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## VARIETY CLUB TELETHON 2005 LOOK THROUGH OUR EYES!

Buffalo, New York: **BILL RANSOM**, President and General Manager of WKBW-TV, Channel 7 joined Variety Club Telethon 2005 General Chairman **KATHY R. KAMINSKI** in announcing details for "The Variety Club Telethon 2005" on WKBW-TV, Channel 7. The 21 hour telethon will originate LIVE from the Courtyards of the Four Points By Sheraton Hotel in Cheektowaga, March 12th & 13th from 10:00pm Saturday through 7:00pm Sunday. This is the 43rd annual Telethon for Variety Club Tent #7 which is the longest locally produced Telethon in the world and the 42nd for Channel 7.

All monies raised by the Variety Club of Buffalo benefit The Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo, the Dr. Robert Warner Rehabilitation Center and many other local charities benefiting children that Variety serves.

**LOOK THROUGH MY EYES**...the hit song from the Disney movie "Brother Bear" will serve as the Telethon's first musical Number. The entire Western New York community will be invited to look through the eyes of a child and help them today, tomorrow and forever.

**KATHY R. KAMINSKI** is the General Chairperson of Variety Club Telethon 2005. Kathy and has been involved in many capacities with the Telethon for the past 14 years, getting her start by organizing the very popular Dance Back In Time. Kathy is very close to her nephew Joey who was born developmentally delayed. It is because of Kathy's love for Joey, that the special children of Variety will benefit through her hard work. Kathy, who works for the Town of Amherst Highway Department and is the first female crew chief, resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

Kathy is joined by co-chairpersons **ROBERT KLEIN**, Vice-President of Delta Sonic Car Wash Systems and local businessman **ED SMITH**.

The 2005 Variety Club Telethon stars include some of the best in the business! The brightest star is the 2005 "Celebrity Child", **BRIANNA WIK** of Grand Island, New York. The journey of the 43rd annual Variety Club Telethon Celebrity Child, Brianna Wik, started much earlier than anybody would have liked. Brianna's mother, Deanna had gone for a routine pre-natal checkup and was told that the doctor found protein in her urine and her blood pressure was elevated. Her doctor could no longer give her the specialized care that would be needed and informed her that she was considered "high risk". The doctor sent her directly to Women & Children's Hospital. After further testing, Deanna was admitted into

the hospital and put on total bed rest. Being only 20 weeks pregnant, Deanna was diagnosed with preeclampsia. At this point, the Hospital started preparing the parents for an early delivery. Deanna and her husband Ron, were very scared because Brianna's chance of survival was at risk. A few weeks went by and Deanna's condition worsened. She developed toxemia and her kidneys and liver were shutting down. Doctors told them the only way to stop this was by doing an emergency c-section.

Brianna Wik, was born on February 23, 1998 at 24 weeks gestation by emergency c-section. She weighed only 1 lb. 5 oz. and was 12" long. She was born with a breathing difficulty better known as Respiratory Distress Syndrome. Every day in the hospital was touch and go. Brianna's parents were told not to look towards the future but to take one day at a time. So that is what they did. It was very hard to see such a small child lay helplessly with tubes and needles covering most of her frail body. It was even harder not being able to hold her, as a new mother normally would.

Then the Wik's received some devastating news. After a routine eye exam by Dr. Steven Awner, Ron and Deanna were told to be in the next day because Brianna needed surgery for potential blindness. Many questions then came up. Where will Brianna go to school? Will Brianna be able to lead a normal life? After crying and worrying that night, another visit was made to Women & Children's Hospital the next morning. Dr. Awner explained that Brianna developed something called Retinopathy which is very common with premature babies. The disease causes the retina to detach from the eye, which can cause blindness. The surgery that the doctor performed, helped stop this detachment. Brianna needed a second surgery for this as well, while still only a few months old.

Brianna has turned out so well. Being aware of the complications and potential devastating outcomes, Ron and Deanna are blessed that the staff at Women & Children's Hospital saved their daughters life, as well as Deanna's. Before Brianna was released from the Hospital, she did require one additional surgery for a hernia. Brianna came home almost 4 months later, on June 12th. She was put on a monitor for sleep apnea and bradycardia. They were never so scared. During her first year, at home, Brianna also had colic and reflux which is caused by an immature nervous system.

