will host a dinner for Kiwanis International President Case Van Kleef. The meeting will be held at Domenico's Restaurant. The donation is \$25.00. Please make your checks payable to LISC Kiwanis and send it to Sharon Smith 2341 Beach Street Bellmore, NY 11710. No payment will be accepted at the door. For more information, please contact LG Sharon at (516)679-5701.

**Sat Jul 9<sup>th</sup>** The Massapequa club participates in the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Baldinger / NFL Football Clinic which will be held at Burns Park in Massapequa.

**Fri Aug 26<sup>th</sup>** The LISC and LISW meet in a Memorial Softball Game. The rain date for this