

## Thursday, August 14, 2025

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<b>Conference Registration</b> <i>Location: Avon/Simsbury Hallway</i>
6:00 PM	<b>Hartford Yard Goats baseball game</b> <i>Gates open at 6:00 PM, first pitch at 7:10pm</i>

## Friday, August 15, 2025

7:45 AM – 4:00 PM	<b>Conference Registration (closed between 11:45am - 1:30pm)</b> <i>Location: Avon/Simsbury Hallway</i>
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	<b>Exhibits and Silent Auction</b> <i>Location: Ballroom Hallway and 2nd Floor Hallway</i>
8:45 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>Opening Session</b> Join us for the official opening of the 2025 District Convention! Hear from District leadership about all the happenings of the conference as well as recognize some amazing Kiwanians for their work this year. <i>Location: Amelia's</i>
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>2025-2026 Lieutenant Governor Training</b> This is required training for those elected to serve as Lieutenant Governors on the 2025-2026 District Board. This session is especially for first time LTG's but all LTG's for the upcoming year are welcome. <i>Presenters: District Leaders</i> <i>Location: Parsons</i>
9:45 AM – 10:35 AM	<b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b> <b>Welcome First Time Attendees</b> Whether it is your first time attending a conference or your 20th, come find out what fun and exciting things are happening this weekend as well as brush up on a little Kiwanis 101! <i>Presenter: Kristin Holden, Kiwanis Club of Middletown (CT)</i> <i>Location: McLean</i>
9:45 AM – 10:35 AM	<b><u>PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT</u></b> <b>Show Us Your Hobby</b> Come to this workshop to learn how other Kiwanians spend their free time and even share your hobby with others. <i>Presenter: John Falconer, Kiwanis Club of Colebrook (NH)</i> <i>Location: Grasso</i>
9:45 AM – 10:35 AM	<b><u>LEADERSHIP</u></b> <b>Leadership and Kiwanis</b> Whether on the club, division, or district level, learn the tools you'll need to lead with strength, compassion, and vision. <i>Presenter: Emily Saalfrank, Area Director, Kiwanis International</i> <i>Location: Seminar</i>

10:45 AM – 11:35 AM	<p><b><u>DISTRICT OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Dues and the District's Future</b></p> <p>Dues and membership are tightly woven together. Participate in a discussion about what is needed to minimize future increase potentials and to proactively plan for the District's future.</p> <p><i><u>Presenters:</u> Bart Stevens, Kiwanis Club of Greater Waterville (ME) and Tim McMahon, Kiwanis Club of Presque Isle (ME)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> McLean</i></p>
10:45 AM – 11:35 AM	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Scholarships Rountables</b></p> <p>An informative and sharing session for clubs that offer scholarships or thinking about offering them. Examples from four different clubs will be presented then move into a roundtable discussion.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Jim Roehm, Kiwanis Club of Newport (RI)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Grasso</i></p>
10:45 AM – 11:35 AM	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Perfect Partners: Kiwanis and Boys &amp; Girls Clubs</b></p> <p>Discover how your club can team up with your local Boys &amp; Girls club to establish SLP's, service projects, and charitable opportunities that create a lasting partnership to help kids!</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Bill Parks, Boys &amp; Girls Club CEO, Kiwanis Club of Westfield (MA)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Seminar</i></p>
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	<p><b>Luncheon</b></p> <p>Come hear from Mel Cordner, Director and Founder of QPlus, one of two charities Governor Kristin Holden has been raising funds for this year.</p> <p><i>Ticketed event</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Windsor Locks Ballroom</i></p>
1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Risk Management</b></p> <p>Come learn more about how your club can and should keep an eye toward safety during your fundraisers and activities. There's a lot to know about what is covered by insurance, what is excluded, what needs a waiver, and how to report a claim.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Matt Barrett, Kiwanis Club of Hooksett (NH)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> McLean</i></p>
1:30 PM – 2:20 PM	<p><b><u>MEMBERSHIP</u></b></p> <p><b>Membership: It's More than Just Asking</b></p> <p>Are you and your club ready to add members? Retain those members that you have? It's rewarding work, and an important part of being a Kiwanian. Come and learn more about membership.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Tim McMahon, Kiwanis Club of Presque Isle (ME)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Grasso</i></p>
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<p><b>2024-2025 District Board Meeting with Governor Kristin Holden</b></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Seminar</i></p>

