#### FINGER LAKES DIVISION

Minutes for meeting December 10, 2018 at Flaherty's Restaurant, Macedon

Lt. Governor Roger opened the meeting at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and SDPLG Dr. Peter Pellittieri gave the invocation.

PG Doreen Pellittieri introduced the VIPS present and guests including NYD Governor-Elect Joe Ruggiero, NYD Assistant Secretary Ann Sewert and DPLG Ron Parent.

### **ROLL CALL OF CLUBS:**

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

# Minutes of October Meeting:

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the October meeting with unanimous approval from members present.

# Treasurer Report:

The report from October through December 2018 was accepted as presented. The 2019 Budget for the FL Division was presented and accepted as well.

LG Roger suggested that Treasurer Joyce may want to email the reports to the Presidents and Secretaries in advance of each Division Meeting so they can review ahead of time.

LG Roger introduced Governor-Elect Joe Ruggiero who commented that he has had meaningful experiences as Governor-Elect. The Governor's Project to send military children to Kamp Kiwanis is being well received throughout the District. Two new clubs have been charted in Douglaston and New Hartford. GE Joe brought samples of the series of signs highlighting what Kiwanis means and will gladly send them to each Club for a modest fee of \$20.

#### LG Comments:

Roger explained that his job title has changed giving him a more flexible schedule to devote to his duties as LT. Governor. He also talked about the First Ladies Project – Krafts for Kamp – and requested that each club collect items and bring to the February Division meeting so he can take them to the Mid-Winter Conference as requested.

# Program:

LG Roger introduced DPLG Ron Parent from the Lewiston Club who is the NYD Chair for the Eliminate Project. Ron explained that there are outstanding club pledges which need to be completed by 2020. He suggested clubs might want to try new projects or a combined divisional project to raise these funds.

One Minute Club Reports:

# Brighton:

Prepared 11 Holiday Turkey Baskets for Spiritus Christi Church in Rochester

Adopted a Family for Christmas from Willow Domestic Violence Center and bought toys and clothes for this family with young children

Santa at Your Service and his elves provided gifts and entertainment at three different locations including a Breakfast with Santa.

# Canandaigua:

Held our 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Election Day Spaghetti Dinner with 48 Kiwanis volunteers, Key Club, Builders Club and Aktion Club members assisting to raise over &7,000 to support our service projects.

Rang the Bell for the Salvation Army.

Gave gifts to over 100 children at the Salvation Army Christmas Party. Key Club and Aktion Club members assisted with krafts and snacks and hat and gloves were given to each child.

#### Farmington-Victor:

Handed out candy and treats in both communities at the trunk and treats events which are a safe alternative for trick or treating at our public parks

Held our Annual Spirit of Giving Dinner where we present awards and grants to our community leaders and organizations.

We held our Annual Coloring Book Sale Fundraiser in November and December to raise awareness for Kiwanis and raise funds for our charitable projects.

Had our Annual Children's Christmas Party providing breakfast for 54 children and giving each a wrapped gift and a stuffed animal.

Packed 400 meals to be distributed to children so they have food during the holiday break from school.

Our Annual Evening of Great Tastes is schedule for February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Geneva:

Lakeshore Rochester:

Newark:

Held our Annual Holiday Auction and Dinner which was more successful this year. We thank our fellow Kiwanians for attending.

With our Aktion Club members we wrapped and delivered gifts, hats and mittens to the migrant farmworker daycare.

Bingo will be held at a local nursing home with the Aktion Club.

The Aktion Club sponsored a family for Christmas and we shop, wrap and deliver with them.

Palmyra-Macedon:

Sponsored a family for Christmas and provided a food basket as well

We continue to read with children at two libraries and a daycare center.

We have planned a January meeting with a risk management class and a membership drive in February combined with Valentine Cards for Vets.

Penfield-Perinton:

Our Fund raiser at the Beer Hall enabled us to give a donation of \$1,000 each to Mary Cariola Center and Villa of Hope.

Our Annual December Raffle brought over \$5,000 for our charities.

We have scheduled a combined meeting with the Penfield Rotary in January.

Seneca Falls-Waterloo:

We worked with Lake to Lake Women chapter of NYS Women to raise money for female vets.

We are working with the Women's March Committee in Seneca Falls to prepare for January March.

Worked with Seneca Falls Italian Club Auxiliary to raise funds for local House of Concern.

Represented Kiwanis at a blood drive in November.

Ran a raffle at It's A Wonderful Life Festival to continue raising funds for pediatric care kits.

Participated in a Thanksgiving Celebration with the Seneca Falls Rotary to supply goods for the House of Concern.

Had a guest speaker Joseph Siccardi who talked about his new book "Heaven Shining Through".

#### Webster:

Changed our Club meeting location to the Beer Hall Grill and Taps on Empire Blvd. at 7pm on the first, second and third Tuesday of each month.

Held our Annual Scout Recognition Night in November.

Hosted our Annual Challenged Children's Christmas Party for over 80 guests.

We will have a Christmas Party at School 7 next week.

Scheduled our Annual Pizza Throwdown for January 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **DIVISION CHAIR REPORTS:**

LG Roger introduced division chairs and some gave a report;

Membership-Trish Hook spoke about the FL Division membership acknowledging that Penn Yan and Honeoye Falls-Mendon are not currently active and other clubs are declining in membership. She and the Club Counselors are available to assist each club with membership and there are tools available on the KI website.

Child Protection-Christine Mitchell announced that a meeting is being planned at a central location for all clubs to attend and meet the criteria for Child Protection certification. TBA

Conferences and Conventions-PP Deb Rought announced the mid winter conference is scheduled February  $14 - 17^{th}$  at the Desmond Hotel in Albany. The KI Convention is June  $27 - 30^{th}$  in Orlando. She encouraged club attendance at both of these events.

Kamp Kiwanis-DPLG Jordan Neuringer explained that the Governor's Project for military campers to Kamp Kiwanis is in addition to any other campers that your club normally sponsors. There is a night at the Rochester Red Wings on July 28<sup>th</sup> that is a fundraiser for Kamp Kiwanis.

Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation – Peter Pellittieri mentioned that the Genesee Division is presenting 10 Brittany Awards and reminded the attendees that this disease is prevalent in our area. Funds are

raised to help children with this chronic disease by purchasing the Brittany and Emerald Brittany awards. He would like to see more participation from clubs in our division.

Pull Tabs-Leo Fisher just took 32 pounds of tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House and encouraged members to continue to collect these tabs.

Service Leadership-President Kat Purbeck announced that the Canandaigua Club has accepted sponsorship of Keuka College Circle K. She has also reached out to the Lt. Governors of Key Club and Circle K.

Webmaster – PLG Marty Toombs reported that clubs can submit service projects completed in 2017-2018 for consideration for achievement awards from the NYD on the website until January 20, 2019.

LG Roger gave all attendees a raffle ticket and closed the meeting at 8:20pm by presenting the winners with a free lottery ticket.

**Next Division Meeting** 

is February 11, 2019 at Flaherty's Restaurant-Macedon at 7pm