

News Release

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VARIETY KIDS TELETHON 2006 SHARE OUR DREAMS!

Buffalo, New York: **BILL RANSOM**, President and General Manager of WKBW-TV, Channel 7 joined Variety Kids Telethon 2006 General Chairman **ED SMITH** in announcing details for "The Variety Kids Telethon 2006" on WKBW-TV, Channel 7. The 12 hour telethon will originate LIVE from the Courtyards of the Millennium Airport Hotel in Cheektowaga, Sunday March 5th from 7:00am through 7:00pm Sunday. This is the 44th annual Telethon for Variety –The Children's Charity of Buffalo & Western New York which is the longest locally produced Telethon in the world and the 43rd for Channel 7.

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

SHARE OUR DREAMS...is the theme of Telethon 2006. Our special children have many dreams and when we all believe in them and help them..our children can accomplish anything.

ED SMITH is the General Chairperson of Variety Kids Telethon 2006. Ed and has been involved in many capacities with the Telethon for the past 15 years, including his first time as Telethon Chairman back in 1995. He also serves as the Property Master for the organization. Ed is president of Concerts Unlimited, a company that acts in a consulting role in developing and implementing new venues. The company also works with various groups in booking artists.

Serving as Honorary Chairman for the telethon is attorney **PAUL CAMBRIA**. Paul, a father of four knows all too well the importance of Women & Children's Hospital. Paul has been very active in fund raising for the kids this year and will be encouraging viewers throughout the weekend to give generously. Paul is the Senior Partner in the law firm of Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP.

Ed and Paul are being assisted by Honorary General Chairperson Robert Klein, Vice-President of Delta Sonic Car Wash Systems and is joined by co-chairpersons **ROSE DIPOLA**, of M & T Bank, and **LARRY TABER**, Manager of the Audubon Golf Course in Amherst.

The 2006 Variety Kids Telethon stars include some of the best in the business! The brightest star is the 2006 "Celebrity Child", **ZACHARY ANDREWS** of Buffalo, New York. Zachary is a happy 7-year-old boy who is outgoing and athletic and who has been diagnosed with Spina Bifida...

Allison and Michael, Zachary's mom and dad, learned there might be a medical problem with Zachary at about 15 weeks prior to birth, when they lived in the Catskill Mountain area by Binghamton, NY. The doctor Allison was seeing wasn't certain what Zachary's problem was and she was about to refer him to the Albany Medical center.

Then the family moved to Western New York. When Allison first began receiving medical care here, she explained to her new doctors that an ultrasound she had received showed something wrong with the baby's neurological system. Their new family doctor here obtained the medical records and called Allison and Michael in the next day to explain Zachary had Spina Bifida and further explained what that meant.

Mike and Allison met with Dr. Veetai Li, Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Women & Children's Hospital, regarding Zachary. Dr. Li further explained Spina Bifida in great detail. He cautioned that the chances of Zachary walking were small due to the location of the Spina Bifida on Zach's spine and that he may require several surgeries in addition to other health concerns. Needless to say, the Andrews family was overwhelmed but determined to get the best medical care for Zachary.

Zachary was born on March 23, 1998 at Women & Children's Hospital of Buffalo. He was born by cesarean section two weeks before his due date because the doctors knew he had Spina Bifida and did not want him to undergo a vaginal delivery. The doctors had performed three amniocenteses while he was in the womb to monitor his lung maturity. When his lungs were mature enough for delivery, they scheduled the c-section.

Zachary weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19 ½ in. long at birth. The doctors immediately wrapped him in plastic from his mid chest down to his feet to prevent infection of the myelomeningcele sac that was on his lower back. He was then placed in an incubator and whisked down to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit where the nurses and doctors prepared him for his first surgery.

At only 5 hours of age, Zachary was taken into surgery where Dr. Li removed the sac that had developed from his lower spine. His second surgery was one week later for the placement of a shunt. During his first seven years of his life, Zachary has had a total of seven surgeries with many more to come. Zach does experience health problems, with his kidneys, bladder, bowel, and has a shunt implanted to drain fluid off his brain.

Zachary enjoys playing sled hockey, a sport developed specifically for children and adults with disabilities. He has now entered his third season of playing sled hockey for the local team called the Sabres Sled Hockey team (formerly known as the Niagara Challengers). Even during the off-season, he often can be found playing street hockey in his sled with his brother and dad. In addition to playing sled hockey, Zachary's favorite things to do are to hangout with friends, help other kids with disabilities, watch the Disney, Animal Planet and Discovery channels, play game boy and to be outside.

