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A MESSAGE FROM LG KIM

AKTION CLUB PARTICIPATES IN 911 TELETRAINER PROJECT WILE CLUB SHINES IN MEMBERSHIP SCAVANGER HUNT

By Irene Stacy

The Nassau Boces RKS at JFK High School Aktion Club had a very special meeting on March 8 with 2 members of the Bellmore Fire Department. Ex-Captain and Past Bellmore Kiwanis President John Scalesi and Ex-Chief Frazier brought a piece of equipment to the club called



Pictured are John flanked by our President John Burke and Vice President Judy Mankita with the beautiful first place basket.

the Teletrainer. The Teletrainer simulates a 2-way telephone conversation which enabled the students to practice calling 911. The Aktion Club members have various mental challenges so working with the Teletrainer system is invaluable for them. Their Kiwanis Advisor, Judy Mankita (Vice President of Bellmore Kiwanis) is very grateful to Ex-Captain Scalesi for providing the club with this training tool.

Our Divisional Membership Scavenger Hunt has concluded and the winner this year is Bellmore! We are absolutely thrilled to have won. Our members worked diligently to fulfill all of the requirements for this challenge and our very own John Scalesi made it all possible.

The calendar says it is spring and we have been springing into service in the past month even if the weather has been a little chilly. Our clubs have been holding pancake breakfasts, safety fairs, food drives and working with our Service Leadership Programs. In addition, our membership keeps growing because of the good that we are doing within our communities. We partnered with the Let All the Children Play Foundation to host an inclusive sports clinic. I've never been prouder of our Kiwanis Family here in the Long Island South Central Division.

In the coming months, we need to continue to work together to improve the communities in which we live and the larger world community. The Kiwanis International Foundation is collecting funds for Japan Disaster Relief and has already made a donation to the Japan District of Kiwanis to disseminate to those in need. We need to find children to sponsor to send to Kamp Kiwanis and try to send one more Kamper this summer. If you have funds to sponsor Kampers but do not have the children, contact our club at the Nassau University Medical Center, they always have children that would benefit from the week at Kamp.

I look forward to seeing all of you at upcoming events within the division. If there is anything I can do to be of assistance to you or your club, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is kscharoff@gmail.com or you can reach me by phone at 516-680-7360.

Yours in Service,
Kim

ADELPHI UNIVERSITY CIRCLE K HOSTS CUPCAKES FOR KIDS By Nicole Russo

On March 23rd, 2011, a charity fundraiser was held by Adelphi University's Circle K to raise money for the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center. The fundraising event was held at The Cupcake Corner, located at 61 New Hyde Park Road in Garden City,

NY. The Cupcake Corner is a bakery shop that sells cupcakes and assorted coffees and teas, and the owner, Laura Graney was kind enough to provide cupcakes for a donation to KPTC. Nearly 50 people showed up to support the event, including members from both C.W. Post and Queens College Circle K clubs. Former NY District Governor and President of the North Shore Pediatric Trauma Center, Joseph L. Corace was also in attendance and presented Garden City Kiwanis Liaison Nicole Russo and Adelphi Circle K President Kaitlyn Henn with a 20th Anniversary KPTC pin in recognition of their hard work setting up this event.

There were various cupcake flavors for members to sample, such as bacon and French Toast. "I love eating for a cause!" said Meagan Gandolfo, a sophomore at Adelphi. Attendees also spent the night working on a service project conducted by Adelphi's Circle K. They colored pictures of safety related cartoon characters that will later be cut and laminated into puzzles. These puzzles will be donated to local libraries, in order to help children have fun and learn about safety. The evening was a great success, and over \$500 was raised for the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center.

These special "Adelphi Circle K Cupcakes" will be on sale until April 23rd for \$2.50 at The Cupcake Corner. All profits will go to the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center.

CLEAN PLATES ABOUND AT KIWANIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

By Steve Dalton

Levittowners of all ages prepped for the LEADD Walk/Fair at Levittown Memorial Educational Center on Sunday as the Levittown Kiwanis Club hosted its annual pancake breakfast fundraiser.

Thanks to the generous donation of the local Denny's, attendees "chow-downed" on delicious sausages and pancakes cooked to order by "K-Chefs" Fred Interdonato, Gary Crozier, Glenn Lachow, and Peter Ryan. Servers included local Key Club volunteers, Hempstead Town Supervisor Kate Murray, and Nassau County Legislator Dennis Dunne, Levittown Kiwanians themselves, also stopped by.