Brianna is now 7 years old enjoying kindergarten at Charlotte Sidway School in Grand Island. She is a very bright and intelligent student, who loves school. She does wear glasses and needs to wear a patch over her eye daily. Brianna also takes tap and ballet lessons, and performs in the yearly recital.

The family is still closely related to the hospital by keeping in contact with her primary nurse, doctors and staff.

At the time Brianna was born, because she was so premature, her lungs were not developed. Surfactant had to be administered into her lungs and doctors used Brianna in a training video to show doctors across the country how to administer this lubricant for premie lungs, developed here in Buffalo.

Christmas time is special for Brianna and her family as they take gifts to families and staff in the Intensive care Nursery. Knowing how great the needs are for the

Variety Club Telethon, they assist with fundraising throughout the year.

Brianna does not require any ongoing care, except for her routine eye exams. Her vision is a reflection of the miraculous wonders Women & Children's Hospital can provide. It is truly a miracle that she does not have any physical or mental disabilities, and is a true inspiration to others. The Wik's know that if it was not for Women & Children's Hospital, they would not be "Looking Through Our Daughter's Eyes!" Look for **BRIANNA**, and her parents **RON AND DEANNA** to share their story with viewers.

From Wisteria Lane to Cheektowaga's Walden Avenue, the dearly departed "Mrs. Huber" comes back to life to come home for the 43rd annual Telethon.

**CHRISTINE ESTABROOK**, a native of East Aurora, joins the national cast for Telethon 2005. From her first job as a toy maker in the Fisher Price Toy Factory to "Spiderman 2", to playing the evil and nosy neighbor, Mrs. Martha Huber, on America's most popular show, "DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES" on Channel 7 Sunday Nights at 9pm, Christine will be ready to tell those "secrets of Wisteria Lane" in exchange for pledges.

Mary Christine Estabrook has starred in hit Broadway shows, won accolades and acting awards for off-Broadway performances, earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from Yale Drama School, taught acting at the University of California, had memorable roles in film and television, but nothing prepared her for the instant recognition and reactions from portraying Mrs. Huber on ABC's mega-hit, "Desperate Housewives." Now Christine is bombarded by fans asking for fashion advice (her character wore curlers outside!)! "I know this woman, she tickles me and is my comedic soulmate," says Christine. While she loved the pilot script, she didn't know the whole country would embrace the show as a favorite guilty pleasure. Her character has already blackmailed one housewife, took in another one while completely disapproving of her and is generally smug, self-righteous and feels she's the arbiter of good behavior. And then her character was killed with a blender (while the actress is still taping episodes) for blackmailing another character.

Christine, on the other hand, is warm and very un-"Desperate Housewife!" She's starred in numerous previous series, playing Nikki Cox's mother-in-law in "Nikki," Mary Todd Lincoln in "The Secret Diary of Desmond Pfeiffer" and "The Crew," which was produced by "Desperate Housewives" creator Marc Cherry. Christine also starred in many Broadway shows including "The Sisters Rosensweig," "The Heidi Chronicles," "I'm Not Rappaport" and "The Cherry Orchard." Off-Broadway she won an OBIE for "Pastorale," the Drama Desk and Actors' Equity Clarence Derwent Awards for "The Boys Next Door" and the Charlotte Cushman Award as a member of the American Repertory Theater.

Christine was born in Erie, Pennsylvania and raised in East Aurora, a suburb of Buffalo, New York. She's married and having the time of her life playing Mrs. Huber, a malevolent, not-so-modern-day-Mrs. Gladys Kravitz. Fans are stopping her everywhere and some even like her character's wardrobe. Who knew that curlers and a housecoat could be a fashion statement?

Returning to the Variety Club Telethon, is **ILENE GRAFF**. Irene has been a

favorite of Variety Club and viewers alike when she embraced and became "Varietized" in the late 80's and early 90's. Although Ilene Graff is best known to audiences as Marsha Owens, the mom on the long running ABC comedy "Mr. Belvedere," she made her professional Broadway debut years earlier on the musical stage. That show was "Promises Promises," the Neil Simon, Bacharach/David hit, where she understudied the leading lady and sang backups from the orchestra pit. She performed the role of Fran Kubelik in New York a dozen times before starring in the National Tour.

