

Kiwanis Klarion –September 11, 2025



Meetings are 1st, 3rd and 4th Thursdays at noon, 2nd Thursday at 5:30pm At the Clarion Inn, Elmira

Next Meeting -NO MEETING AT NOON
Division Meeting – Willowcreek
2pm – Golf – 5pm Cocktails – 6pm Dinner help with

Tonight's program was our own member Steve Forrest who is retiring as a City Court Judge at the end of the year. The Elmira City Court is in the 6th Judicial District. Steve is an Elmira native graduating from EFA and the Denison College in Ohio and DePaul University Law School. Steve was appointed to the City Court bench in 2007 and elected in 2010. While on the bench he has held assignments such as acting judge of the Chemung County Family Court and of the Chemung County Court. He said that over his career he has tried over 150 criminal court cases as well as any civil court cases.

Steve talked about DNA laws in New York State. In the 1990s the DNA data bank was established and two of the attorneys responsible for the legislation were Jim Hayden from Elmira and William Fitzpatrick Onondaga County DA. The law that created the DNA Databank has been amended multiple times to expand the number of crimes deemed designated offenses, requiring collection of a DNA sample. The latest expansion took effect on August 1, 2012. Effective that date, designated offenses include all New York State law felonies and all Penal Law misdemeanors. There is a \$50 fee for all DNA samples taken in NY. Steve also talked about 2 high profile cases that were able to catch the killer by using Genetic Genealogy. This technique combines DNA analysis with traditional genealogical research to trace familial relationships, providing law enforcement with new avenues for identifying individuals involved in crimes, particularly cold cases. This was used to capture the Golden State Killer in California and The Gilgo Beach killer in Long Island!



Officers 2024-2025

President – Mary Schuehler
President Elect- Steve Seaberg
Vice President – Mark Wayne
Secretary – Alison Mandel
Treasurer – Joe Klaiber
Immediate Past President – Sue Mower

Upcoming Programs:

Sept 18 – Division Meeting – Willowcreek

Sept 25 – Service Project - TBD

October 2 – Installation of Officers 2025-2026

50/50

Pot is at \$63. \$7 went to Steve Mower but he didn't draw the King

Ray's Pay Day was \$75 and would have gone to Tom Bruner if he was there!
Next week it will be \$80

Upcoming Events

Oct 5 – Wineglass Marathon – Volunteers needs for parking in the Centertown Garage in Corning 4:30am-7:00am

Oct 5 – Grist Iron Brewery – Kathy Peris reached out that they need 6-7 volunteers from 12-5 to help with games & scorekeeping. Food & Drinks will be provided to the volunteers, and they will make a donation to the club. If interested, please let Kathy know at 607-259- 6001

Oct 11 – Alzheimer's Walk at Eldridge Park -9am

Happy Dollars –

Steve Forrest – Happy \$20 for the 20 years of meetings that he has missed! We do hope to see you after you retire!

TJ Malone – He was remembering that when we met upstairs and when his father was alive he always had trouble hearing the speaker, but he never had trouble when Steve was speaking! Also, for some missed meetings and that he finally shot his age in golf!

Gordy Schuehler – says that when he shoots his age he still has several holes to play!

Mark Wayne – for the program!

Sue Mower – for the program

Anyone who has not signed up for the division meeting next week needs to let Lt Gov Sue know by Monday morning as we need to give Willowcreek a count on Monday!
\$25 for golf & \$20 for dinner

TICKET SCANNING

Hockey season starts on October 10th. There will be two teams playing at the LECOM Event Center. The Aviators games will be at 7pm and there 28 home games! The Binghamton Buzz will have 21 games, and their games will be at 3pm. We will need 1 or 2 people for the 3pm games and 3-4 for the Aviator games.

Alison Mandel will be reaching out to the team captains to see if they want to continue and then we will send out a schedule. If there are any members that would just want to do the 3pm games and not be on a team – you would need to be at the Arena by 2:30. Please let Alison know - alison.mandel@gmail.com

HOCKEY HOME GAMES FOR OCTOBER – BINGHAMTON BUZZ – 3PM Games

10/10 & 11
10/17 & 18
10/24 & 25
10/31 & 11/1

ELMIRA AVIATORS – 7PM GAMES

10/10 & 11
10/17 & 18
10/24 & 25