"Part of the reason this event is so successful is because our local businesses always step up to the plate and make a donation for our placemats," remarked Past Lieutenant Governor Kevin Regan.

Close to 40 local groups, organizations, and businesses—ranging from Astoria Federal Savings and the Levittown Public Library to Levittown Lanes and Dalton Funeral Home—took ads this year.

"The turnout for this event is always tremendous," added Distinguished Past President Peter Ray. The event, which routinely ranks as one of the club's biggest fundraisers each year proved to be a huge success as over one-hundred people attended. Though some walked away with raffle prizes, everyone walked away with a full stomach.

The Levittown Kiwanis Club is grateful to members of fellow Kiwanis Clubs, and L.G. Kim, for their attendance at the event as well. You all embody the true Kiwanis spirit.

THANKS FROM DISTINGUISHED PAST GOVERNOR JOE CORACE

Please thank the following Kiwanis clubs for attending the St. Joseph's St. Patrick's party. They traveled a long way to support the event.

East Meadow
Garden City
Levittown
Nassau University Medical Center
Wantagh

FRANKLIN SQUARE HAS GUEST BARTENDER NIGHT AND WORKS ON MEMBERSHIP

**Edited from Articles by Mike Fusco and Juli
Davis-Olson**

Lots of fun was had by all that attended President Mike Fusco's 2nd Guest Bartender Fundraiser, which was held at CJ Wellington's in Franklin Square, on March 11th. In Fact so much fun that we are scheduling a 3rd Mike Fusco Guest Bartending Night for sometime at the end of April. Many thanks to Franklin Square Kiwanis Club Member and owner of CJ Wellington's and Christine Murphy (Manager), who hosted the evening for the Franklin Square Kiwanis Club at their great establishment. It was a \$15 donation which included a delicious Buffet (donated by CJ Wellington's), Live Band, many free door prizes, 50/50, discounted beverages and lots and lots of laughs. The club raised \$535 after all expenses, while having a great time. Over 50 Kiwanians and Neighbors attended.



Pictured Ray Mineo pinning son Anthony as a new member with current President Mike Fusco.

Franklin Square Kiwanis is on the grow!! We have welcomed 8 new members this year, with the latest being Anthony Mineo. Anthony was a member of Sewanhika High School Key Club where he served as Lt. Governor, and then he went on to Penn State University and joined the Circle K club. Now he is back in his home town where his father Ray Mineo is a founding member of the Franklin Square Kiwanis Club. Ray served as the club's Charter President in 2000.

REMEMBERING JANICE

Edited from Article by John H. Meyers

Janice Seyfried was born and raised in Wantagh where she has resided all her life. When she was growing up in that sleepy little town, the area was mostly farm land with migrant workers' shacks, including where the present-day Seaford-Oyster Bay Expressway was built

Janice was in the first class to graduate from Wantagh High School. After she graduated, she enrolled in the Katharine Gibbs School in New York City. When she completed the Gibbs courses, she worked at that school as executive secretary to the director for a few years while attending night classes at New York University. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in economics/accounting from Elmira College. Janice returned to Katherine Gibbs and taught during the summer and began a career as a business teacher in the Baldwin Senior High School.

Janice earned a Master's degree in guidance and counseling from St. John's University. Her professional diploma in educational administration

is from the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University. She is licensed in business guidance and as a school district administrator.

During her tenure at Baldwin, she was instrumental in starting a computer program in the business department and served the state by participating in curriculum writing for two of the courses that were offered and piloting both of them. The Association of Computer Educators (ACE), a tri-state organization of technology teachers, awarded her "Outstanding Technology Educator of the Year" in 1990.

Janice is a past officer of the Baldwin Teachers Association and was a union rep for many years. In 1994, retired from teaching, she opened a small graphic arts business from her home specializing in newsletters, journals and invitations.

Janice has always been a dynamo when it comes to community involvement; in her church, she sings in the choir, is in the altar guild, chaired St. Jude's church fair several times, and sits on the vestry where she is the vestry clerk. She was elected to the Wantagh Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for three years, including being their corresponding secretary while Ed Donnelly served as the chamber president.