Ilene went on to play Sandy for two years in the Broadway production of Grease, but her biggest Broadway triumph was creating the role of Cleo in the Cy Coleman, Michael Stewart musical comedy hit "I Love My Wife," directed by Tony Award winner Gene Saks. She can be heard on the show's Original Cast Album. Other theatre credits include: "Charley's Aunt" with Charles Grodin, "Cabaret" as Sally Bowles, "Annie Get Your Gun" as Annie Oakley, and "Over Here" directed by Mr. Belvedere himself, Christopher Hewett. Ilene was proud to create the role of Donna in the world premiere of composer/arranger/producer husband Ben Lanzarone's musical, "You and Me," with book and lyrics by Lloyd J. Schwartz. She won the Artistic Directors' Award of the Valley Theatre League for her performance. She had the thrill of performing the role of Mama Rose in a Los Angeles revival of "Gypsy" as well as entertaining Jerry Herman himself at a performance of "Jerry's Girls." L.A. theatregoers also enjoyed Ilene in "I

Ought To Be In Pictures" with Richard Kline, "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten" and "Definitely Doris" at Garry Marshall's new Falcon Theatre.

Before landing the role of Bob Uecker's wife on Mr. Belvedere, Ilene starred in two other series, several pilots, and guest starred on many episodic TV shows, and mini-series. She is very proud to have co-starred in the ABC/Disney Movie-of-the-Week, "South Pacific" working with Academy Award nominee and Tony Award winner Glenn Close and Grammy Award winner Harry Connick, Jr. Her CD, "Baby's Broadway Lullabies" was nominated for a 2004 GRAMMY Award. It is a collection of beautiful theatre songs arranged especially for sleepytime. Her newest recording project is "Unusual Way."

In addition to her series work, Ilene has been a frequent guest on game and talk shows including \$100,000 Pyramid, Hollywood Squares, Live with Regis and Kathie Lee, and The Home Show. She sings on several telethons and is a regular co-host of Variety Club Children's Charities Telethons in Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Iowa and Buffalo. She has a complete singing club act and has been proud to perform at fund raising events for many worthwhile causes including The Michael Landon Tucson Tennis Classic, AMC Cancer Research Center and The South Coast Repertory Theatre. Ilene has also had the thrill of singing The National Anthem at several major league baseball games. She has also performed her act throughout south Florida and on the Royal Caribbean Cruise Line. Ilene also produces special events, including annual all-star benefits for the Musical Theatre program at the Hamilton High School Academy of Music in LA, and The Actors' Fund.

Ilene is a native New Yorker who graduated from Ithaca College with a degree in Drama. She and husband Ben Lanzarone met while working in the Broadway

production of "Grease," where Ben was Musical Director. Ben serves as Ilene's Musical Director, Arranger, co-producer and accompanist. Their daughter Nikka is studying Musical Theatre at the Boston Conservatory.

Brand new to the cast for 2005 is Miss New York State, **CHRISTINE ELLINGTON**. Christina Yvette Ellington is known as a woman who owns the stage. She has been a trained performer in voice, dance, and acting for over 18 years. She has worked with professionals throughout the country while participating in pop, concert, classical, jazz, and gospel groups. She has won national, state, and local awards for her talents. She was the founder and director of her high school dance team in which she also founded a children's dance camp as a fund raiser for the team. She then went on to choreograph and direct dance teams all over the United States.

Christina has received numerous awards in Academic Excellence and Community Service work. She graduated her high school with a 4.6 GPA and the Top 2% of her class of 500. She was one of the speakers at her graduation. She has been recognized by several government and community leaders for her outstanding service in school and to her community. She has been honored in groups such as National Honors Society, Who's Who Among High School Students, and All-American Scholars.

She is a graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts with a B.F.A in Musical Theatre as a Tisch Scholar, and was accepted into the Masters program at New York University for Education. She is an June Goodman Arts Scholar, Hord Foundation Scholar, Two Time Hord Performing Arts Scholar, Connecticut Choral Society State Winner, Honors and Western All-State Choir Participant, and multi-talent winner. She played leading roles in many productions in New York City and other states including Maria in West Side Story and a one woman show about Ethel Waters.

She has directed several programs throughout the country that help fight issues with childhood cancer and childhood development projects. She founded and directed Mission PennyPiggy Bank, which was a national fundraiser for cancer.

