Three new clubs in the New York District are proceeding through the organizational and charter process. On April 4, the Ridgewood Kiwanis Club was organized by Past President Bob Monahan from the Glendale Kiwanis Club with 75 members. It is a 3-2-1 Club. The Charter President is Liz Fitzgerald, Charter Secretary is Hank Kraker and the Charter Treasurer is Dave Fitzgerald. They have published their first club newsletter and set up projects. The Charter Night is scheduled for June 20. The Middle Village Kiwanis Club is the club’s sponsor.

Queens West Lt. Gov. Carol Masiello and Past Distinguished Lt. Gov. and Formula Zone Chair Verdia Noel attended the Organization Meeting. The new club collected $752 in Happy Dollars at the meeting.

3-2-1 clubs commit to three hours of service, two hours of social activity and a one-hour meeting each month. Forty members attended the organizational meeting and the club expects to have 75 members ready to be inducted at the Charter Night.

The Valley Stream Kiwanis Club was organized Jan. 31 by Long Island Southwest by Lt. Gov. Thomas Cesiro with 31 members. He was assisted by Charter President Richard Ramos in forming the new club. Special thanks go to Kiwanis International President Jim Rochford and his Eye of the Tiger Team who helped lay the groundwork last year after the 2017 Mid-Year Conference in which they helped form the Lynbrook Kiwanis Club. A previous Valley Stream club disbanded in 2016.

The South Buffalo club organized on Jan. 3, and received its charter on March 26. It is in the Niagara Frontier South Division.
Two Running for Governor-Elect

Joseph Ruggiero

Hopefully as we turn the corner to some warmer weather and we move past the colder days, Spring will be upon us. Time to look forward to many upcoming Kiwanis events. The nicer weather will allow us to promote Kiwanis and all we do for the children and community.

I became a member of Kiwanis in 2006 after watching my parents’ involvement in the organization. A club, I am proud to say, which just celebrated its 40th year of serving the community and those in need. My father asked me to join on many occasions and finally, as life often does, the opportunity developed, and I was able to commit to this wonderful organization. I am proud to say that in 2008 I was elected president of my club and re-elected for 6 consecutive years. These years were very rewarding personally and very enriching years to helping those in need.

In 2014, I decided to step up and accept the responsibilities of being lieutenant governor of the Brooklyn Division. I was fully supported and elected to serve that year. This was truly an honor and I was very proud and humbled that Past Governor Eric Paul recognized my work and dedication, as I was one of his Distinguished Lt. Governors.

We had great Mid-Winter and Circle K Conventions in Albany at the Desmond Hotel. It was wonderful reconnecting with old friends and meeting new friends. Over the past 5 years, I have attended every convention. By attending all the conventions, it opens your eyes more and gives you a better sense of purpose for what we do. It motivated me to want to do more in the Leadership area. It gives you such a better understanding of how Kiwanis is involved in the community and how we can positively affect the people living in those communities.

At the conventions, there are many forums offered that keep you abreast of new programs, new ideas, and gives you the opportunity to become involved. You get to see, in person, what other clubs are doing to assist their communities.

It is also very important for you to attend your club and division meetings. They are packed with information about happenings in the local area, as well as, happenings in the New York District and Kiwanis International.

I am pleased to say that I have been involved in Kiwanis International’s World-Wide Campaign, called The Formula, focusing on building membership. Supporting the clubs and helping them to build their membership is crucial. I always look for an opportunity to speak about Kiwanis and the great things we have done, not only in our local communities, but also around the world.

I look forward to having District wide support to lead New York further into the future.

Frank Romeo

The NY District of Kiwanis has so many successes to celebrate, but we also face many significant challenges which we need to address immediately.

The greatest challenges facing Kiwanis today are not new; it’s time for us to think about addressing them in a new way, it’s time for us to open ourselves to change, radical change, because it’s the only way to move Kiwanis ahead.

The more we increase the active participation and partnership with young people, the better we serve them. The more comprehensively we work with them, the more we increase our public value to the whole community.

The office of governor should be held by an individual who can bring solutions that will change our district for the better. Our district needs a new approach. If we don’t change the way we operate, then things will remain the way they have always been. That means a continued decline in the membership and a decline in the number of clubs and a decline in the quality of our clubs.

