Once again we had a successful Mid-Winter Conference. Many Kiwanians attended our forum and our Board of Directors meeting recently.

Camp applications are out. Please complete them and send them to Rebecca at the camp, as soon as possible, to reserve a slot.

As for my last article, we intend to make the camp available to children whose parents are overseas in the military. I wrote to Kiwanis International and they agreed to fund $25,000 towards this endeavor. Speaking with Rebecca, we now have 200 children who have applied. This may involve keeping Kamp Kiwanis open for at least one or maybe two additional weeks.

Unfortunately, the aforementioned $25,000 will only allow us to send 50 of the children to Kamp Kiwanis. WE NEED YOUR HELP IN FUNDING THE OTHER 150 CHILDREN. If you or your club would like to sponsor a child, call Rebecca at the camp. If you know of any banks, businesses, politicians, or VFWs who may be interested, call them and ask for help. I cannot think of a better project or way to help these children who can attend the camp and enjoy themselves for a few weeks.

If we don’t get the money, we may have to refuse some of the children. Look into your hearts.

Thanks to Bruce Brooks, Peter Mietenkorte, and Jerry Ferringer for donating $1,500 each for our Adopt-an-Acre program.

Thanks to the Hewlett Peninsula Club once again for an additional donation of $5,000 towards the Dominick Sciarrota infirmary.

Finally, congratulations to two of our board members, Tony Palangi, who was the honoree at the Circle K Convention, and Mike Malark, the recipient of the distinguished Gerald P. Christiano Award. Mike is not only indispensable at the camp – he was able to send five truckloads of food and clothes to the victims of Hurricane Katrina. If we had to pay for what he donated, it would have cost $1,000,000.

Foundation Board Members Present Reports at Mid-Year Conference

Pete Owens reports on fundraising and the Adopt-an-Acre Program.

Marty Neuringer reports on new collectible Foundation pin fundraising.

Tom Gallagher reports on fundraising and upcoming Fdn.Golf Outing.

Tony Palangi reports on Sponsored Youth projects for Kamp Kiwanis.

Steve Saletto reports on the Kaiser Program and Sai Anelli reports on camp construction.

Maureen Neuringer reports on the Outreach & Coins for Campers Programs.

For $1500 your club can adopt an acre at Kamp Kiwanis and help support our efforts.

Contact Chair Pete Owens for details 516 294-0010.