

Comedy Tonight

Men's Club Hosts Funny Man Mark Brier



Comedian Mark Brier

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On Thursday December 14, the North Shore Towers Men's club presented comedian Mark Brier for an evening of comedy. Prior to Mark's performance, President Arnie Rabinowitz informed the membership it had \$12,000 in the Treasury, which means our club will have many good events in the future for the membership and their guest to enjoy. Also, the Board will be accepting applications for membership for the coming year, 2019.

Mark Brier's routine had some interesting and humorous twists to it. He asked the audience to name some past comedians and did imitations of them performing their well-known lines. For example, Henny Youngman's "Take my wife...please!" The names which the audience came up with brought back many happy memories. Some went so far back I thought a few 16th-century court jesters would



Yes, Howard Arkin can dance as well as write!



Dinner Dance at the Swan Club (seated, l. to r.) Bill Quinn, Marilyn Saltzman, Artie and Shirley Rose, Arnie and Terrie Rabinowitz; (standing, l. to r.) Mona and Steve Rosenberg, Rita and Joe DiGiovanni

be mentioned.

Brier is from Long Beach and he asked if anyone was from that area. A few were and they proceeded to go over old times. If he was from the Bronx or Brooklyn, there would have been enough stories to have kept us there all night.

In the past, Brier, who is now retired, played the Borscht Belt circuit, cruise lines, bungalow colonies [remember them?], and libraries. Speaking to Mark before the show, he seemed quite at ease. After all, it's not every day one gets to perform at the "Card Room" in North Shore Towers.

I thought the audience was quit appreciative, and who knows, we might just see Brier again.

Next month's featured Speaker will be Keith Crocker talking about "The life and times of Ed Sullivan."

I'm sure some of us remember Ed. The next Men's Club luncheon will be held at Moonstone Asian Cuisine in Great Neck on January

23, at 12:15 p.m. Moonstone is one of the best north shore Asian restaurants. Please contact Jerry Siegel (347-235-4513) for more info.



Kerrit Thompson and Jared Casden, a couple of our younger members, enjoying our annual Dinner Dance at the Swan Club



We had a terrific lunch at Hibachi Grill in New Hyde Park this month. 20 members enjoyed the time we spent together. Check out next month's luncheon at Moonstone in Great Neck. Don't be shut out. Call Jerry Siegel (516-884-4001)