

# Finger Lakes

## Division Meeting Minutes

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June 2014 Division Meeting

Location: Eddie O'Brien's Grille & Bar

Lt. Gov. Dave convened the meeting at 7PM. The host club was Farmington-Victor.

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

The President of the Farmington-Victor club, Barbara Years led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and song. The opening prayer was given by Jim Exton of the Farmington-Victor Club.

Lt. Gov. Dave asked for a motion to accept the secretary's minutes from the last division meeting. On a motion from John Schwenzer, seconded by Peg Bobzin and carried the minutes were accepted.

Division Secretary Linda then did a roll call of the clubs: Brighton 2, Canandaigua 7, Farmington-Victor 8, Geneva 2, Lakeshore-Rochester 4, Newark 2, Palmyra-Macedon 1, Penfield-Perinton 4 +1, Penn Yan 2, Seneca Falls-Waterloo 0, Webster 5.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed and reviewed by Dave Wolf. On a motion from Doreen Pellitteri, seconded by Bill Pringle and carried the treasurer's report was accepted.

Past Key Club Lt. Gov. Rylan Blowers gave a review of the Key Club year in the absence of current Key Club Lt. Gov. Tommy Lyons. Rylan reported that the clubs were winding down with the end of the current school year; clubs grew in membership, service hours, and the number attending the District Convention in Albany this year. Rylan said he will be attending the International Convention in Anaheim, CA. He will be attending the University of Rochester starting in the fall on a full tuition scholarship and he will be the Lt. Gov. for the Circle K at the U of R.

Chris Van Kirk, Secretary and Bob Krebs, Treasurer for the new Geneva Club presented the Electronics Recycling Division Fundraiser to be held in the fall. Collection day will be Saturday, September 27th. Anything with a plug but no freon will be accepted for recycling. Clubs should come to the August division meeting with their designated collection site location; some clubs will be consolidating at one collection site.

Lt. Gov. Dave then introduced Governor Elect Candidate Forbes Irving and his First Lady Helene Irving to the members. Forbes is from Staten Island and served as Lt. Governor the same year as Bill Pringle. Forbes explained to the group that his goal is to adapt to remove obstacles

to help children. He pledged to continue to support Kamp Kiwanis, the Eliminate Project, support Sponsored Youth Programs, and to help your clubs meet the needs of your communities.

An invitation was extended to Governor Elect Candidate Wayne Scheriff but he did not respond to numerous attempts from Lt. Gov. Dave and Division Secretary Linda to attend our Division Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned for a 10 minute break and reconvened at 7:50PM.

Lt. Gov. Dave introduced speaker Jack Gallagher who presented "I Bee-lieve" In a Positive Approach to Life" program. A handhout was distributed.

Lt. Gov. Dave then gave each club a One Minute Moment to share upcoming events.

Lt. Gov. Dave updated the members on the Penn Yan Relief Project. Check donations should be payable to the Penn Yan Relief Project; items such as linens, clothing, and toys should be delivered to Barb's store for distribution.

Doreen Pellittieri and Steve Hurlburt updated the members on the Key Leader program. The event did take place although outside activities were affected by the bad weather. Doreen asked clubs to continue to support this program and include it in your annual budget.

Bill Pringle gave a report on the Ronald McDonald House pull tab project. To date, 500 pounds has been collected by the Kiwanis members; it takes 1400 pull tabs to equal one pound. This is an on-going division project.

Peter Pellittieri addressed the members about the upcoming convention to be held on August 16th. Each club should try to send a voting representative. Peter also passed out information about Lyme Disease and said ticks which carry the disease are now in our area.

Dick McDermott reported on the trip to Kamp Kiwanis to do clean up. Dick said campers sent from the Finger Lakes Division will attend the third week of the season.

Lt. Gov. Dave passed out Attendance Certificates to those members who participated in the Youth Protection Workshop facilitated by the Bivonia Child Advocacy Trainer. Lt. Gov. Dave encouraged all members to be aware of the signs of abuse and respond accordingly to those situations.