I will manage the district from a broad perspective that is oriented toward the future and our impact on one another. Part of Kiwanis service is that every club and every Kiwanian can choose where and how they want to do service, that won’t change.

As governor, I will continue to grow and support all Kiwanis programs. I will specifically support and grow Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs. Service Leadership Programs not only develop youth leaders, but also future Kiwanians and community leaders. I will continue the strong leadership and many of the projects of past governors and their boards.

I will also offer new ideas for an ever-changing Kiwanis. I have the education and a lifetime of experience that counts. Experience I will put to work for you!

The success of our clubs does not depend upon any one individual but upon all of us collectively. As we each give our best to our club, I urge you to seek the best from our fellow members. Let us all freely share ideas and let our ideas be adopted by the will of the majority.

When I was lieutenant governor, I donated my expense reimbursement money to the Kiwanis International Foundation. When I am Governor, I will not take any monetary reimbursement from the district. Any monies budgeted for my personal expenses will be used for improvements to our district.

We cannot accomplish our goals by solely talking about them. We need to carry them out through our actions.

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2017-18 Events

May 17-19, 2018:
Kamp Kiwanis Work Week and Open House
June 28-July 1, 2018:
Kiwanis International Convention, Las Vegas
Aug. 14-19, 2018:
District Convention, Marriott Syracuse Downtown, Syracuse
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As I visit your divisions, it still amazes me how much you all accomplish. Since October 1 our District has added 287 new members. Along with three new clubs, Niagara Frontier South division - South Buff-alo, Our second club our Long Island Southwest division - Valley Stream and our third club is Queens West Division - Ridgewood. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication. Our Formula Team is doing a fantastic job, especially our Vice-Chair Past Gov. Joe Epollito for staying on top of it all.

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Hello fellow Kiwanians of the New York District.

As I prepare to take that last step up to be your Governor, I have been very busy setting up my chairs, staff and commit-tees. I am planning an exciting year.

We just completed two weekends of fun with our Circle K convention and Key Club Leadership Training Conference. The energy and excitement was great. What dedicated young men and women.

We have our Lt. Governor-Elect train-ing coming up in May, where the best Lt. Governor Class ever will unite to push this district from good to great.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at Dcon in Syracuse.

Yours in Kiwanis Governor Elect Hank and First Lady Elect Bonnie.

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Kamp, Foundation Celebrate 50 Years

On March 4, the New York District Foundation and Kamp Kiwanis celebrated their 50th anniversary with an event which drew 500 people to the Crest Hollow Country Club in Westbury.

At the event, 50th anniversary medallions were presented to individuals for their service to the Kamp and to the Foundation.

The New York District took over the camp from the Kiwanis Club of Rome in 1968 and has been working to increase its importance to the children of the district since.

The camp, which opened to campers in 1971, has begun serving girls along with boys, disabled adults and children with special needs while expanding to accommodate more campers and to increase the opportunities the camp provides.

Foundation Board Members posed for a picture at the dinner.

Special 50th anniversary medallions were presented to camp supporters.

The past governors present for the event.

At left, Foundation President Sal Anelli thanks Kamp Director Rebecca Clemence for her efforts, and, at right, presents flowers to his wife, Carole, for her support.
The Kiwanis International Board last met in January by teleconference, at a savings of approximately $50,000. The following actions took place at our meeting:

- We accepted our 2016-17 consolidated audit report; approved our auditors for the 2017-18 year; and reviewed our investment policy and our current investment report.
- We authorized an expenditure of up to $110,000 to fund a current and future functionality assessment of an association management system.
- We extended the Rose Float Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California-Nevada-Hawaii District, its foundation, and the Kiwanis Club of Rosefloat of Pasadena for an additional year at a cost of $60,000. It is anticipated that an additional $25,000 will be expended for t-shirts for the SLP volunteers who construct our float.
- We approved matching grant requests from the Japan District in the amount of $3,500, the New Zealand-South Pacific District in the amount of $3,350, and a one-time subsidy to Korea for an English-speaking staff person.
- We voted to propose amendments to the Kiwanis International Bylaws to require districts to have advance permission from our board to endorse a candidate for international office by vote of their district board rather than their house of delegates; and to require members to have completed a term as immediate past governor before formally announcing their candidacy for a Kiwanis International office.
- We approved trustees Chuck Gugliuzza and Richard G. Olmstead Jr. to serve as next year’s board-counselors to Circle K International and Key Club International, respectively.