Zachary currently attends Discovery School in South Buffalo, where he is in 2nd grade. School has been difficult for Zachary because he is the only disabled student in the school, but he has adjusted. He has two younger siblings including a brother named Tyler who is 4 years old and a sister named Kayla who is 3 years old.

The past seven years have been challenging at times, but his family is always doing its best for Zachary. They have had many trips to Women & Children's

Hospital and some very long stays on the ninth floor, but Zachary's parents feel their stay is always made as good as possible by the wonderful nurses who work on "Tanner 9". His parents also say it is hard to think about how Zach would be doing, and even if he would be here with us today, if it were not for the specialists at Women & Children's Hospital, which has become like a second home to Zachary and his family.

Zach's dream is to walk one day. With the continued support of the Western New York community, Zach's dreams and the dreams of all children with special needs will come true. After all...Together, we can "Share Our Dreams"!

Look for **ZACHARY**, and his parents **MIKE AND ALLSION**, as well as his brother **TYLER** and sister **KAYLA** to share their story with viewers.

From the small screen to the Big Screen....From Broadway and now to Buffalo, **CLIFTON DAVIS** comes to the 44th annual Variety Kids Telethon to help the kids achieve their dreams.

He is an actor, singer, composer, producer and minister, truly a renaissance man of the arts. For more than 30 years Clifton Davis has shared his unique gifts with audiences around the world. Dr. Davis is probably best known for his 5-year stint as Reverend Reuben Gregory on the popular television series, "Amen." Most recently, Davis appeared in the Disney film, "Halloweentown High" and the soon to be released indy film, "My Family Barbeque Part 2". He also portrayed 'Mayor Smalls in the Al Pacino film, "Any Given Sunday". Four other films have been recently added to his credits; "The Painting", "Max Keeble's Big Move", "The Climb", and a cameo appearance in the Whoopi Goldberg film, "Kingdom Come." Mr. Davis has been a guest star on such shows as, "Half & Half", "American Dreams", "City of Angels", "Veronica's Closet", "The Jamie Foxx Show", "Living Single", "Sparks", "Malcolm & Eddie", "Grace Under Fire", the award winning drama series, "Party of Five", "The Sentinel" on UPN and "The Gregory Hines Show" on CBS-TV and "In The House". He can be seen hosting "Praise the Lord" on the Trinity Broadcasting Network on a regular basis. Mr. Davis is also currently the host of two Cable TV series: "Gospel Superfest-Backstage Pass", a syndicated variety/talk-show airing on Trinity Broadcasting Network and "C.A.T.S." (Christian Artist Talent Search) currently airing on INSP-TV.

Over the years, Dr. Davis has become a celebrated motivational speaker, having been the keynote speaker for such organizations as the S.C.L.C, the UNCF, the NAACP Freedom Fund of South Carolina, National Black Meeting Planners, 100 Black Men of America, the National Black Educators convention and more than

25 Universities and schools. He is the recipient of more than 150 awards and citations for his service to such organizations as the UNCF, the NAACP Easter Seals and other social/civic organizations.

Davis holds a BA in Theology from Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama and a Master of Divinity degree from Andrews University in Michigan. Mr. Davis is also the recipient of an honorary Doctor of Ministry degree and a Doctor of Humane

Letters degree from Lincoln University.

His other television credits include starring in "The Melba Moore & Clifton Davis Show" and "That's My Mama" appearances on "The John Laroquette Show", "Vegas", "The Love Boat", "Police Story," as well as such major talk shows as The Tonight Show," "Live! With Regis and Kathie Lee," "Oprah," and "The Arsenio Hall Show." He has also hosted and served as presenter on numerous award shows and television specials. Over the years he has guest-starred in such made-for-TV movies as "Dream Date", "Little Ladies of the Night," "Cindy," "Murder at the Superdome," "Scott Joplin", "Don't Look Back," and "The Night the City Screamed."

On Broadway he has appeared in "Hello Dolly", "Jimmy Shine" starring Dustin Hoffman, and "The Engagement Baby," "Look To The Lilies", Davis received a Tony Award nomination for Best Actor in a Musical in 1972 as one of the stars of Broadway's

Tony Award-winning hit musical, "Two Gentlemen of Verona,". Then, in 1994, Mr.

