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## Comedy Show at Mid-Year Provides Fun, Will Send Kids to Kamp Kiwanis

A busy schedule is ready for the participants in the 2011 New York District Mid-Year Conference which will take place Feb. 24-27 at the Holiday Inn on Wolf Road in Albany.

Kiwanians will be treated to a Comedy Show on Friday evening that's designed to provide some fun and to raise some money for Kamp Kiwanis.

Doors will open for the comedy show at 9 p.m. on Feb. 25, with the show starting at 9:30 p.m. The show is for adults 18 years of age or older.

All of the money raised from ticket sales, \$15 for one or \$25 for two, will be used to send children of active-duty deployed military personnel to Kamp Kiwanis. A portion of the cash bar also will be donated to Kamp Kiwanis.

The weekend will feature a variety of educational programs, including new club building for lieutenant governors, a leadership session for presidents and secretaries, and a variety of forums.

Friday night's dinner will feature the district's Sponsored Youth.

On Saturday night the dinner will be dedicated to honoring Booker's Builders, the team of Past Gov. David Booker, who was governor in 2009-10.

Several annual events will once again be featured, including District Board and Foundation Board meetings.

Those planning to attend need to register for both the hotel and the conference. Forms have been mailed to clubs

and are available on the district web site, [www.kiwanis-ny.org](http://www.kiwanis-ny.org).

A third form is needed to order tickets for the Comedy Show.

The Basket Raffle is an annual attraction at the Mid-Year Conferences.

Clubs, divisions and others are welcome to donate baskets which are then raffled off.

This year, Governor Mike has designated the proceeds of the Basket Raffle to send Kampers to Kamp Kiwanis.

You are encouraged to bring to the Conference a basket of items representative of your area. Each year we have seen baskets of food, chocolates, wine, liquor, toys, business items, books, sporting goods, and other items. Be

creative, have fun and let's raise lots of money so that we can help more children around our District.

Please inform Basket Chair Rebecca Ovadia or Co-Chair Herman Ovadia if you are bringing a basket. You can reach Rebecca at [woodsidedkiwanis@yahoo.com](mailto:woodsidedkiwanis@yahoo.com), Herman at [regoroff@yahoo.com](mailto:regoroff@yahoo.com) or by calling (516) 432-5690.

Registration forms for the conference have been mailed to clubs and are on the district web site, [www.kiwanis-ny.org](http://www.kiwanis-ny.org).

See Page 4 for more information including the tentative schedule. Check the district web site for schedule updates and additions.

### Governor

Michael Malark



As we start the new year we are bringing in members but we must keep working to get our membership up.

Our success is going to be in Membership Roundups, members inviting potential members, friends and acquaintances to club meetings, so please keep it up.

We also have many clubs striving to attain Charter II strength (25 members). Clubs that are under 15 members should strive to bring their membership to 15. Clubs that are at 15 members should bring their membership up to 20.

Clubs that are at 20 should achieve charter strength (25). So far Glen Cove in Long Island North has reached charter strength.

Think 39 is a great way to energize your club with younger members and new ideas. Membership has been our goal and as your governor I want to

thank you for your support.

You have also supported the Governor's Project with its many different options which has also lead to membership, community service, Kiwanis awareness and education.

As we strive to achieve our goals we should remember that we are a service organization and work to make our Kiwanis Clubs the best Service Organization in our community

Remember it's not I, it's not me, "It is we", who should be striving to make our clubs stronger with more members and more service in our communities.

Let's work together to achieve our goals.

As Einstein implied, "If you always do what you always did, you only get what you always got."

New members mean new ideas, more hands to strengthen our clubs and the district.

I would like to thank all of you for your energy and hard work in making the New York District one of the best in the world.

We hope to see you at the Mid-Year Conference.

I would like to thank and congratulate Long Island North for bring in our first new club, "Great Neck Peninsula."

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