As of the end of February, 127 new clubs with 2,371 charter members have been reported for the 2017-18 year, including two organized in our district, South Buffalo and Valley Stream.

We have just completed our annual Leadership Training Conference and it was very well attended.

We had over 700 students and adults from over 100 schools attend this year’s Conference. I want to thank the Kiwanis clubs and Kiwanians for making this possible. I know that the Kiwanis clubs in this district spend thousands of dollars on transportation to get their Key Clubbers to the conference. Then many of the Kiwanis clubs pay a third of the students’ registration and also the advisors’ registration. I also know that we have Kiwanis advisors that come to the conference as chaperones at their own expense.

We are now starting to work on the Key Club International Convention (ICON) in Chicago.

We have a great tour for the District ICON trip this year. We will be flying from Albany and LaGuardia airport on Monday July 2. The tour will include the Field Museum, Navy Pier, and a Fourth of July boat ride on the lake to watch the fireworks. We are also looking into a baseball game and will try some famous Chicago Deep Dish Pizza.

The cost for this great trip is $1,275 per person and will include all travel, all hotels, ICON registration, all tour events, all breakfasts, 3 dinners and one lunch. I am asking for your help in financing this trip for your lieutenant governors and district officers so they can attend this great conference. ICON is a place for the District Board to get trained in their positions, learn new and exciting projects and to meet Key Clubbers from all of the country. Remember that your district board represents you at the International level.

You have done a great job in supporting your Key Clubbers in the past and I look forward to your support for ICON. As I have said in the past -- I have the best job in Kiwanis and I am proud to serve as your Administrator.

Line Dancing Raises Funds

The Kiwanis Club of Lindenhurst held its first Country Line Dance Party on March 2 at the Moose Lodge.

The event is part of a series of activities to help raise funds for the Tony Lazio and Larry Troiano Memorial Scholarship, the William Jubak Memorial, and the Richard Heuwetter Memorial Key Club Scholarships which are awarded each year to eligible Lindenhurst high school seniors.

Guests who braved yet another nor’easter were treated to refreshments and musical entertainment provided by the popular country band UnWined. Lindenhurst residents Dee Sharkey and Marilyn Balkam led those willing to kick up their heels to a fun-filled night of line dancing.

There were raffles and a cowboy hat autographed by country music legend George Strait was auctioned off.
Pediatric Lyme Disease

DPG John Gridley

The diagnosis process for Lyme disease is unfortunately not the end of the obstacle field confronting Lyme disease sufferers. Even if diagnosed early and accurately, a Lyme disease sufferer faces sizable challenges in the treatment process. Current antibiotic guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) are vastly inadequate and based on antiquated, inaccurate, and unreliable data.

While some people do get well by following these guidelines, a significant percentage do not. Many people remain sick despite a two- or three-week course of doxycycline or penicillin, the length and choice of antibiotic therapy which the CDC dogmatically and ignorantly insist is adequate treatment.

Recent estimates suggest that up to 30 percent of Lyme disease cases do not get resolved after following these CDC guidelines. A preponderance of research establishing the necessity of extended courses of antibiotic therapy for the unlucky 30 percent has been completely ignored by medical regulatory agencies. As a result, symptoms and misery can continue for them even though the "right treatment" was given.

People who are still infected despite antibiotic therapy have what is referred to as chronic Lyme disease. The chronic form of the disease is becoming an epidemic in the United States. Or is it? A significant percentage of doctors and regulatory agencies do not recognize the existence of chronic Lyme disease. The prevailing belief is that if someone has Lyme disease and is treated with a several week long course of antibiotics, they must, by definition, be cured.

The conclusion that chronic Lyme disease is not a valid medical condition is so preposterous, so irrational, so unscientific that one can't help but question whether the presiding research organizations are actually pursuing truth or instead, acting as puppets beholding to a political or medical agenda. There is simply too much research to ignore.