She is also an award winning writer of poetry and plays, a web-designer, former lead trombonist, and artist. She is currently writing her own musical, The Glass Cage, which incorporates the issues of self-esteem. A selection from the musical was selected to be performed on a Broadway stage. Christina had the opportunity to perform this piece before a performance of her favorite musical, RENT. Christina has won numerous pageant titles including serving as the reigning Miss New York State and was Top 10 at the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City this past September.

Christina plans to be a professional actor and to "just perform good theatre." Eventually, she would like to follow her ultimate goal: to be an excellent teacher and continue to inspire children. Look for Christine to inspire and warm the hearts of viewers to go to their phones to help Variety's special children.

Making his first appearance on the Variety Club Telethon is American Idol's **JOHN STEVENS**. It was through Fox's Reality Competition Series, American Idol that a national television audience learned of seventeen-year-old, East Amherst

native, John Stevens' love of musical performance. Since the age of eight, John has been involved in his school chorus, and has been a yearly participant in Erie County Chorus and NYSMA. Upon joining WNY Children's Choir, John had the opportunity to travel to New Orleans for the Crescent City Choral Festival, sing with the BPO for the Holiday Pops, and travel to Hawaii for the Pacific Rim Children's Choral Festival. In the summer of 2003, John extended his travels when he joined American Music Abroad, which toured Germany, Australia, Italy, and Switzerland. That same year, John received the honor of being chosen to participate in NY All-State Chorus, and had the tremendous experience of singing with an adult choir as a member of the Buffalo Choral Arts Society. John has received private training in both voice and piano. This past summer, as part of the American Idol Concert tour, John appeared in a 49 shows in 46 cities across the nation. John is currently a senior at Williamsville East High School where he is an active member of their Chorale and Vocal Jazz Ensemble, and he appeared as Skye Masterson in their production of Guys and Dolls. He has signed a contract with Maverick records and has finished recording his debut CD, Red, which is set to be released on April 26, 2005. Viewers can hear some of the songs from his CD during the Telethon!

Variety's special kids will be 'idolized" as John sings his way into the hearts of Variety's special children and viewers!

Returning for his third Telethon, **ROSCOE ORMAN**, has played his best known character "Gordon Robinson" on the famed PSB show Sesame Street. However he's had a distinguished career acting with greats besides "Big Bird" and "Elmo". Orman, A New York City native, made his professional acting debut with the Next Stage Theatre in New Orleans. His film and TV credits include Sanford and Son, Kojak, Willie Dynamite, ABC's All My Children, "F/X", Striking Distance, Law & Order and Cosby. He has played Gabriel in the award winning Broadway production of "Fences" and has appeared in other New York Stage appearances which include, "The Sirens" and "The Talented Truth" among others. Look for Roscoe to sing his way into the hearts of Western New York.

**BOWZER (aka JON BAUMAN)** returns with "The Stingrays." Jon is best remembered as a part of the popular "Sha Na Na" group from the 70's, and in the movie "Grease." Bowser will have you "Hand Jivin" to the phones. Jon credits Buffalo as one of the most supportive cities during his musical career, and looks forward to his Telethon visits. In addition to his music, Jon has also hosted various television shows and currently is on tour with his own produced Bowzer's Original Doo-Wop Party.

**TERRY BUCHWALD** returns for his third year as a member of our national cast. Terry has performed locally on the Telethon in the past. Terry is Buffalo's best known Elvis Impersonator. Terry performs some 300 shows a year throughout the country and his fans seemingly can never get enough of Terry. Look for Terry to do some of his famous Elvis songs and also watch as he performs some pop and soft rock with a little bit of country thrown in. Terry has a heart of gold and will help take care of business for our kids.

**"AIRBORNE" EDDY DOBOSIEWICZ** makes people laugh all across the United States and Canada. A native of Buffalo, his special style comes from the heart. Based in Buffalo with his beloved wife Charlotte and two children Larissa and

Christian, Eddy feels more young people should make the Variety Club their cause. Ed can be seen every Saturday night at 12:35am on the nationally syndicated "Off Beat Cinema" as "Maxwell Truth" on WKBW-TV.

Former Buffalo Bills Superstar Special Teams Player **STEVE TASKER** joins the cast of celebrities to help the kids. Steve is the host of "Buffalo Bills All Access" every Saturday night at 7:30pm during the football season on WKBW-TV Channel 7, The Official station of the Buffalo Bills. Other players will join Steve in being a friend to children in need in Western New York.

