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Members All:

Having just returned from the N. Y. State Fall Conference I am proud to say "Elkdom is Strong in New York State." I heard and experienced so many positive comments regarding the workshops, state reports, the general session and the hospitality you showed to each other and to our special guests. Grand Exalted Ruler Mike Zellen and our First Lady Donna were overwhelmed with the way they were welcomed and made to feel very comfortable. Grand Exalted Ruler Mike was very impressed with the workshops and the direction the N. Y. State Elks are heading. Remember the message we received from our Grand Exalted Ruler Mike and please make sure you are telling your communities of all the great activities and programs we are involved in. Let them know of all the time you devote and the monetary commitments your lodges make to your communities. Be loud and be proud!

As Lisa and I travel the great state of New York, we have been blown away by your enthusiasm and excitement regarding your lodge projects and programs. It has been truly overwhelming. Each and every one of the lodges we have visited has something special to give to its members and the community, and each and every lodge is important to your District, N. Y. State and the Nation. Being an Elk is very rewarding but we do what we do because we are helpers and facilitators and we receive satisfaction from making our home town, and community a better place in which to live. I encourage you to continue to have active committees because if you do, you will continue to have successful lodges. Please keep in mind our top priority, **Membership**. If your committees are strong and your lodges are involved in the community and work well together you will have an organization that others will want to become members of so that they too can enjoy our success. When you have the opportunity, don't forget "**ASK THEM TO JOIN OUR ORDER!**"

Thank you for all of your support and for your hard work in the name of Elkdom. Your efforts are recognized and appreciated. Remember if you Believe it you can Achieve it.

ELKS BELIEVE, ELKS ACHIEVE!

All the Best!

Bill



NYSEA State President William Reedy Jr. Upcoming Visitation Schedule

South Central District	October 14-16, 2016
Northeast District	October 21-23, 2016
West District	November 4-6, 2016
Southwest District	November 11-13, 2016
Southern Tier District	December 2-4, 2016
Fort Drum USO	December 7, 2016
South District	December 9-11, 2016
Central District	December 16-18, 2016
North Central District	January 13-15, 2017
West Central District	February 3-5, 2017
Ontario District	February 10-12, 2017
Southeast District	February 17-19, 2017
NYS Bowling Tournament	March 24-26, 2017
East District	May 5-7, 2017
Spring Convention	May 18-21, 2017



State President William Reedy Jr. had the opportunity to meet new Major Project Ambassador Alexander Marmet at the Fall Conference in White Plains, New York. They are pictured having a conversation in the Ontario District Hospitality Room

