

WESTCHESTER RECREATION AND PARK SOCIETY, INC.

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President's Message By: Kevin Cook

Dear WRAPS Members,

It has been my privilege and honor to have served you as Treasurer, Vice President and President. While I am most pleased about the accomplishments that have occurred over the past twelve years, I certainly cannot take credit for them. That belongs to the many hard-working, talented and dedicated members -past and present - that have served right beside me during those years.

The future of our society rests on the increased participation of our member - sign up for the luncheons, attend a fundraising event, mentor a young professional or join a committee - with your continued support, WRAPS will continue to grow stronger and be the recreation organization that others want to resemble.

As I move from the position of President to Past President, I am glad this is not farewell, but just a change of roles. It is such a pleasure to work in Westchester County where recreation professionals care so deeply about our profession and our society. As I close the door on my Presidency I leave you with this quote:

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

Bowling is Back!

WRAPS decided to dust off the old bowling shoes and bring back Bowling, Buddies and Beverages. As you can see from the pictures below, I think there were more beverages that were knocked down than pins that night.





WRAPS 57th ANNUAL AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

AWARDS:

<u>Public Service Award ~ Organization</u> Irvington Community Advisory Board

<u>Public Service Award - Individual</u> Tom Roach, White Plains Mayor

<u>Voluntary Service Award ~ Organization</u> Chappaqua Garden Club

E. Mario Cribari Voluntary Service Award
Elizabeth Bracken Thompson, Friends of
Westchester County Parks

<u>Staff Associate Award</u> Robert Segnit, Cortlandt Recreation

<u>Youth Sports Coaches Award</u> Kristy Schmitt, Irvington Recreation

<u>Peter J. Mayers Award for Merit</u> Peggy Payne, Peggy Payne Associates

Joe Curtis Award

Matt Arone, Village of Dobbs Ferry

<u>Matt Dolan Innovative Program & Award Grant</u> Westchester Circus Arts-Teen Company

> <u>Austin Welch PIERRE Award</u> Teatown Lake Reservation

<u>Irwin "Red" Klein Commercial Recreation Award</u>
Entergy Corporation

FELLOWSHIPS:

<u>Dr. Sal J. Prezioso Professional Fellowship</u> Kellie Rizzi, Town of Mt. Pleasant

William & Ruth M. Lederer Fellowship & Grant
The White Plains Recreation and Parks Forever
Young Singers

SCHOLARSHIPS:

E. Mario Cribari Scholarship

Daniel Spector, Yonkers/SUNY Cortland
Terrell Carr, Peekskill/CUNY Lehman

As of press time, the following individuals are also being recognized with Professional Service Citations:

50 Years Peggy Payne

35 Years Jeff Main

Jerry Peters

30 Years Joe Archino

Kim Sinistore Rosanne Saracino

25 Years Jill Fisher

20 Years Matt Arone

Brian Gray Kellie Rizzi

15 Years Scott Naylor

Lifetime Awards:

Joanne Marchesani Art Neff

Charlie Pieragostini Rosanne Saracino

WRAPS wishes to thank the following members for their service on the Awards and Scholarship Committee:

Matt Arone Brian Gray
Kevin Cook Keith Wright
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Crack Sealing

Rosanne's Retirement



Pictured Above: Four decades of professional service with Peggy Payne, Jack Petterson, Bill Zimmermann, Rosanne Saracino and Susan Snyder All employed by the Oceanside District Community Recreation Department in the south shore of Long Island, a School District/Community agency designed by the late Joe Curtis in 1954.

TO REACH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Vendors Luncheon

Here are a couple of snap shots from the WRAPS Vendor Luncheon held at the Westchester County Center. See more pictures of this and other WRAPS events at www.wrapsny.com or the WRAPS Facebook page.





