

KIWANIS FINGER LAKES DIVISION

October 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by LG Pam Metting. SDPLG Trish Hook led the pledge and Canandaigua Past President Dave Metting provided an invocation. Division VIP members and guests were recognized by LG Pam.

ROLL CALL & CLUB SHARING: Present were 26 members from 8 out of 12 Clubs as indicated below. For details and links to other upcoming Club events go to <https://www.fldivisionkiwanis.org/events.htm>

Brighton- 0

Bushnell's Basin-Pittsford- 2

Selling raffle tickets to November 3rd Bills game with Miami. Completed Round Robin for 23-24 and raised over \$12,000 on Garden Tour with 300+ attending. Goals for 24-25 include increasing membership, and reducing speakers at meetings to one per month. Also plan to poll and brainstorm with members on format of meetings and potential activities and projects.

Canandaigua- 9

Goal is to increase membership and place more focus on retention. Completed Round Robin and Projects have included Open House at High School and Discover Canandaigua partnership event. Upcoming will include Halloween trick or treating Downtown Canandaigua and Onanda Park and VA Veteran escorting. Annual Election Day Spaghetti dinner will be November 5, and our Pie and Baked Good sale is in progress until October 22.

Eastern Wayne- 3

Club will be raffling 2 Adirondack chairs and fire pit as a fundraiser. Club will also be conducting a Santa's Sleigh program in the fall to collect gifts for kids in need in Lyons Schools.

Farmington Victor- 2

24-25 goal is to increase membership and complete interclubs. Climb Aboard event was well attended, and One Square Mile of Hope event was record breaking.

Geneva- 3

Golf outing in June had 104 golfers and raised an additional \$800 to send Kampers. Holiday Raffle will be November 14 in Geneva. A Meet & Greet will be held on December 10 at the Lakeshore Hotel, all welcome. Goal is to get better attendance at meetings and increase number of Kampers.

Honeoye Falls-Lima-Mendon- 0

Lakeshore Rochester- 0

Newark- 1

Connected with ABC Daycare to do Aktion Club Gift Wrapping, also raised funds through sale of sports memorabilia to secure school supplies for needy kids. Club is still being deluged with sneakers from the past collection program, so continuing to process them.

Penfield-Perinton- 4

24-25 goal is to increase membership. Partnered with Penfield Recreation to secure supplies for a school giveaway, and to fill the school supply closet. Started planning for the annual Christmas event.

Seneca Falls-Waterloo- 2

Completed their Round Robin for Interclubs. Also hoping to get more members for their Golf Ball Drop program.

Webster- 0

SECRETARY REPORT

New Division Secretary Gabe Cinquegrana from Canandaigua was introduced. The Secretary indicated there were no minutes from the August Passing of the Banner Meeting. Marianne G. made a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting. Marty T. seconded. Motion was carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer Marty Toombs presented the Treasurer's report and Budget. The Budget is inclusive of dues at \$10, which is a reduction from last year. Deb B. made a motion to approve the Budget and Treasurer Report. Roberta C. seconded. Motion carried.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR COMMENTS:

Very pleased with Club/member turnout for first meeting of the year. October 10th is the final date for dropping inactive members. After that, dues will be charged by K.I for each member on record.

Division goals include seeing all Clubs reach charter strength, increase membership, and send 50 campers to Camp Kiwanis this year.

Please use Websites and Social Media to promote Kiwanis and what we do. Also use Division, District, and International websites to keep pace with information and training opportunities. Division Officers and Chairs are always available when assistance is needed. 2024-25 Distinguished Club and Member criteria are also posted on the website for your access.

The August 4th 2025 meeting will be the passing of the Banner.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Keith McGriff, CEO of Glove House was our guest Speaker. Keith thanked the Division for the sending 28 campers to Camp Kiwanis this past year, and they were happy to assist with transportation and staff. Most important thing to know is that Glove House operates a variety of programs, and are not solely focused on Foster Care. He is looking forward to continuing to work with Kiwanis, and is always looking for people to serve on their Board.

DIVISION CHAIR REPORTS:

LG Pam spoke briefly about DEI, and provided with a reminder of its importance to all Clubs. Polly C. made a motion to approve, Roberta C. seconded. Motion carried.

SDPLG Trish Hook gave a report outlining her plan to review and discuss membership status and goals with all clubs in the near future, and will make appointments to do so.

Gabe Cinquegrana mentioned that the International Convention in 2025 will be in Pittsburgh June 25-28th. The hotel for NY District will be the Omni William Penn Hotel, which is a 15 minute walk from the Convention Center.

Miracle Mile of Donations is tentatively scheduled for March 22nd, our goal will be \$2,500. A check was recently presented from the event proceeds last year.

All Clubs are required to review the Youth Protection Guidelines. Reach out to SDPLG John Treahy to schedule his presentation, which lasts about 45 minutes.

It was mentioned that 30 pounds of pull tabs were processed in September on behalf of the Division. A question arose as to the acceptability of bottle caps as well.

The draft of the Division Policies and Procedures was reviewed by those present. Roberta C. made a motion to approve the Policies and Procedures. Deb B. seconded. Motion carried.

All minutes, the Budget, Policy and Procedures, and DEI policy will be posted on the Division website.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm with no further business.

NEXT DIVISION MEETING: Flaherty's in Macedon on Monday December 2nd at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted
Gabe Cinquegrana
Division Secretary