<b>2:30 PM – 3:20 PM</b>	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Club Bylaws</b></p> <p>Learn about the recent changes to Club Standard Bylaws that your Club needs to adopt and review key bylaw provisions your Club should be following.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> David Wyskiel, Kiwanis Club of Meriden (CT)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> McLean</i></p>
<b>2:30 PM – 3:20 PM</b>	<p><b><u>CLUB DEVELOPMENT</u></b></p> <p><b>We're All in this Together: Team Building</b></p> <p>Creating an effective team takes equal parts commitment, insight, and magic. Learn how to build a strong and sustainable club by identifying the right role for each member and keeping them engaged.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Amanda Waterfield, Kiwanis Club of Westfield (MA)</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Grasso</i></p>
<b>2:30 PM – 3:30 PM</b>	<p><b>Kiwanis Foundation of New England Board Meeting</b></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Seminar</i></p>
<b>3:30 PM – 4:20 PM</b>	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Storytelling that Inspires: How to Talk about Kiwanis So People Listen</b></p> <p>An interactive workshop on shaping and sharing compelling stories about your impact.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Emily Saalfrank, Area Director, Kiwanis International</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Grasso</i></p>
<b>3:30 PM – 4:20 PM</b>	<p><b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Kiwanis Engage</b></p> <p>Kiwanis Engage is the new online management system that has replaced Kiwanis Connect. Officers will use it for reporting monthly activities; it also can be used by all members to update their information. All are welcome at this informational workshop.</p> <p><i><u>Presenter:</u> Elyse Denorfia, eKiwanis Club of New England and Bermuda</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Seminar</i></p>
<b>3:30 PM – 5:00 PM</b>	<p><b>2025-2026 Lieutenant Governor Training</b></p> <p>The afternoon session continues the required training from the morning for those elected to serve as Lieutenant Governors on the 2025-2026 District Board. Attendance is for all LTG's.</p> <p><i><u>Presenters:</u> District Leaders</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Parsons</i></p>
<b>6:00 PM – 7:00 PM</b>	<p><b>Cocktail Hour</b></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Ballroom Hallway</i></p>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<p><b>2024 - 2025 District Board Retirement Dinner</b></p> <p><i>Ticketed Event</i></p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Windsor Locks Ballroom</i></p>
<b>30 mins following dinner</b>	<p><b>Magic! by Dave Wyskiel</b></p> <p>Magical entertainment with a few laughs thrown in.</p> <p><i><u>Location:</u> Amelia's</i></p>

## Saturday, August 16, 2025

7:45 AM – 11:45 PM	<b>Conference Registration</b> <u>Location:</u> Avon/Simsbury Hallway
9:00 AM – 8:00 PM	<b>Exhibits and Silent Auction</b> <u>Location:</u> Ballroom Hallway and Second Floor Hallway
7:00 AM – 8:30 AM	<b>Memorial Breakfast</b> This breakfast honors Kiwanis members who have passed away over the past year. <i>Ticketed Event</i> <u>Location:</u> Windsor Locks Ballroom
9:00 AM – 9:50 AM	<b><u>CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION</u></b> <b>Membership Chair Training</b> Learn the “ins and outs” of being an effective Membership Chair to recruit and retain members in your club. Your attendance in this training provides credit with KI towards your clubs’ ability to receive “Distinguished” criteria for the 2025-2026 year. <u>Presenter:</u> George Delisle, Kiwanis Club of Westfield (MA) <u>Location:</u> McLean
9:00 AM – 9:50 AM	<b><u>CLUB OPERATIONS</u></b> <b>Youth Protection</b> Kiwanis Advisors to SLP clubs and other Kiwanis members who interact with youth are required to stay up to date on Youth Protection training. Learn what is annually required at a “train the trainer” workshop. <u>Presenter:</u> Dawn Fitzgerald, Kiwanis Club of Malden (MA) <u>Location:</u> Grasso
9:00 AM – 9:50 AM	<b><u>CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION</u></b> <b>Club Secretaries</b> Attend this training to learn the role of club secretary and prepare for your year. We will also review the new Kiwanis Engage club management platform. Your attendance in this training provides credit with KI towards your clubs’ ability to receive “Distinguished” criteria for the 2025-2026 year. <u>Presenter:</u> Elyse Denorfia, eKiwanis Club of New England and Bermuda <u>Location:</u> Seminar
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Past Lieutenant Governor’s Committee Meeting</b> <u>Location:</u> Amelia’s
9:00 AM until finished	<b>Hands-on Service Project</b> Join the eKiwanis Club of New England and Bermuda to fill backpacks for local children. <u>Location:</u> Parsons
10:00 AM – 10:50 AM	<b><u>CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION</u></b> <b>How to be the Most Effective Club President</b> Delve into the essential responsibilities of effective leadership within Kiwanis. You’ll learn how to develop a vision for your club, create strategic plans, and set achievable goals. Your attendance in this training provides credit with KI towards your clubs’ ability to receive “Distinguished” criteria for the 2025-2026 year. <u>Presenter:</u> Adam Wright, Kiwanis Club of Westfield (MA) <u>Location:</u> McLean