The doctors who recognize chronic Lyme disease, and are willing to treat it, are few and far between. Lyme Literal Network, and are willing to treat it, are willing to treat it, are willing to treat it, are willing to treat it, will be heroes with good intentions, coming to the rescue when no one else will. However, increasing persecution and legal danger has led to the decision by many doctors not to treat Lyme disease patients, or at least, to adhere to the inadequate treatment guidelines established by the government.

The bottom line on diagnosing and treating Lyme disease is that there are many ways to end up with the infection but not many ways to get rid of it. This, as you may have guessed by now, is why we need breakthrough therapies for Lyme disease.

In closing, as I have been saying for the past 18 years, if you as a parent think that your child has been bitten by a Tick, go to a doctor, have the Tick tested, and demand a blood test and start immediately on antibiotics. If you are lucky enough to know a LLMD doctor go to him first.

Aktion Club

Jaimie Neuringer

April 1st marks the beginning of the Kiwanis Service Leadership Program year, so it’s time to start anew. I’d like to take this opportunity to introduce myself: My name is Jaimie Neuringer, and I am the Aktion Club District Administrator from Western New York. My background includes being an art teacher, a Kiwanian club secretary, and for the past 5 years, an Aktion Club Advisor.

We have launched a feature-filled Aktion Club website: www.aktionclub-ny.org It has some great tools: an interactive club map, recognition of individual club activities in the district, and resources including club building, fundraising, contests, and more. Anyone with an interest in our Aktion Clubs should be visiting this site regularly, and submitting club items to feature online.

We are excited that each Aktion Club has access to a new online monthly report this year. This monthly report replaces the quarterly reports that clubs had been using. It allows clubs to track club activities, service hours, fundraisers, and other important information in an easy format. Either the Kiwanian advisor or the facility advisor can complete their club’s monthly report. Access is available by logging into Kiwanis Connect, the Kiwanis online reporting system.

Finally, The Aktion Club Training and Leadership Conference will be in Las Vegas in June, and we’ll have a spectacular lineup for members and advisors, including training, sharing, and a red-carpet movie event! For Kiwanians who have registered and paid for the Kiwanis International Convention, you can also attend TLC sessions at no additional cost. Your Kiwanis convention name badge will grant you access to TLC events. Please email kstephenson@kiwanis.org to let her know that you will participate so that we can save a seat for you.

I am here to help. If you have any Aktion Club questions or issues, please email me: jaimie@aktionclub-ny.org I also need your help: Please submit photos, activities, and ideas on the new website. Together, we can get our members into Aktion!

Circle K Governor

Ryan Coffey

My name is Ryan Coffey, from The City College of New York and I am serving as the New York District Circle K Governor.

We just hosted our district convention in Albany, where we were very proud to have Hazel and John Goldstein, Key Club administrator, and Middletown Club Kiwanians, as our convention honoree. We also had Greg Faulkner, from Fordham Kiwanis Club, and past Circle K International President, as our Glenn Fitzpatrick Alumni Honoree.

Throughout my year I am going to promote more Kiwanis family relations, through all the branches. Please look out for emails and letters from you’re Circle K Lieutenant Governor counterparts. I personally look forward to working with Governor Candace and Governor Elect Hank! We also have our international convention, hosted in Chicago coming up in July, and we have a candidate for International Trustee. I look forward to attending to represent The New York District.

I hope you meet you in Syracuse in August, and throughout the year at various events. I thank you for your dedication to our organization and your commitment to sponsored youth.

The District website, www.kiwanis-ny.org, always has the latest district news.

Empire State Kiwanian
Close your eyes for a moment and imagine yourself 11, 12, or 13 years old. Do you remember when you were that age? I do! At this same time you are listening to an adult describe an opportunity for you to be a part of something new, a club perhaps? How do you feel? Are you excited? Or are you nervous or overwhelmed?

Our pre-teens go through this on a daily basis. Basically they are a massive ball of confusion. They cannot be lead by the hand as they once were in elementary school as K-Kids, nor are they independent like our high schoolers are as Key Clubbers. The Builders Club kids are on the verge of becoming independent yet still need our guidance. They need our “Helping Hands” as Gov.-Elect Hank Baker has said many times. Remember one of our mottos is “Kids Need Kiwanis”, and by the same token “Kiwanis Needs Kids” for they truly are our future!