Lt. Gov. Dave next reported that the division membership has increased by 20 new members this year and he has received a request from Gov. Joe to continue the effort to bring in more new members. More members gives us the ability to help more children. Lt. Gov. Dave encouraged clubs to hold "meet & greets" and pass out mission cards to recruit new members. Arrange to have an informational table at local events to pass out information and speak with people in your community. Don't lose contact with your current members, make personal contact with a visit or a phone call, email is too impersonal.

Lt. Gov. Dave has raffle tickets for sale. The tickets are \$100 each, the prize is a new car with the option of a cash buyout. The drawing will be done at the District Convention. Please contact Dave to buy a ticket. It costs money to run and maintain the district property.

Marianne Gallagher reminded members of the "Passing of the Banner" dinner to be held at Ravenwood Country Club on Friday, September 19th. Information was passed out to each club. This dinner will honor a successful year, it will be fun and Gov. Joe is planning to attend. Past Distinguished Lt. Gov. Bill Pringle will be honored for his year and Lt. Gov. Elect Phil Almond will be recognized.

Lt. Gov. Dave reminded the members Peter J. Pellitteri has tickets for the Finger Lakes Division Night at the Ballpark, the cost is \$19 per adult, \$9.50 for children 4 - 12. The ticket entitles each holder to a BBQ dinner and a seat in the 3rd base area for the game. An informational handout was distributed.

Lt. Gov. Dave informed the members that a check in the amount of \$20,800 was presented to the Golisano Children's Hospital at the Children's Miracle Network Telethon.

Lt. Gov. Dave advised the members that the Builders Club of Geneva, NY is chartered and has already been involved in several projects including the Miracle Mile of Donations at EastView Mall, they collected money in jars for Golisano and helped with the Penn Yan Relief Project. A Circle K is ready to start in September at Keuka College.

The closing prayer was given by Jim Exton.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Roby

Division Secretary

The following clubs submitted information for their One Minute Moment:

Brighton: Raised over \$4,000 at Al Lewis spaghetti dinner. Participated with the Aktion Club and Key Club at the Miracle Mile of Donations (the Aktion Club raised over \$200 which is a new club record). Awarded 7 scholarships totalling \$10,000 to graduating Brighton High School seniors. Held a Kiwanis Kids' Zone at the Brighton Bicentennial picnic chaired by secretary Jaimie Neuringer, this event included a petting zoo, bounce house, wood crafts, sand art, carnival games, kites, a balloon artist, a juggler, Sky Sands, and more; volunteers from both the Key Club and Aktion Club helped serving over 500 children. A thank you to the Pal-Mac Kiwanians for volunteering to help and to Farmington-Victor, Webster and Penfield-Perinton for attending. Will be presenting another scholarship check to an inner city student at the Black Scholars dinner at the Convention Center. We will be finishing up the month of giving with our annual Kids' Day Picnic for some of the agencies in the area.

Palmyra-Macedon: Held a successful Garage Sale/Flea Market at the American Legion. Began the Wednesday Car Show 50/50 raffles; clubs that would like to participate can sign up for dates at [www.palmackiwanis.org](http://www.palmackiwanis.org). On July 15th we will sponsor a morning rest area for the Erie Canal Bike Tour for the 7th year.

Seneca Fall-Waterloo: Continued to sponsor two Junior Kiwanians at luncheons. Sponsor Students of the Month at luncheons - Achieving is Believing Program. Sponsored two students to attend Boys State this summer. Held an Easter Egg Hunt for Pre-schoolers. Will be holding a fundraiser during Cycling the Erie on July 15th. Will be holding a fundraiser during the Car Show on July 27th. Sponsored a Kiwanis Award to a senior at Mynderse Academy and Waterloo Central School. Will be sponsoring a chicken BBQ on July 26th with the proceeds going to the Seneca Falls Backpack Program and Waterloo's Trevor's Gift. On June 19th will be inducting three new members into the club.

Monday, June 9, 2014