As a member and a past president of the Massapequa Kiwanis Club, Janice was always interested in my involvement in Kiwanis. In February 1995 I sponsored Janice when she joined the struggling Wantagh Kiwanis Club and became president. She wanted to help bring the club back to life.

Janice says that Kiwanis has been the most rewarding part of her retirement. The Wantagh club was the Wantagh Chamber's "Organization of the Year" in 1995. She served again as president in 2002-2003. Janice says the Kiwanis Club of Wantagh is dedicated to the children and residents of Wantagh. Janice also served as the division's lieutenant governor in 2000-2001. She was given a lifetime membership in Kiwanis by the Wantagh Club.

In 1995 Janice was instrumental in chartering the first Kiwanis Key Club in the world for handicapped or special needs – at BOCES in Wantagh – the Center for Community Adjustment (CCA) of Wantagh Key Club, which is thriving to this day. In 2002 she was the new club builder for the Kiwanis

Club of Seaford and recently in 2007 the Kiwanis Club of Uniondale United.

Janice has served at the district (state) level as district public relations chairperson for the past seven years and serves as a recruiter and new club builder as well as the division secretary of the Long Island South Central Division of the New York District of Kiwanis International.

Janice's dedication to community service in Kiwanis has been acknowledged by the receipt of many of the organization's highest awards. George L. Prout Award – 1997 – first place for outstanding newsletter in the New York District of Kiwanis and also the International Award for all of Kiwanis International that was presented to her last year during the International Convention in Montreal. She told me that her most thrilling moment was when she received the “Kiwanian of the Year” for both club and division in the same year. The Anton J. Kaiser award – that includes a \$1,000 fellowship donated to the New York district foundation for Kamp Kiwanis given to Janice by the LISC Division, Diamond Level Kaiser award.

The George F. Hixson award was given to her by the Wantagh Club. The Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center award includes \$1,000 to support the Trauma Center at North Shore University Hospital, Manhasset; the Brittany Award includes a \$500 contribution to Pediatric Lyme Disease given to Janice by the Wantagh Club. And two KPTC fellowship awards from Key Clubs, and the Wantagh Club. This year the Wantagh Chamber of Commerce voted her Citizen of the Year and state Assemblyman David McDonough awarded Janice a Woman of Distinction award.

Nothing exemplifies Janice more than her wish to continue her volunteer work in the community and to help make life better for those in need.

Janice was married to the late Eric Seyfried, music director of the Freeport Schools.

The KIWANIS CLUB OF WANTAGH, membership, Officers and Board, will miss her dearly.

CALENDAR

Sun Apr 3rd 8 AM – 12 PM The Kiwanis Club of Franklin Square and K-Kids Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser will be held at C J Wellingtons, which is located at 30 New Hyde Park Rd in Franklin Square. The cost is only \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for Seniors, and \$3.00 for **children**.

Fri Apr 8th 7 – 10 PM Pediatric Trauma Center Bingo and Baskets Fund Raiser will be held at the East Meadow Firehouse, which is located at 197 East Meadow Avenue in East Meadow.

Apr 8th – 10th New York District Key Club Leadership Training will take place at the Holiday Inn in Albany New York.

Mon Apr 11th 6:30 PM LISC Divisional Council will be held at Domenico's Restaurant, which is located at 3270 A Hempstead Tpke in Levittown.

Thu Apr 14th 12 – 2 PM The Levittown Club will hold its annual Brotherhood / Sisterhood Luncheon. The event will be held at Domenico's Restaurant, which is located at 3270 A Hempstead Tpke in Levittown.

Fri Apr 29th 9 PM – 1 AM Uniondale United will host their second Annual Masquerade Ball. The event will be held at the Sherman Van Ness Fire Station, which is located at 154 Uniondale Avenue in Uniondale NY.

Sun May 1st 9 AM The LISC Memorial Breakfast will be hosted by the Merrick Kiwanis Club. The event will be held at the Hofstra University Club, which is located at Hempstead Tpke in Uniondale.

Sat May 7th 9 PM The KPTC will host A Night of Oldies and Doo-Wop. The event will take place at Brookside School, which is located at 1260 Meadowbrook Rd in N Merrick,.

Sun May 15th West Hempstead Pancake Breakfast will be held at the West Hempstead High School.

Sun May 15th Franklin Square will hold their 10th Annual Street Fair. The rain date is Sun May 22.