<b>10:00 AM – 10:50 AM</b>	<b><u>SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS</u></b> <b>Aktion Club</b> Learn about Aktion Club, the steps to open one in your community, and service projects to do with them. <i><u>Presenter:</u> Gerry Lozeau, Kiwanis Club of Hanson (MA)</i> <i><u>Location:</u> Grasso</i>
<b>10:00 AM – 10:50 AM</b>	<b><u>CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION</u></b> <b>Club Treasurer</b> Learn the role of treasurer and prepare for your year. Attendance provides credit with KI and towards your clubs' ability to receive Your attendance in this training provides credit with KI towards your clubs' ability to receive "Distinguished" criteria for the 2025-2026 year. <i><u>Presenter:</u> Heather Archibald, Kiwanis Club of Lee (MA)</i> <i><u>Location:</u> Seminar</i>
<b>10:00 AM – 11:00 PM</b>	<b>Past Governor's Committee Meeting</b> <i><u>Location:</u> Boardroom</i>
<b>11:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Meet the Candidates</b> Hear from and ask questions of candidates for District Governor and Governor-elect and learn about the proposed dues amendment to the District Bylaws. Attendance is strongly encouraged for club delegates (three per club) who will vote on candidates and proposed amendments during the House of Delegates. <i><u>Location:</u> Amelia's</i>
<b>12:00 PM – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Kiwanis Foundation of New England Luncheon</b> KFNE will spotlight the important work we have accomplished through our District Foundation and hear from Kevin Borrup, Executive Director of Injury Prevention Center, Office for Community Health at Connecticut Children's Hospital speak about priorities for pediatric injury prevention and highlight some of the hospital's ongoing work. <i><u>Ticketed Event</u></i> <i><u>Location:</u> Windsor Locks Ballroom</i>
<b>1:30 PM – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>House of Delegates</b> Election of 2025-2026 District Governor and Governor-elect and voting on a proposed dues amendment to the District Bylaws. Open to three voting delegates per club. Delegate registration must be completed prior to the House of Delegates session. Non-delegates will be admitted to the designated seating area. <i><u>Location:</u> Amelia's</i>
<b>Following House of Delegates</b>	<b>Your Input, Our Future: A Conversation with Governor-elect Adam</b> Join incoming Governor Adam for an open conversation about what's working, what's not, and how Kiwanis can be the best experience for its members. This is your opportunity to share feedback, offer ideas, and help shape the future direction of our organization. <i><u>Location:</u> Amelia's</i>
<b>5:30 PM – 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Private Reception for the 2025-2026 District Board</b> <i><u>Location:</u> Parsons</i>
<b>6:00 PM – 7:00 PM</b>	<b>District Cocktail Hour</b> Cash bar and hors d'oeuvres <i><u>Location:</u> Ballroom Hallway</i>

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	<b>2025-2026 District Board Installation Dinner</b> <i>Ticketed Event</i> <u>Location:</u> Windsor Locks Ballroom
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<b>Sunday, August 17, 2025</b>	
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>2025-2026 Kiwanis District Board Meeting</b> <u>Location:</u> Amelia's