Our SLP programs through the guidance of their administrators, Kiwanis and faculty advisors have kept the vision of Kiwanis in the minds of everyone who want to leave our world a better place. I appreciate everything that my fellow Kiwanians do to guide these future leaders in making this happen. Whether it has been decorating and setting up, volunteering to cook or serve, collecting can goods for food drives, or bell ringing during the Holidays.

The top three nearest to my heart are first, starting up, maintaining and continuing food pantries.
Secondly, spreading the word on preventing or stopping bullying.
Finally the ability of our adult clubs to reach our youth and get these impressionable young people to make positive choices in these troubling times.

In the spirit of “new growth”, we have chartered three new Builders Clubs; the Corpus Christi Holy Rosary Club in Port Chester, IS 234 and IS 303 in Brooklyn. Kudos to all the Kiwanis Clubs, their advisors and their school administrators that have been instrumental in making these programs possible. We are also in the process of renewing one of our Builders Club, IS 77Q in Ridgewood, in the near future and look forward to working with their advisors Mike Liendo, Glendale Kiwanis, Dean Joseph Simone, and Christine Saladino of IS 77Q.

A special shout out goes to Joe DeMarco from the Liberty Kiwanis Club of Brooklyn, who continues to serve Kiwanis altruistically and has been energized by the spirit of these Builders Club members of IS 303.

Although this BC has only been recently chartered, they have helped their community with many service projects. With the help of Joe, their liaison and people who serve as faculty advisor, school administration, the local NYPD 60th Precinct and the Housing Police of PSA1, this club created a great working partnership and additional chaperones within their community.

To date they have had food, coat, clothing and toy drives to benefit the homeless, shelters and needy of their neighborhood. In addition to the many projects they have completed in such a short time in existence they ran a dance for autistic children which was very successful!

They also have two ongoing projects. They are currently collecting items to make personal hygiene kits which are then distributed to children living in shelters and people in need.

Their second is a Prom Clothing project with a Twist! They are collecting suits, dress shirts, pants and shoes for boys, teens and the NYPD Guardians.

Finally in May they are planning a field trip to City Hall to see their government at work. Are you impressed? I know I am!

And this could be said about all our Builders Club members and clubs no matter where their programs are being held. It only takes a few caring adults to guide and the imagination of our youth to make a difference!
On Feb. 12, the Aktion Club of Waterloo was chartered with 17 members. The Aktion Club of Waterloo is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Seneca Falls-Waterloo with the assistance of the Arc of Seneca Cayuga. The club’s advisor is Wally Cooper and the Kiwanis advisor is Martin Toombs of Seneca Falls-Waterloo Kiwanis.

Joining in the event was New York State Aktion Club Administrator Jaimie Neuringer. She welcomed the club members to Aktion Club, a program which has more than 11,000 members in 14 countries.

The new club members received membership pins and the club officers were installed. The club also was presented with a banner it can use at public events to identify itself.

Also attending were members of the Seneca Falls-Waterloo Kiwanis Club.

On March 27, Metropolitan Lt. Gov. Keith Cummings and Michele Geresi presented an anti-bullying program at Berne-Knox-Westerlo Central Schools in an event sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of the Helderbergs.

Cummings and Geresi made two presentations to middle school and high school students.

Dr. Mark Pitterson, Principal of both schools, thanked them for making the trip and their presentation: “I am extending my gratitude to both you and Keith for driving such a long way from Staten Island to Berne to render such a wonderful and well needed presentation on bullying and the effects of bullying. Your presentation was well received by the students, and I am confident that it will make a tremendous difference. Please pass along my heartfelt thanks to Keith and the Kiwanis International organization on behalf of Berne-Knox-Westerlo School District.”

Peninsula Kiwanis sponsored the Hewlett Basketball Hoops for Hope Basketball game on Jan. 26 to benefit SIBS Place. This is the 15th year of the event and Peninsula Kiwanis has been the major sponsor every year. The event has raised more than $100,000 during this time. Hewlett High School boys and girls teams played the Plainedge High School teams.

SIBSPLACE is a free therapeutic program of South Nassau Communities Hospital. The program serves children ages 5-17 who are living with a sibling with cancer or another devastating illness, or a parent with cancer. SIBSPLACE provides support and attention to the unique experience and needs of the well children as they face the issues and conflicts related to the illness of their loved one.

