



## JP Di Troia , Lieutenant Governor 2014-2015

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### MESSAGE FROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JP DI TROIA

As we are entering the new month our Kiwanis family is growing with 483 new members added to our New York district to date.

We had the majority of the Queens Division present at our Elections last month. We have hearty Congratulations to newly Elected Lieutenant Governor Designate Bob Kueber.



I just returned from a charter night with the new club formed in Washingtonville NY. It was amazing, with 42 new members to start. This was quite a feat since many of the new members are miles apart from each other. I asked Gerda Krogslund, the Lieutenant Governor of Hudson River West how she did it. "I worked hard, persevered with recruiting and received help from local friends and businesses." Congratulations to a Lieutenant Governor Gerda Krogslund for a great job.

My First Lady Tina and I also attended the Centennial visit with our Kiwanis International President Dr. John Button at the China town club event. They installed 9 new members. There were also 14 Centennial awards presented for Project Eliminate saving 10,500 babies from dying of Tetanus. How amazing! International Kiwanis Clubs have raised \$79 million so far. More good news is that the matching Mother's Day Zeller Award is back. All you need is to make a \$625.00 donation between April 15th and May 31st and you can present a beautiful Mother's Day Zeller award to someone in your club. Click on for more details <http://www.kiwanis-ny.org/1415/mothersdayzellerguidelines.doc>.

Our division's goal is to bring in 112 new members by September which will surpass last year's new membership. To date in our division, we have added 31 new members (net 12) which leave only 81 new members to go. If you divide that by our 17 clubs, the division's average would be 4 to 5 new members for the year or two new members a month for from each club by September to reach our goal. I have faith in our clubs that we can do this. Let us make May the month for growth as the summer approaches and new energy is instilled in our members. Last month I asked each club to have a round up for membership and to advise me of the date of the event. So far, I have only heard from one club, who had a round up drive at a street fair. If I can be of any assistance please let me know. Remember, a membership round up can be to invite a Guest Day at your meeting (The Contest is still going on. Contact DIPG Joe Aiello for details). An informal meet and greet at a restaurant, have a club table at a flea market or street fair are some ideas.

Congratulations to Verdia Noel who was presented with the coveted member of the year award at the La Guardia Clubs Gala Dinner at Leonard's of Great Neck. Our Governor Eric Paul

was in attendance and as well as, Kiwanis Clubs of Middle Village, Maspeth, East River, Lefferts / Liberty and Lt Gov Queens East Veronica Witherspoon and her husband PLTG Robert Witherspoon. Our Governor Eric Paul really knows how to cut a rug on the dance floor as he enjoyed the event with many others from our division. It was a wonderful event and the LaGuardia Club will be having their 75th Anniversary next year. This is an event you don't want to miss.

The NewsLetter has a new feature. If we missed a birthday wish on the list, please let me know so we can post it the following month on our new heading belated birthday wishes and corrections.

Important dates to mark on your Calendar. Monday, June 8th is our Governors Visit at O'Neill's Restaurant 64-21 53rd Drive, Maspeth, NY at 6 PM for Presidents and Secretaries for a requested meeting by Governor Eric Paul and 7 PM for all other members. The cost for this event is \$35.00. This will be our divisional meeting and will replace our regular meeting date. All clubs that participated at Kiwally's and Kiwanas's Wedding, will be presented with the Commemorative Banner Patch at this event. Clubs who did not participate, and wish to earn the Banner Patch there is still time to order one with a \$100.00 donation payable to Kiwanis International Foundation (Memo: Project Eliminate).

Finally Our Division will be hosting a trip to Atlantic City on Sunday, June 14th, a fund raiser to help my Lieutenant Governors Fund. We will be meeting at 8 AM at the U.S. Columbarium 61-40 Mount Olivet Crescent, Middle Village, NY and will return at 9:30 PM. The cost is \$45.00 with \$35.00 back from the Taj Mahal Casino. Contact Linda Guarneri at 516-850-4667 for reservations.

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# To All Our June Division Members

June 1st:	Gary Bacchi	Glendale
June 3rd:	Barbara Camarinos	Astoria/LIC
	Daniel Austin	Middle Village
June 4th:	Eugene Greco	Howard Bch
	Rao K Boddu	Queens Blvd
June 5th:	Frank Pantina	Howard Bch
	Dr. George Bonetti	Rich. Hill/Wdhaven
June 6th:	Rosemary Kruh	Maspeth
	Roger Recker	LaGuardia
	George Ries Jr.	Glendale
June 7th:	Paul Cynamon	Woodside
June 11th:	Joanne Billharz	Sunnyside
	Arthur Gualtieri	Astoria/LIC
June 13th:	Terence Reilly	Glendale
	Anthony Parolisi	Howard Bch.
	Alphonse Gentile	Middle Village
June 14th:	Vincent Montera	LaGuardia
June 15th:	Joseph Anzalone	Howard Bch.
	Monika Wenzl	Queens Blvd.
June 16th:	Jeffrey Hayes	Forest Hills
	Michelle Masone	Maspeth
	Randolph Weekes	Corona/E. Elm.
June 17th:	Ciro Locascio	Glendale
	Diane Rufus-Fousheé	E. Elm/Lefrak GoldenK
June 18th:	Peter LaFranca	Howard Bch.
June 19th:	Thomas Long	Forest Hills
	Giancarlo Iannaucchi	Howard Bch.
	Doris Stockton	E. Elmhurst
June 20th:	Hank Kraker	Glendale
	Daniela Haroutunian	Glendale
June 25th:	James O'Kane	Maspeth
June 29th:	Anthony Siano	Astoria/LIC
	Pedro Tronilla	Forest Hills
	Pat Thorpe	E. Elm/Lefrak GoldenK

