## Finger Lakes

## **Division Meeting Minutes**

## April 2014 Division Meeting

Location: Eddie O'Brien's Grille & Bar

Lt. Gov. Dave convened the meeting at 7:00PM. The host club was Brighton.

Lt. Gov. Dave welcomed the members and recognized dignitaries in attendance.

The Brighton club led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and song. The opening prayer was given by Jim Exton.

Lt. Gov. Dave gave his opening remarks to those in attendance. He advised the group that Stefanie Szwejbka, Prevention Education and Outreach Specialist from Bivona would be the facilitator for a seminar to be held on Wednesday, April 30th, 6:00PM to 8:30PM, location to be announced. Lt. Gov. Dave will be sending information to each club. Any member who interacts with youth must be certified as attending this seminar. Kiwanians from the Genesee Division will also participate in this training seminar.

Lt. Gov. Dave next introduced three members from the new Geneva Club who were present: Don Cass, President, Roland Salmi, and Montrose Streeter. The club meets on Thursday nights at 6PM at Hobart & William Smith Campus, Gulick Hall, Room 206A, Pultney Street, Geneva, NY 14564 and almost has enough members to charter the new club. Support for the new club has been provided by Leo Fisher, shadow secretary, Steve Hurlburt, shadow treasurer, Marianne Gallagher, shadow president, and Peg Bobzin, Dick McDermott and Barbara Years as mentors.

Next Lt. Gov. Dave asked for a motion to accept the secretary's minutes from the February Division Meeting. On a motion from Jordan Neuringer, and carried by those in attendance the minutes were accepted as submitted.

Division Secretary Linda took a roll call of the clubs: Brighton 4, Canandaigua 2, Farmington-Victor 5, Geneva 3, Lakeshore-Rochester 3, Newark 2, Palmyra-Macedon 1, Penfield-Perinton 5, Penn Yan 2, Seneca Falls-Waterloo 0, Webster 3.

Lt. Gov. Dave next introduced the Key Club DPLG Josh Hill and PLG Rylan Blowers; they introduced the new Key Club Lt. Gov. Tommy Lyons. Josh explained that this year's Key Club Convention will be held in Anaheim, CA and he would like to attend. Josh will be sending his request for financial support to attend the conference to each club. Josh told the group he is a graduating senior this year and will be attending the University of Rochester in the fall and plans to join either the Webster Kiwanis Club or the Circle K at the U of R. Rylan is also a graduating senior this year and has received a full scholarship to attend the University of Rochester.

Lt. Gov. Dave next explained to the group that he was passing around four cards to be signed by the members: a card for Trish Hook who had recent surgery, for Betsy Finley for her mother who passed, for Erick Paul for his father who passed, and for Gov. Joe who is having surgery.

Lt. Gov. Dave next introduced Rev. Colin Pritchard of the First Presbyterian Church in Victor and Dawn Rockefeller. They explained their Books & Blankets Program at the Charter School in Rochester. Rev. Pritchard explained this program provides a book and a blanket to impoverished children for Christmas, many times this is the only present a child receives because of a family's financial hardship situation. Lt. Gov. Dave said the Victor Kiwanis Club purchased 50 books and donated them to the program.

DPLG Bill Pringle addressed the group for the election of the 2014 - 2015 Lt. Gov. Designate. Celeste Foster, President of the Canandaigua Club nominated Philip Alamond, the nomination was seconded by Barbara Shore. DPLG Bill asked if there were any other nominations; there being none DPG Doreen Pellittieri made a motion for the nominations to be closed, seconded by DPLG Peg Bobzin. Division Secretary Linda cast one vote for the acceptance of the election of Philip Alamond as the 2014 - 2015 Lt. Gov. Designate. DPLG Bill asked if there were any nominations for 2015 - 2016 Lt. Gov. Elect from the floor. Philip Alamond nominated Jordan Neuringer. DPLG Bill asked Jordan if he would accept the nomination and Jordan said, "Sure". Barbara Shore seconded the nomination. Peg Bobzin made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by SDPLG Peter Pellittieri. Division Secretary Linda cast one vote for the acceptance of the nomination of Jordan Neuringer as the 2015 - 2016 Lt. Gov. Elect. DPLG Bill asked for a motion to close the election. On a motion from SDPLG Peter Pellittieri, seconded by Jim Paduchowski and carried the election was closed.