See the District web site, www.kiwanis-ny.org, for information on upcoming events.
WORK WEEKENDS
& OPEN HOUSE

SERVE TOGETHER WITH THEKIWANIS FAMILY

Opening Work Weekend: May 17th, 18th & 19th
Closing Work Weekend: September 28th, 29th & 30th

OPEN THURSDAY, MAY 17
Work Projects Begin 9:00am
Lunch 12:30pm
Work Day Ends 4:00pm

OPEN FRIDAY, MAY 18
Work Projects Begin 9:00am
Lunch 12:30pm
Work Day Ends 4:00pm

OPEN SATURDAY, MAY 19
Breakfast 8:30am
Work Day Begins 9:00am
Welcome to Kamp 9:30am
Kamp Tours 10:00am
Deductions 11:30am
Lunch 12:00pm
Foundation Board Meeting 1:00pm
Work Day Ends 2:30pm

CLOSE FRIDAY, SEPT. 28
Work Projects Begin 9:00am
Lunch 12:30pm
Get ready for DSSLP 1:30pm
Work Day Ends 4:00pm
Circle K DLSSP Begins-6:00pm

CLOSE SATURDAY, SEPT. 29
DLSSP All Day
Work Parties 10:00am-5:00pm

CLOSE SUNDAY, SEPT. 30
DLSSP Ends 11:00am

PROJECT EXAMPLES
Landscaping
Painting
Firewood processing
Office work
Building Construction
Donation Distribution
Fence repair
Trail Maintenance
Gardening
Deep Cleaning
Lawnmower maintenance
Building repair
Floor cleaning/waxing/etc.
Pond Dam setup and take down

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Applications now filled out ONLINE

This year we will be keeping the same process for acquiring Kamp reservations but our application process has drastically changed. Enclosed in this packet you will find a Club Reservation Form, information on Open House, a Kamp Kiwanis Wish List, one (1) paper application and at least 2 (2) Kamp Online Quick Apps. We prefer you utilize the Quick Apps. A family must fill out a quick application and we at Kamp should receive that as soon as possible so that we may send the family a link, a user name and a password to fill out the application.

THESE MUST BE TIMELY. PLEASE DO NOT KEEP THE QUICK APPS ONCE THEY ARE FILLED IN. SEND THEM BACK TO KAMP AS SOON AS THEY ARE FILLED OUT SO THAT THE FAMILY MAY HAVE ACCESS TO THE ACTUAL APPLICATION.

Please throw away any old forms. NYS Health Dept Regulations change from year to year and new forms have been added. Please do not forget the Club Kamper Reservation Form to assist you in reserving Kamp spots.

We here at Kamp understand that this is a new process and that there will be bumps along the way. We ask that you please be patient with this turn over as it is also new to us and that you call Kamp with any questions. We will be happy to answer them.

We have supplied you with a full paper application for families that do not have access to the internet. Our online application is accessible via PC, tablet or smart phone.

2018 Adult Kamp Fees

The Adult Fees for the 2018 season are $795.00 w/o transportation and $200.00 for transportation which are the same as last year. The total cost per kamper is $995.00 with transportation. A $200.00 deposit is required for all kampers. Adult Kamp is filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Special Needs

If you are sponsoring a kamper with Special Needs, please contact Kamp first. We want to have room for every kamper, but we need to assure that there will be enough staff to service each kamper's needs. We only accept 20 kampers that require extra assistance per week. These spaces fill first.

Kamp Dates

Please note that Child Session 1 begins Sunday July 8 and ends on Saturday July 14. Every session afterward will run from the following Sunday to Saturday and so on until our last session, which runs from Sunday August 12 to Saturday August 18. Our data shows that our first few sessions are the hardest to fill, so this should help you. This year we are offering 2 adult sessions.

Club Reservations

Clubs can begin making reservations now for the 2018 summer season. Enclosed you will find a Club Reservation Form that will assist us here at Kamp to make a solid Kamp Reservation. We are unable to hold a spot without the $200.00 non-refundable deposit per kamper.

