



### Empire Club

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#### Empire Club – Adding To the Legacy of the NY District Kiwanis Foundation

The Empire Club allows Kiwanians and friends of the NY District Kiwanis Foundation to make a long-range gift to further help children that we serve through our District Foundation. It can be through an up front cash donation of at least \$2,000, donated life insurance policy, stocks, bonds and/or any other bequeath that you so desire to earmark. The information is kept confidentially in the NYD Kiwanis Foundation Office.

You can also designate the NYD Kiwanis Foundation as a beneficiary (or partial beneficiary) to any asset that you earmark at your passing

Remember, joining the Empire Club allows you to make a long-range gift to the District Foundation and be recognized at all District Conventions with a reception in your honor, a plaque, pin and a banner patch for your club's banner. NYD Kiwanis Foundation President Sal Anelli and I (or an area Foundation Board member) would be honored to make the presentation at a Division Council Meeting, NYD Mid-Winter Conference or the District Convention in August.

We have grown from 30 members to 34 since November, 2007 and hope that you would consider the NY District Foundation in your estate plan as bequeaths will reduce your estate tax liability. Check with your financial planner, who can assist you in this manner.

Feel free to call me – 315-449-3000, ext 358, or email me: Pepster@aol.com with your questions, suggestions, concerns or any other comments that you have about the program.

Please think of your NY District Kiwanis Foundation in your estate planning...kids benefit from your generosity!

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the local clubs might not have an appreciation for the total good that is being accomplished at the New York District level by sponsored organizations. Key Club and Circle K committee members reports make us extremely proud and deeply satisfied.

Having made these observations, and in keeping with the challenges of the Committee on Youth Services, it is important to note, that there is always more that can be accomplished. We are aware of goals which organizations such as: America's Promise, the Assets Program, The Center for the 4th and 5th R's, Lucky U and the work of Dr. Phil Vincent have in terms impacting lives and addressing concerns that: individuals, families, schools, and communities face.

As the year progresses, there might be opportunities for others, who are interested, to join and share thoughts and ideas as to how more can be done to accomplish the objectives that are outlined in the section relating to the Committee on Youth Services. We are ready to work with all of you.

## NEW YORK DISTRICT KIWANIS MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

February 20-22, 2009

### Hudson Valley Resort & Spa Reservation Form



#### Deluxe Accommodations For Two Nights

- Single Occupancy – Per Person, Per Stay  
\$365.00 Inclusive of service charges
- Double Occupancy – Per Person, Per Stay  
\$265.00 Inclusive of service charges
- Triple Occupancy – Per Person, Per Stay  
\$245.00 Inclusive of service charges
- Quad Occupancy – Per Person, Per Stay  
\$235.00 Inclusive of service charges

- Children's Rates- As third & fourth Occupant  
Children 5 and Under Free
- Children 6-12  
\$70.00 Per Child, Per Stay
- Children 13-17  
\$130.00 Per Child, Per Stay

Rates Include: Overnight accommodations, six (6) meals daily starting with dinner on day of arrival through lunch on day of departure  
(Rates are subject to prevailing NYS Tax)

#### One Night Stay – Limited To 10 Rooms (Upon approval from the district)

- Single Occupancy – Per Person, Per Night  
\$208.00 Inclusive of service charges
- Double Occupancy – Per Person, Per Night  
\$158.00 Inclusive of service charges
- Triple Occupancy – Per Person, Per Night  
\$148.00 Inclusive of service charges

Rates Include: Overnight accommodations, three (3) meals daily starting with dinner on day of arrival through lunch on day of departure  
(Rates are subject to prevailing NYS Tax)



#### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharing Room With: \_\_\_\_\_

#### \*Credit card information for deposit

Name on Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*The Hotel is not responsible for assigning room mates. 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPOSIT:** Individuals are required to provide the Hotel with a deposit of \$100.00 per room plus Kiwanis Registration fee with this form by **FEBRUARY 9, 2009**. Make checks payable to Hudson Valley Resort & Spa. We also accept Amex, MasterCard, Visa, , and Discover Cards for deposit – please complete the information requested: Any and all cancellations made less than seven (7) days prior to arrival will be subject to the forfeiture of the individual's deposit. Individuals who are categorized as a "No Show" will be billed in full. After the cut off date, or when your room block has filled, the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa will accept group reservations on a space availability basis. After that date rooms are subject to availability.

#### Registration fees for Kiwanian and/or Guest \$40 each

Late fees apply after February 13, 2009 of \$10.00 per registration, with no refund after 2/13/09

#### BADGE INFORMATION

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_ NICK NAME FOR BADGE \_\_\_\_\_  
SPOUSE NAME: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last(if different) \_\_\_\_\_ Nick Name if any \_\_\_\_\_ if Kiwanian club name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILDREN: First Name Only \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE PRINT YOUR CURRENT TITLE:

Honors: Please Circle all that apply, put a 2 if Partner also apply First Timer Life Member Hixson Tablet of Honor  
Heritage Society Kaiser KPTC Empire Club Pediatric Lyme Past Governor Past Lt. Governor

PLEASE MAIL, OR FAX: THIS FORM TO: Attn: Reservations Department (**No Phone Reservations will be accepted**)  
Hudson Valley Resort & Spa, 400 Granite Road, Kerhonkson, NY 12446 FAX: (845) 626-2677

## Elmira Aktion Club Seeks Opportunities to Give Back

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CLEARY SPEAKING BY JOHN P. CLEARY  
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One of the great things about working for a newspaper for a long time, maybe the greatest thing, is the regular cast of characters you get to know.

They're the people you keep running into while out on assignment or looking for things to write about. One of the hardest parts of leaving the newspaper was falling out of contact with some of those ordinary folks who kept turning up.

Among my favorites was Eric Lindsay, the guy who moved to Elmira, then realized he looked just like Mark Twain. I'd only written about Eric once or twice, but we bumped into each other a dozen times over the last few years. I always enjoyed finding Chemung County Historian Archie Kieffer in unexpected places. Archie, with his informal, encyclopedic knowledge of the way things used to be, is one of the Twin Tiers' greatest treasures.

But maybe my happiest unexpected meetings were with Peggy Eastburn. I'd find Peggy often at St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira when I visited there to cover events. Peggy was a volunteer there for some time and has volunteered in other ways around Elmira. For me, her irrepressible cheerfulness has always been an uplifting bonus to working at the paper.

Peggy finds ways to contribute to the community despite her disability, which restricts her to a motorized wheelchair and to limited use of her hands and arms. It doesn't restrict her quick mind or her friendly voice. She is a natural organizer and motivator, is politically minded (an Eric Massa election bumper sticker adorns her wheelchair) and has a drive to contribute.

The wonderful thing about Peggy is she is not alone. Wednesday night, I had the pleasure of meeting her colleagues with the Aktion Club of Elmira. It's made up of people with physical or developmental disabilities brought together by their sincere desire to

help others. Led by a board of directors from their own ranks -- Tim Tompkins is president this year -- the group seeks opportunities to give back to the communities that have helped care for them.

Most members are residents of homes operated by Chemung ARC, the Cerebral Palsy and Handicapped Children's Association of Chemung County and other agencies. Others are disabled community members living on their own. They are advised by representatives from the agencies who assist people with disabilities and sponsored by the Elmira Kiwanis Club.

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your participation.

Thank you for your commitment to Kiwanis and I hope to see you at our Mid Winter Conference!