PG Bob Calabrese addressed the group regarding Kiwanis Education and Protocol. PG Bob read some of the highlights from an informational packet he will send out to each club.

There was a 10 minute break taken for refreshments and the purchase of raffle tickets and Lt. Gov. Dave reconvened the meeting at 7:50PM.

The newest member of the Farmington-Victor Club, Jeff Antinio, Manager of Marketing for Isaac Heating discussed press releases with the group.

DPLG Bill Pringle asked if any member had pull tabs for him and advised the group that to date he has delivered 400 pounds of pull tabs to Ronald McDonald House.

Lt. Gov. Dave advised the group that Saturday, May 3rd is the date for clean up at Kamp Kiwanis. Transportation will be provided by Victor school bus leaving at 7AM and returning at 4PM. Wear old clothes, you will get dirty! Dick and Diane McDermott have made three trips to Kamp Kiwanis to organize this event.

Lt. Gov. Dave also asked the clubs to look at their budgets and if possible make a donation to sponsor a Kamper from the new Geneva Club. Reservations must be submitted by the first week of May.

PLG Peter J. Pellittieri addressed the group about a special grant program to purchase 50 Zeller Awards. The grant would pay \$625 and a club would pay \$625 for the Zeller Award; all monies would go to the Eliminate Project and clubs would receive credit for the full amount of \$1250. These grants will go fast so put your application in ASAP, send your application to Kiwanis International Foundation.

Lt. Gov. Dave gave each club in attendance their "One Minute Moment" to share upcoming events.

DPG Doreen Pellittieri addressed the group about Key Leader saying that 60 need to attend and only 15 have signed up so far. Key Leader Chairperson Steve Hurlburt has provided information to each club. Lt. Gov. Dave said he is also speaking with the Genesee Division to encourage them to send attendees to Key Leader.

SDPLG John Hanratty spoke to the group about the Golisano Children's Hospital project. John advised Friday, May 16th is the Miracle Luncheon which honors the children who have been patients at the hospital and volunteers. Please contact John by May 12th if you want to attend this luncheon, he has 20 seats reserved for this event. Saturday, May 17th is the Miracle Mile of Donations and Sunday, June 1st is the Telethon. Remember...if you call in a pledge during the telethon say your pledge is from the Finger Lakes Kiwanis Division so we get credit towards our \$75,000 pledge.

DPLG Peg Bobzin discussed the monthly reports and how important it is to be detailed, creative, and very descriptive about the project your club is doing when submitting monthly reports. This seems to be necessary to receive recognition and awards.

PLG Jim Paduchowski gave a report on the Monte Carlo Night fundraiser held last Saturday, April 5th. This event was supported by all clubs with 129 people attending. The event generated \$9,762, expenses were \$4,099.08 for a net gain of \$5,662.92 and there is another check in the amount of \$250 expected to still be received. Half the profit will be donated to Kamp Kiwanis and half will be donated to Golisano Children's Hospital.

Webmaster Jordan Neuringer asked all clubs to please send pictures from their events to update the website.

The raffle drawing was won by Jaimie Neuringer.

Lt. Gov. Dave announced the next division meeting would be June 9th, the SECOND Monday. At that meeting the Governor Elect candidates will be in attendance.

Lt. Gov. Dave advised the group that on Friday, September 19 a dinner will be held at Ravenwood Country Club in Victor for the "changing of the banner" passing it from the Farmington-Victor Club to the Canandaigua Club. At that time, DPLG Bill Pringle will also be recognized for his year. Lt. Gov. Dave reminded all clubs to complete and submit the form to be recognized as a Distinguished Club. He also asked clubs to review the memo received from the membership Growth Chairperson, Gov. Joe's objective is to add 1,000 new members in this Kiwanis year.

Jim Exton gave the closing prayers.

Lt. Gov. Dave adjourned the meeting at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Roby

**Division Secretary** 

Monday, April 7, 2014