Davis returned to the New York Theater appearing in the hit drama, "Hapgood" at The Lincoln Center Theater. He has also been seen Off-Broadway in "How to Steal an Election," Lorraine Hansberry's "To Be Young, Gifted, and Black," Pulitzer Prize-winning "No Place to be Somebody," and many other productions. Mr. Davis won a Theatre World Award for his performance in "Do It Again."

In September 2002, Dr. Davis Co-Starred with Phylicia Rashad and Diahann Carroll in the Pasadena Playhouse Production of "Blue", a drama which broke all box office records for the 70 year history of the theater. This summer he appeared in the acclaimed musical, "Tell Hell, I Ain't Coming". Over the years he has toured starring in such shows as "Guys and Dolls", "Daddy Goodness", "Celebration", "Pal Joey" with Lena Horne, and Maya Angelou's "And Still I Rise".

As a composer, Davis received a Grammy nomination for his hit song, "Never Can Say Goodbye." As a singer and recording artist, he has enjoyed success with his album "Gospel Greats," on Benson Records, and has performed in concert all over the nation.

Dr. Davis served two years as Associate Pastor at the Loma Linda University Church and he is the Co-founder and former Co-Pastor of Welcome Christian Center in Huntington Beach, CA. His ministry spans more than 18 years during which he has evangelized throughout the nation, introducing thousands of people to the love of God.

From January 1995 to September 1996, Mr. Davis served as Vice Chancellor for Development & Planning at Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina. Mr. Davis served as Honorary Membership Chairman of the National Parent Teacher's Association from 1989-91 and has served on the advisory council for The Children's Defense Fund. Mr. Davis is an avid golfer, licensed pilot and a certified scuba diver. However, his greatest loves are his God, his wife of five years, Monica, and his two children; 25 year-old, Christian, and 21 year-old,

Holly.

Returning to the Variety Kids Telethon for her second straight year, is **ILENE GRAFF**. Ilene has been a favorite of Variety 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 Kids Children's Charities Telethons in Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Iowa and Buffalo. She has a complete singing Kids 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.

Returning after a 8 year absence form the Telethon and Western New York, Western New York knows him by one name.....**IRV!** The legendary former Captain of the Channel 7 hometown team, **IRV WEINSTEIN**, comes home to share the dreams of our children. Irv, who now makes his home in Irvine, California, where is daughter is currently the mayor, is very excited to be coming back. After a four decade-long career in Buffalo broadcast journalism, first at WKBW Radio and then on Channel 7, Irv Weinstein retired in 1998, but remains admired and fondly remembered by thousands of loyal fans in Western New York. Prior to his retirement, Irv was inducted into the Buffalo Broadcast Pioneers Hall of Fame along with Eyewitness News team members, Rick Azar and Tom Jolls. This summer, he'll be among those inducted into the N. Y. State Broadcasters Hall Of Fame, whose ranks include former CBS News anchorman, Walter Cronkite. For more than 30 years, Irv was involved in the annual Variety Club Telethon, helping to raise funds for Women & Children's Hospital and other local charities. Irv comes back to do what he does so well for the kids: taking pledges, manning the phones, and of course, singing "I'm A Little Teapot." Watch for Irv to really get those phones ringing and reminiscing about the good ole days.

From 7 News at Noon the "Guru of Ohhh It's Soo Good,"**MR. FOOD** (aka Art Ginsburg) returns this year after a one year absence last year. Mr. Food has been appealing to viewers at home to make those important pledges for the children for 12 years and this Telethon is one of two events nationally that he makes sure that he does each year. Again this year, something's simmering at Salvatore's Italian Gardens in Lancaster as everyone is invited to "**Lunch with Mr. Food!**" on Saturday March 4th at 11:00am. Your \$30 donation entitles you to lunch, a Mr. Food cookbook, and lots of prizes. You can win big at the Chinese Auction, and get to meet Mr. Food! Get your reservations before they sell out by calling 854-7577.

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 knows 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 Kids their cause. Ed can be seen every Friday night at 2:05am on the nationally syndicated "Off Beat Cinema" as "Maxwell Truth" on WKBW-TV.

Music will be provided by "The Variety Kids Telethon Orchestra" under the

direction of **JOHN HASSELBACK**. John and the band have performed at the show for many years.

