

FINGER LAKES DIVISION

Minutes for meeting December 09, 2019 at the Log Cabin, Macedon

Lt. Governor John opened the meeting at 7:04pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation. LG John asked if anyone knew Eddie Fisher's last top ten hit as his trivia question. The gift card from Dunkin Donuts went unclaimed as no one came up with the correct answer to his trivia question.

LG John introduced the NYD Governor Joe and First Lady Deb, PLG Ron Parent as the Eliminate representative and Past Lt. Governors from the FL Division in attendance.

ROLL CALL OF CLUBS:

Brighton	2
Canandaigua	6
Farmington-Victor	1
Geneva	2
Lakeshore Rochester	2
Newark	0
Palmyra Macedon	2
Penfield Perinton	4
Seneca Falls Waterloo	3
Webster	3

Secretary Report:

The minutes from the October 14, 2019 meeting were approved.

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Joyce presented a report on the Division income and expenses through November 30, 2019. There is a surplus to date. Some members raised the question of the increased surplus and how it may be used to strengthen our division.

Joyce also submitted a proposed budget for 2019-2020. Under expenses, there were two line items for division meeting expenses at \$200 and division meetings at \$350. It was suggested that these line items be combined into one. PLG Marty Toombs said there is no need for the line item of \$100 for division website and he suggested that this go under district convention as the LG has to supply lunch at the caucus.

There is no expense line item for the Governor's Visit. There has been decreased attendance in the past few years at this event and it was suggested that perhaps the costs have increased to make it difficult

for people to afford as this has been a breakeven event. It was also mentioned that there should be a line item to promote new membership drives.

LG John asked the members to send suggestions to him so that the budget can be modified and addressed at the February meeting. He will meet with Treasurer Joyce and PLG Marty to make recommendations.

Recognition of Club Members:

SDPLG John Hanratty acknowledged PG Robert Calabrese for the success of Penfield-Perinton club annual holiday party.

SDPLG Peter Pellittieri acknowledged PLG Roger Awe for being Santa at the Webster Kiwanis Annual Challenged Christmas Party yesterday.

PP Kat from the Canandaigua Club acknowledged FV President David Plante's wife, a Canandaigua Kiwanian, for her spectacular job at the SPOT

FV President David acknowledged PP Barb Years on being the recipient of the NYD Foundation Kaiser Award.

Program:

PLG Ron Parent gave a report on the status of the Eliminate Project and our partnership with UNICEF. This project has been in existence for nine years and is scheduled to conclude in December of 2020. He encouraged any club that has not fulfilled their pledge to do so and for clubs to consider raising additional funds for our District to meet its goal.

Governor Joe Ruggiero reported that our District has added 100 members so far this year. He is finding that his Governor's Project concerning mental health is touching many people. He is working with PLG Roger Awe to establish an emergency fund for transportation needs of our SLP members to attend conventions after they have raised their own funds. The Governor encouraged members to support and attend the Pediatric Lyme Disease Gala and the KPTC Black & White Ball.

One Minute Club Reports:

Brighton:

Twelve Thanksgiving Baskets were assembled and donated to the Brighton Food Cupboard. We adopted a family from the Willow Domestic Center. The mother and her four children received toys and clothing. Santa at your Service visited the Willow Domestic Violence Center, Hillside Children's Home and the Crestwood Children's Center and brought gifts for all.

Canandaigua:

We participated in two Halloween Trick or Treat events in downtown Canandaigua and Onanda Park providing treats for the children. We had over 70 volunteers at our 52nd Annual Election Day Spaghetti Dinner and raised approximately \$5,000. We held our annual Salvation Army Christmas Party providing 110 children with music, snacks and crafts along with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Farmington-Victor:

We participated in Victor and Farmington Trunk or Treat events where we handed out candy and treats to the children offering a safe alternative to trick or treating by holding the event at a public park. We held our 14th Annual Spirit of Giving Dinner where we acknowledge a citizen of the year from each town and distribute helping hand awards. Several members volunteered with the Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard to cook and serve a community meal for nearly 300 people. We plan to partner with the Canandaigua Kiwanis Club to pack meals at the Spot for needy children in January. We are holding our annual children's Christmas party on December 15th. We will provide breakfast, a wrapped gift and a stuffed animal to 54 needy children and they meet with Santa as well. Our 9th Annual Evening of Great Tastes is scheduled on Saturday February 1st at Ravenwood Golf Club.