### Belated Birthday Wishes!

*We missed Ilyssa Fuchs of East River Kiwanis for her birthday on May 4th! Happy Belated Birthday Ilyssa!*

### Queens West Division - Upcoming Events:

- May 15, 2015      Glendale's Wine Pairing - Gino's Trattoria. 1113 Jericho Tpke., New Hyde Park @7pm  
5 Course Dinner with Wine pairing; Call Lou Di Rico 516-521-5368 or Joe Vessio 718-459-1223 for tickets/info.
- May 18, 2015      **Division Meeting, Villa Erasmo @7pm**
- May 23, 2015      QUEENS WEST KIWANIS 1ST ANNUAL CHARITY SOFTBALL GAME, 1:00-6:00 @ REIFF PLAYGROUND FRESH POND ROAD AT 59TH DRIVE, MASPETH, QUEENS; TICKETS WILL BE \$5 EACH, WITH THE PROCEEDS GOING TO THE QUEENS WEST FOUNDATION; INFO - CONTACT: JAMES VAN WESTERING AT 347-554-0557 OR BOB KUEBER AT 347-489-0068
- May 29, 2015      Middle Village Family Fun Night at the Whitestone Lanes 30-05 Whitestone Expressway, Flushing NY 11354 718 353-6300 @ 7pm. \$20.00 per person, includes 2 games of bowling and shoes. All Proceeds will help send deserving children to Kamp Kiwanis  
Cash snack and bar available.
- May 30, 2015      East River Club is collecting items for the mothers of Hour Children and will be having a Pamper Party on Saturday, 11am - 1pm at the Hour Children Working Women's Office located at 13-07 37th Avenue (bet. 13th & 14th Sts.). Info: Donna Furey, Esq., President - 347-448-2549
- June 8, 2015      **Division Meeting/Governors Visit** - Monday, June 8, 2015 6pm for all Presidents & Secretaries; 7pm for members at O'Neill's Restaurant, Maspeth, NY
- June 13, 2015      Sunnyside Kiwanis Flag Day Parade Saturday, @ 11:00 A.M. along Greenpoint Ave. from 41 Street to 48 Street. Celebration at the Veterans Memorial Plaza Sabba Park on Queens Blvd. at 49th Street. For more information or to have your group march in the parade please call 718-786-4141. Visit our website: WWW.SUNNYSIDEPARADE.COM
- June 14, 2015      Lt Gov Fund Raiser Atlantic City Trip - Sunday Meet @ 8 AM. at US Columbarium. Cost \$45.00 with \$35.00 back from Casino. Bus returns about 9:30 PM. For more details Call JP Di Troia - 718-821-9700

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MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015**

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**7 pm**

*The Queens West Foundation will meet at  
5:45 pm at Division meeting's location.*

## Howard Beach Celebrates!

The Kiwanis Club of Howard Beach celebrated its 53rd Annual Dinner Dance. The event honored the Immediate Past President Daniel Golom. Detective Kenny Zorn, Community Affairs Officer for the 106th Pct. received the Community Service Award, and Joseph Mure Jr., Kiwanis Ben Bay club member, received the Clement Vicari Service Award for his work with Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.



L-R: NYS Assemblyman Philip Goldfeder, Joe Mure and guest, NYC Councilman Eric Ulrich, Detective Kenny Zorn, Immediate Past President Daniel Golom, NYS Senator Joseph Addabbo Jr., Club Vice President Robert LoCascio.



L-R: Current Club President John Spagnuolo and Vice President Robert LoCascio stand guard over the ice sculpture celebrating 100 years of service by Kiwanis.

## LaGuardia's Gala



What a handsome group! I-r. First Lady Tina Di Troia; Lt Gov QW, J.P. Di Troia; Governor Eric Paul; Lt. Gov. QE Veronica Witherspoon and husband Robert Witherspoon, PLG, QE



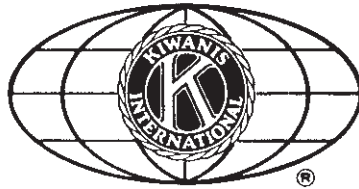
At the La Guardia Gala event our very own SDPLG, Verdina Noel Receiving the member of the year award





Our Governor Eric Paul Really knows how to cut a rug dancing with Maspeth President Michelle Masone at the LaGuardia GALA



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## *International President Dr. John Button visits the Chinatown Club for their Centennial*



9 Members were Installed during the Centennial visit to the Chinatown Club by International President Dr. John Button.



14 Centennial Awards were given at the Centennial Visit, Saving 10,500 babies for Project Eliminate



Some of the Entertainment for he guests!