A NEW EVENT this year for Variety is...**"A Tribute To The Kids...A Special Concert by the Telethon National Cast"** This great concert event will take place at the historic Riviera Theatre in North Tonawanda. The doors open at 6pm, the Might Wurlitzer Organ will start playing at 6:30 and the national cast will take the stage at 7pm. This is the first time in the 44 year history of the Telethon that the public can get a chance to see the cast performing in their element. During the telethon viewers only get the chance to see the cast do a song every once in a while. At the Riviera, they will perform a show. Tickets are \$15.00 and are available at The Riviera Theatre, Budwey's Supermarkets in Buffalo and North Tonawanda and the Variety Kids Telethon office on Delaware Avenue in Buffalo. For more information, call 854-7577

A **LIVE REMOTE** will take place on Sunday March 5th 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! Variety volunteers will also be at the mall on Saturday March 4th raising money for this important cause.

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

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

The Executive Producer of "The Variety Kids Telethon 2006" for the Variety Kids is **STEVE PODOSEK**. 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 **CANDICE ZOELLER**.

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 Kids.

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 **UNI STAGE**.

The Variety Kids 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 Former Buffalo Bills quarterback JIM KELLY's hit book "ARMED AND DANGEROUS", DELTA SONIC, PIZZA HUT, DIPSON THEATRE TICKETS, MARTIN'S FANTASY ISLAND, PAUL REYNOLDS PHOTOGRAPHY, BUFFALO BISONS, ENTERTAINMENT COUPON BOOKS 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

The Variety Kids is also online through partnership with BUFFNET. Reach the Variety Kids at <http://www.variety.buffnet.net> and click on the "Donate Online" Graphic. A great new way to catch this years Variety Kids Telethon is right on your computer! Log in to www.WKBW.com and click on Watch the Variety Kids Telethon. More and more people use their computers each day for work and fun. The Variety Kids Telethon and Channel 7 want to make it as easy as possible for everyone to see this annual labor of love and lend their support.

Other fundraising events include the **DELTA SONIC PENNY-A-GALLON** campaign February 26 through March 5th, \$.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 Kids is giving away a 2006 Pontiac Vibe, 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 5. This fund raiser has 2 great prizes! The winner receives the car and the seller of the winning ticket receives \$5,000!

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 19.

The Buffalo News will continue its annual tradition of **Buffalo News Kids Day** on Tuesday April 25, 2006. This is a change from the usual Tuesday before the Telethon. The change was made for safety reasons and to give the volunteers

more sunlight and warmer weather. Look for representatives from **The Buffalo News** to show us the new look and talk about the date change on TV during the Telethon. To date this great sale of special editions of The Buffalo News has raised over **\$3,200,000** since 1983.

The Telethon is broadcast from the MILLENNIUM AIRPORT HOTEL BUFFALO 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 4th 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 Women & 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 Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and the Robert Warner Rehabilitation Programs as well as Variety's charities. 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 Kids Telethon. Radio partners like ...WJYE 96.1 with **Joe and CJ, Mike McQueen** and other CBS Radio personalities...**Ramblin Lou and the Family Band** from WXRL...**Bill Lacy and Carol Ann Huber** from Oldies 104 WHTT, **John Zach, Susan Rose, and Randy Bushover** from WBEN NewsRadio 930, **Larry Norton** from 97 Rock...**Shredd & Ragan** from 103.3 The Edge, **Clay Moden** from WYRK 106.5 FM, and the personalities from WBLK FM 93.3.

We thank **Bob Hill** from WJYE, New Jack FM92, WBLK, WYRK, and WECK, **Mary Davis** with WWWS, WGR and Kiss 98.5, **Leia Militello** and WEDG, WGRF, WHTT, WMMY and WHLD; **Iney Wallens** from WHLD; **Terry Frank** from WJTN in Jamestown; **David Rowley** from WDOE in Dunkirk; **John Raymond** from WLVL in Lockport; **Fred Haier** from WSPQ in Springville for their help and cooperation in airing their public service shows and talking about the Variety Kids Telethon.

WKBW-TV Channel 7 President and General Manager **BILL RANSOM** is committed to supporting "The Variety Kids 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 "**SHARE OUR DREAMS**" during "**The Variety Kids Telethon 2006**"

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and Sharing The Dreams of Our Children!**

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