Music will be provided by "The Variety Club Telethon Orchestra" under the direction of **JOHN HASSELBACK**. John and the band have performed at the show for many years.

Viewers will have a chance to participate in the Telethon from Buffalo's most happening street...**CHIPPEWA!** On Saturday night, (actually Sunday Morning) from Midnight – 2am...The Telethon will go Live to McMonkeez on Chippewa Street where Variety Club Volunteers and representatives of the Chippewa Street Bars will be going bar to bar asking for those all important donations. Join **AIRBORNE EDDY** and **JULIE FINE** as they report live.

Downtown Buffalo will be wearing a bit o green on Sunday March 13 for the annual **St. Patrick's Day Parade**. The Telethon office located at **195 Delaware Avenue**, right on the parade route (between W. Huron and Chippewa) will be open to accept donations...cash, check and Credit Card. Make your donation, using your MasterCard, Visa or American Express and you can pick up your fantastic premiums right on the spot! WKBW-TV Cameras will broadcast from the Telethon office with **MELANIE PRITCHARD**, WKBW-TV weekend anchor.

Another **LIVE REMOTE** will take place on Sunday March 13th from Noon to 3pm in the Galleria Mall on the Lower level in front of Kaufmann's Department Store. Stay tuned to the Telethon for details on who will be appearing so you can "Meet and Greet" the stars! on LIVE TV! The Variety Club will also be at the mall on Saturday March 12th with members of the national cast raising money for this important cause

**Channel 7** Personalities appearing will be news anchors **KEITH RADFORD**, **SUSAN BANKS**, **PETE KENWORTHY**, **JOANNA PASCERI** AND **KEN HOUSTON** with Accu-Weather Meteorologists **MIKE RANDALL**, **AARON MENTKOWSKI**, and **ADAM COLPACK**. Sports Director **JOHN MURPHY** will pitch viewers for their contributions along with **LINDA PELLEGRINO**, **JON SUMMERS** and **HELEN TEDEROUS** from "AM & PM/Buffalo."

Other Channel 7 personalities who will be on hand throughout the 21 hour event include **JOHN BORSA**, **MELANIE PRITCHARD**, **STEPHANIE HOEY**, **JULIE FINE**, "Business First" reporter **ELIZABETH CAREY**, **GINGER GEOFFREY**, **AARON BASKERVILLE**, **DERRICK WARD** plus **JEFF RUSSO** and **PAT TOMASULO** from "7 Sports."

The Executive Producer of "The Variety Club Telethon 2005" for the Variety Club

is **STEVE PODOSEK** . He is joined by **ED SMITH**. For WKBW-TV it's **JOHN DISCIULLO**, Program, Production, and Community Affairs Manager. He will be joined by "AM & PM/Buffalo Producer **LEA DICENSO**, Director/ Producer **LOU BUCHHEIT**, along with Programming Assistant **LANORA ZIOBROWSKI** . Other members at the station, **JOEL BARONE, RICH LEE, JIM EVANS** and **KEVIN MINDERLER** from Mobile Production produce the special video stories. Longtime veteran crew chief **CHARLIE SMITH** and Assistant Chief Engineer **KEVIN CHUDY** put the show together technically from the engineering and production side working with the NABET crew.

**CHARLIE MIKOLAJCZYK, SHAWN DAVENPORT**, and **CHARLES QUINNIEY** from the Graphics Department put the look together. The Promotion and Graphic Departments are under the supervision of Creative Services Manager **KHRIS KAHLE**. Every employee of WKBW-TV...including Station and General Sales Manager **MIKE NURSE**, Local Sales Manager **MARTY SHIMMEL**, and their teams, plus members of news, production, and administration play a role in supporting Variety Club.

**SPEIER DISPLAYS** under the direction of **CHARLIE AND CAREY SPEIER** return to put together the set that transforms the Courtyards of the Four Points By Sheraton into a television studio, along with **BOB LOVEJOY** and the crew from **UNISTAGE**.

