

**New Club Building**

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We started the 2012-13 administrative year at a membership deficit of -308 (7,712 to 7,404). I am happy to report that our deficit after nearly 6 months is down to about -191 (7,521) thanks to all of your hard work asking men and women to join the BEST service organization in the world -- Kiwanis!

We have many programs, or initiatives, to help grow clubs, divisions and the NY District.

Have you checked-out the programs that we have? Distinguished Kiwanian, Think 39, Interclub Contest, New Club Building, Retention ideas and Revitalizations ideas? We have District Chairs for all of these programs. You can check them out on our District web page and obtain many of the forms on the web page as well.

To date, we have only built one new Kiwanis club (Bethpage), but several are in the works. Governor Al Norato and I am confident that the new clubs will be formed before the end of the administrative year on September 30. I hope you will work with your Division

Lt. Governor and the Division New Club Building team to complete the new clubs. If you have a new club site, feel free to contact me and I will get our New Club Building District team to help make it happen.

Remember, more membership means more people available for your club to perform service to help children in your community, the division, the District and the World!

That is what we are all about.

So, take the INITIATIVE to bring a member in, participate in a growth initiative program, help build a new club (we only need 15 now to form a new club) and encourage your club members to do the same. Have contest, make a challenge, and do your best!

## Clubs Must Adopt New Standard Form for Club Bylaws

In October of 2012 Kiwanis International made many changes to the Standard Form for Club Bylaws.

Most changes were designed to provide clubs with more options for how they operate and provide service to their communities.

Also changed was the procedure used for clubs to update their bylaws. Previously it had been a paper-based system,

with bylaws submitted to Kiwanis International and reviewed before they were accepted.

The new procedure is entirely online. Clubs will complete their bylaws on the Kiwanis One web site ([www.kiwanisone.org](http://www.kiwanisone.org)) and they will be maintained there for future reference by clubs and by Kiwanis International.

The online application was recently completed and is now ready for clubs to access and utilize.

All clubs need to complete the new bylaws, choosing the options that are available.

More information, some Frequently Asked Questions and a PDF version of the bylaws clubs can use for review are all available on the KiwanisOne web site.

Clubs are expected to submit their updated bylaws on the new form by the end of the 2013-14 administrative year, Sept. 30, 2014.

## Women in Kiwanis Shirts Available

Shirts celebrating 25 Years of Women in Kiwanis are available for sale through the district web site, [www.kiwanis-ny.org](http://www.kiwanis-ny.org).

The Women in Kiwanis logo is printed in white on a pink shirt.

No more of the shirts will be made, so once the supply is exhausted they will no longer be available.

## District Convention is Aug. 15-18

The 2013 District Convention will take place at the RIT Inn and Conference Center in Henrietta, just south of Rochester and adjoining the Thruway.

The annual event is when district business will take place, including the election of Governor-Elect and Governor for 2013-14, and voting on any district bylaw admendments which are proposed.

Two candidates have announced they will be seeking the post of Governor-Elect.

Candace Corsaro, past Lt. Gov. of the Niagara North division, and Eric Paul, Lt. Gov. of the Niagara South division, will be seeking election to the post.

Gov.-Elect Joseph Aiello will be the only candidate for the office of Governor for 2013-14.

Registration is open now for the convention. Online registration is encouraged and provides an option to pay online or register online and then mail in your payment. See the district web site at [www.kiwanis-ny.org/dc/](http://www.kiwanis-ny.org/dc/) for more information.

Online registration ends Aug. 11; all registrations after that need to be done on-site.

Delegate forms must be filed by July 18. Clubs are entitled to three delegates each.

More convention information will be published in the July ESK.

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## 2012-13 Events

**May 16-18, 2013:**

Kamp Kiwanis Work Days and Open House

**June 26-30, 2013:**

International Convention, Vancouver, British Columbia

**Aug. 15-18, 2013:**

District Convention, RIT Conference Center, Henrietta