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**KING OF THE HIGH WIRE NIK WALLEDA AT CONEY ISLAND JUNE 26 – JULY 5**  
**Death-defying Act among Highlights of 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Balloon Glow**

Cincinnati, OH (June 16, 2010) – Nik Wallenda, of the legendary Great Wallendas and the Guinness world-record holder for the longest distance and greatest height ever traveled by bicycle on a high wire, will bring his thrilling high-wire act to Coney Island from Saturday, June 26 through Monday, July 5. For ten days, Nik, known as “King of the High Wire,” and his family will amaze audiences daily with their high-flying antics above Sunlite Pool. In addition, Mike the Clown will be on hand to entertain children of all ages with his wacky and zany antics. The Wallenda Family Thrill Show is presented by Fresh Gourmet Salad Toppers, Litehouse Salad Dressings and NatureSweet Tomatoes, together ... helping you build the perfect summer salad!

Each afternoon, with the exception of July 4, Nik Wallenda will have audiences on the edge of their seats as he walks the entire width (200 feet) of Sunlite Pool on a 5/8” rope, five stories above the pool without any safety devices. In separate shows each day, the Wallendas will excite fans as they sway back and forth on slender, skyscraping, swaying poles. This act also features an unbelievable and risky swaypole exchange, where they will actually exchange poles in mid air.

Nik Wallenda is the seventh generation of Wallendas that has entertained audiences all around the world. His precision, athletic skills and fearlessness in his blood can be traced back to his Wallenda roots as early as 1780. In the cafes of Old Bohemia in the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the ancestral Wallenda family traveled as circus troupe of acrobats, jugglers, clowns, aerialists and animal trainers with the next two generations adding the flying trapeze. In recent years, Nik and his wife, Erendira, have been producing and performing shows specifically for amusement park audiences around the world.

**Show times:**

June 26 & 27: Highwire = 1 pm, 3 pm & 5 pm; Swaypoles = 2 pm, 4 pm and 6 pm

June 28 – July 2: Highwire = 2 pm & 4 pm; Swaypoles = 3 pm & 5 pm.

**July 3 (Balloon Glow):** Highwire = 3 pm, 5 pm and 7:30 pm; Swaypoles = 2 pm, 4 pm & 6:30 pm

July 4: No shows

July 5: Highwire = 1 pm, 3 pm & 5 pm; Swaypoles = 2 pm, 4 pm and 6 pm

Sunlite Pool opens at 10 am each day. For more information about Nik Wallenda, visit <http://nikwallenda.com> and for ticket prices and additional information, visit [www.coneyislandpark.com](http://www.coneyislandpark.com).