Transportation

On the back page of the application is this year's bussing schedule. We will contact each kamper and each club with bus times as soon as we know them which most often is Friday at noon before a Kamp session. Drive-ins times on Sunday are between 3:00pm and 4:00pm and pick-up is between 8:00am and 8:30am on closing day. All divisions that provide Drive-ins will be week 4. If this week is not possible please contact the Kamp.

Health Exam Form

All kamers must submit a Current Health Exam that was completed within the 12 months prior to their attendance at Kamp. All kamers must submit the Kamp's Health Exam Form. Due to State Regulations and American Camp Association requirements, we can not accept alternate health record forms. If a kamper submits an alternate health exam form we may not be able to accept the kamper into Kamp because it may be missing crucial information.

Complete Applications

Please explain to parents/guardians that an application whether online or on paper must be complete in it's entirety. Each blank space leaves us here at Kamp without valuable information that may assist us in providing your kamper the best possible care. We want to provide your kamper with the best times he or she can have away from home building wonderful memories and friendships.

Club Assistance

If you need assistance with anything regarding Kamp Kiwanis, call Rebecca L Clemence Executive Director at 315-336-4568 or DPG David Rothman, Foundation Secretary at 516-318-1585. Thank you for your continued support!!!
Las Vegas Convention is Calling Kiwanians

The 2018 Kiwanis International Convention will take place June 28-July 1 entirely at the Paris and Bally casinos, which are attached. That has been a factor in a registration fee which is much less than in recent years.

The keynote speaker at the opening ceremony will be Rudy Reuttiger, whose career as a Notre Dame University football player was the story behind the 1993 movie "Rudy". Reuttiger is a motivational speaker.

Information on the candidates running, amendments being proposed are available below.

Saturday night's musical event is a concert by Three Dog Night.

Registration begins on Wednesday, June 27. The opening session will take place on Thursday evening and the business session will take place Friday afternoon. The closing session is Saturday afternoon.

Delegate forms are due by April 30. They are available for download on the Kiwanis International web site.

Candidates, Amendments to be Voted On in Las Vegas

Amendment: To clarify that district board endorsement of candidates for the Kiwanis International Board requires pre-approval by the Kiwanis International Board.

Proposed by the Kiwanis International Board.

Amendment: To require that Kiwanis International trustee candidates complete their terms as immediate past governor prior to formally announcing candidacy to Kiwanis International.

Proposed by the Kiwanis International Board.

Amendment: To adopt a new family-membership status that allows a 50 percent dues discount for qualifying members.

Proposed by the Pacific Northwest District, USA.

Administrative Resolution: To revise funding of the Kiwanis International convention by reducing the registration fee and establishing an annual convention assessment for each member; to segregate convention income and expenses in a separate account; to have selected convention functions livestreamed and archived online.

Proposed by the Kiwanis Club of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

If this resolution is adopted in Las Vegas, the Kiwanis International Board would be required to propose the necessary bylaw amendments for consideration by delegates at the 2019 convention, and these concepts would not be implemented unless adopted then.

Elections for the following offices also will take place:

President-elect: (one (1) one-year term to be elected)
Daniel Vigneron, Howald, Luxembourg

Vice President: (one (1) one-year term to be elected)
John E. DeVilbiss, West Alexandria, Ohio, USA
Gary Levine, Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada
Arthur N. Riley, Westminster, Maryland, USA
Terry White, Evansville, Indiana, USA

Trustees: Three (3) trustee offices from North America:
Katrina J. Baranko, Albany, Georgia, USA
Leigh A. Chagnon, Knoxville, Tennessee, USA
Tom Currier, Greenville, South Carolina, USA
George R. Delisle, Westfield, Massachusetts, USA
Steve Emhoff, Yakima, Washington, USA
Ronald E. Smith, Fountain Hills, Arizona, USA

Past Lt. Gov. Barbara Macchiaroli Honored

On March 22 the Amityville Kiwanis club presented its version of Distinguished award to past Lt. Governor Barbara Macchiaroli.

A bit unorthodox perhaps, but Barbara earned the club's admiration and gratitude as 2016-17 lieutenant governor.

Macchiaroli, a member of the Huntington club, attended each and every event Amityville held. She attended the club's regular meetings more times than past lieutenant governors, supported the club's efforts.

The presentation took place at the Suffolk West Division Council meeting.

Barbara Macchiaroli, left, and Amityville President Corine Amico.