The Variety Club Telethon will once again offer the opportunity for viewers to call in and make a donation with their **VISA, MASTERCARD**, or **AMERICAN EXPRESS** credit card. This guaranteed donation means you could receive premium items from **an autographed copy of COACH MARV LEVY'S hit book "WHERE WOULD YOU RATHER BE?"**, **an autographed copy of NBC's TIM RUSSERT'S book with his dad "BIG RUSS and ME"**, **DELTA SONIC, PIZZA HUT, DIPSON THEATRE TICKETS, MARTIN'S FANTASY ISLAND, PAUL REYNOLDS PHOTOGRAPHY, BUFFALO BISONS** and **much more** based on the amount of your donation. Credit card donations can also be made over the internet. See the entire list of premiums online by going to [www.variety.buffnet.net](http://www.variety.buffnet.net)

The Variety Club is also online through partnership with BUFFNET. Reach the Variety Club at <http://www.variety.buffnet.net> and click on the "Donate Online" Graphic.

Other fundraising events include the **DELTA SONIC PENNY-A-GALLON** campaign March 6 through March 13th, \$.01 cent for every gallon of gasoline sold at WNY Delta Sonic locations. You can also have a fresh smelling car when you purchase a car freshener from Delta Sonic. \$.50 from each sale goes to the kids!

The Variety Club is giving away a 2005 Pontiac Sunfire Coupe, thanks to the generous donation from **JIM MURPHY PONTIAC-GMC** on Walden Avenue in Depew. Tickets are available at the Walden Galleria Mall on the Lower Level in front of Kaufman's. Tickets will be available through 3pm on Sunday March 13. This fund raiser has 2 great prizes! The winner receives the car and the seller of the winning ticket receives \$5,000!

One of the most significant fund raisers is the BUFFALO NEWS KIDS DAY. This year marks the 22nd time that the Buffalo News has conducted this annual special fund raiser. Over 6,000 volunteers will take to the streets on Tuesday, March 8th, selling special \$1 dollar editions of the paper. Through the leadership of Publisher **STAN LIPSEY**, and editor **MARGARET SULLIVAN**, "Kids Day" comes under the direction of **MIKE SULLIVAN, LISA CISLO, TOM DISPENZA, DOTTIE GALLAGHER-COHEN**, and the member employees and unions at the paper, they expect another banner year for the kids! Over \$3 million dollars has been raised since this project began.

The sale of items at all area supermarkets including **TOPS, QUALITY, JUBILEE, WEGMANS, PARKVIEW SUPERMARKET AND MARKET PLACE FOOD SHOPS mean dollars!** The Food Brokers of WNY are participating once again with donations from various vendors. A full page ad showing their generosity appeared in the Buffalo News on Sunday February 27.

The Telethon is broadcast from the Four Points By Sheraton on Walden Ave. in Cheektowaga under the supervision of **General Manager SCOTT GRANT and his staff**. For information on hotel operations, call (716) 681-2400. This is the 3rd year the Telethon will be broadcast from the Courtyards.

The Women's and Children's Hospital of Buffalo is the primary recipient of the funds raised. President **CHERYL KLASS**, along with **ELSIE DAWE, SUSAN SPANITZ**, from the Children's Hospital of Buffalo Foundation and **JOHN MOSCATO**, Public Relations and Marketing for Children's look forward to telling the story about the place where medical miracles are made every day. Look for unique stories throughout the Telethon event, including updates on the Neo-Natal Intensive Care Unit and the Dr. Robert Warner Rehabilitation Center. It was the late Dr. Robert Warner who began this whole television fundraising effort 42 years ago.

Other Western New York media are important in spreading the word about the Variety Club Telethon. Radio partners like ...WJYE 96.1 with **Joe and CJ, Mike McQueen** and other Infinity Radio personalities...**Iney Wallens** from WHLD am...**Ramblin Lou and the Family Band** from WXRL...**Bill Lacy and Carol Ann Huber** from Oldies 104 WHTT, **John Zach, Susan Rose, and Sandy Beach** from WBEN NewsRadio 930, **Larry Norton** from 97 Rock...**Shredd & Ragan** from 103.3 The Edge, personalities from WYRK 106.5 FM, **Dan Neavearth** on WWKB1520, and the personalities from WBLK FM 93.3.

WKBW-TV Channel 7 President and General Manager **BILL RANSOM** is committed to supporting "The Variety Club Telethon" to benefit The Women and Children's Hospital, the Robert Warner Rehabilitation Center and other Western New York children charities for many years. Bill and his entire team are ready to "**Look Through Our Children's Eyes**" during "**The Variety Club Telethon 2005**"

**Channel 7, Live...Local...Latebreaking....  
and Looking Through The Eyes of Our Children!**

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