L-R: Nydia Corace, Sr. Anne Kirmse, Joanne and Justin Underwood.

### *Woodside's Installation*



### *Washingtonville*



### *Charter Night*



*37 strong!*

## Queens West Kiwanis Memorial Service

On Tuesday, June 9th the Kiwanis Clubs of Queens East and West will host the 52nd Annual Queens Kiwanis Memorial Service. The service will be held at the Queens Botanical Gardens, 43-50 Main Street, Flushing. There will be refreshments serviced beginning at 11 AM and the service performed at 12 Noon. The service will be for those Kiwanians who have passed away since our last service. Following the services, members will have the option of visiting the Kiwanis Memorial Site at the Kiwanis Grove and/or viewing the surrounding areas of the Gardens.

For all Kiwanis Clubs not memorializing a deceased member, your contribution towards the service is greatly appreciated. All donations, in any amount, can be made payable to the Queens West Kiwanis Foundation.

There is free parking in the Botanical Gardens Parking Lot, located on Blossum Avenue. If anyone needs additional information, please contact John Stahl (718) 651-9479.

## April's Division Meeting



L-R: Joe Corace, DPG; Mike Miller, SDPLTG; Joe Aiello, IPDG; Bob Kueber LT. Gov. Designate, Steve Sirgiovanni, IPDLTG and Verdia Noel, PDLTG. Bob Kueber was voted in at the April Division meeting as the LT. Governor Designate from the Queens West Division.



Joe Corace presenting patch's from KPTC for the work of the Division at Ronald Mc Donald House.

## THE MIDDLE VILLAGE CLUB'S TOURNIQUET FUNDRAISER

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TOURNIQUET INC. BEGAN ALMOST 4 DECADES AGO WITH MY PARENTS, ELVIRA AND FREDDY D'ELIA. IT WAS THEIR WISH AND HOPE THAT THIS VENTURE WOULD CONTINUE WITH ME AND MY SON FREDDY, PERPETUATING THIS ENDLESS, NEVER KILL MISSION.

FOR 36 YEARS, I HAD A REWARDING CAREER AS A SPEECH THERAPIST FOR THE BOE. SIMULTANEOUSLY, AS I TAUGHT, THE WORK WITH SAVING ANIMALS BEGAN. WHILE I WAS TEACHING, SEVERAL OF MY STUDENTS, WITH THEIR PARENTS PERMISSION, ADOPTED SOME OF OUR RESCUES. THESE COMPASSIONATE STUDENTS LEARNED THAT LIVING BEINGS, THAT DON'T SPEAK, HAVE FEELINGS TOO AS THEY DEVELOPED A LOVING ANIMAL COMPANION RELATIONSHIP.

THEIR PARENTS SUBSEQUENTLY RELATED HOW WONDERFULLY THE NEW PET AND THEIR CHILD INTERACTED. THE LOVING BOND CREATED BY THE NEW PET AND THE CHILD, PROVED THERAPEUTIC, AS IT ENHANCED THE CHILD'S SPEAKING CAPABILITIES AND PROVIDED A POSITIVE LIFETIME LEARNING EXPERIENCE, WITH A WIN-WIN SITUATION FOR ALL.

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WE CONSTANTLY STRUGGLE TO KEEP UP WITH THE NUMBER OF NEW RESCUES AND THE MANY MEDICAL CHALLENGES THAT AWAIT US EACH DAY. SINCE WE DON'T HAVE A BOARDING FACILITY, WE DESPARATELY SEEK ADDITIONAL FOSTERS, WHO MAY HELP US, AS WE READY EACH STRAY FOR ADOPTION. OUR FUNDING RESOURCES ARE FROM A FEW FOUNDATIONS, CORPORATIONS AND CHARITABLE TRUSTS AS WELL AS THE GENEROSITY OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. SINCE FEEDING AND MEDICAL EXPENSES ARE HIGH, (DUE TO THE VOLUME OF ANIMALS AND CHALLENGES WE MEET EACH DAY), MOST OF THE FUNDING COMES FROM MY PENSION, WHICH LIMITS WHAT I CAN DO.

I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIR MARISA TARANTINO AND THE KIWANIS CLUB OF MIDDLE VILLAGE AND THEIR PRESIDENT, AL GENTILE, FOR SUPPORTING THIS EVENT. IT WILL ENABLE TOURNIQUET INC. TO CONTINUE IT'S NEVER KILL MISSION, AS WE TOGETHER SAVE ONE STRAY AT A TIME.

JACQUELINE DELIA, DIRECTOR



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