Geneva:

We participated in the Festival of Nations held at the North Street School sponsored by the Geneva School District. We had the opportunity to network with students, parents and local leaders and gained one prospective new member. We will have a Christmas Gathering on January 29th for members and spouses at the home of Mary Ann Gallagher. We will attend a Drug Education/Prevention Program with Narcan training on February 5th with the Director of the Ontario County Substance Abuse leading the program and panel discussion with local leaders and law enforcement.

Lakeshore Rochester:

We filled shoe boxes with toiletries, socks, hats and gloves for the homeless and delivered 30 to a homeless shelter downtown. We will sell Super Bowl Squares as a fund raiser with 60% for the payout and 40% for the Key Club. We will provide a pizza party and Santa at School 25 on December 17th. We will attend a meeting at the Ghandi Institute of nonviolence.

Newark: No report

Palmyra-Macedon:

We will be participating in the First Lady's Project in January. We distributed cards for Veterans Day to the Bickford Home, American Legion in Macedon and Post 494. We donated food to St. Patrick's Church in Macedon during November. We will be volunteering at the Log Cabin's Winter Festival of Lights in December and January.

Penfield-Perinton: No written report

Seneca Falls-Waterloo:

Kiwanians assisted by SMS Auxiliary ladies held an election dinner with raffles and auctions and raised \$1,500 and plan to have this again in November 2020. The Kiwanis-Rotary Joint Thanksgiving Luncheon was held and the money received from the raffle and auctions along with nonperishable food items were delivered to the Seneca County House of Concern. In December we will have our annual Christmas luncheon where the Mynderse Academy Chamber Singers will entertain the attendees with a Christmas program. President Adrienne will host a Christmas gathering for members at her home.

Webster:

We are chartering a second Aktion Club and 30 new members were inducted into the State Road K-Kids.

DIVISION CHAIR REPORTS:

LG John introduced division chairs and some gave a report;

Aktion Club:

Jaimie Neuringer announced The Rochester Area Aktion Club Conference was a success. She urged clubs to make sure their dues are paid to avoid suspension by February 1st. The Brighton Aktion Club received a first place award from Kiwanis International.

Conferences & Conventions:

First Lady Deb announced the Mid-Winter Conference is in Binghamton and registration will open in January.

Membership:

Trish announced the Division is up by 7 members at this time. The team is focusing on struggling clubs.

Golisano Childrens Hospital:

SDPLG John said the MM of Donations will be on March 28th at Eastview Mall. Please invite SLP groups to attend. John stressed the importance of club donations as well. He would like to present a check to the Pediatric Behavioral and Mental Health Project at Golisano at the Governor's Visit on April 5th in the name of the Governor's Project.

Pediatric Lyme Disease:

SDPLG Peter spoke about the Foundation and announced the Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation Gala on March 22, 2020 and provided flyers to attend and encouraged clubs to take a sponsorship ad and provided this information also.

SLP:

PP Kat Purbeck reported that the Canandaigua Builders Club wrapped gifts for Kiwanis Christmas Party at the Salvation Army, made stockings for all the doors at school and will make Christmas cards for the veterans at the VA Hospital. Key Club members and K Kids attended the Salvation Army Christmas Party.

The K Kids at the Childrens Place is up and running and their advisor was inducted as a Kiwanis member. There are 148 children in our service leadership programs.

Webster K Kids at State Road just inducted 30 new members and have 48 members which represents 10% of school students. Webster is opening a second Aktion Club.

Newark Aktion Club wrapped gifts for 50 children at ABC Daycare in Williamson. They are also planning Bingo and Christmas carols at the Newark manor Nursing Home.

CKI-there was a Halloween Division Meeting including RIT, Keuka, U of R and guests from UB. Their District Convention will be in March.

Webmaster:

PLG Marty asked clubs to notify him of club events so he can list on the website.

Governor's Visit:

LG John announced the date of April 5, 2020 to be held at Penfield Country Club.

LG COMMENTS:

John said the Tri-K was a great event and enjoyed meeting the young leaders that are coming up.

He thanked everyone for the gifts they brought this evening for Willow Domestic Violence Center and Safe Harbor.

Certificates of Election were presented to club presidents in attendance by John and he encouraged everyone to take the education literature that was provided.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm and the next meeting is February 10,2020 @ THE LOG CABIN.