

# 2017 District Convention, Aug. 24-27

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"Welcome to Lake Placid!"

I look forward to saying those words to all of you travelling from the corners of our great district to attend this year's district convention. This historic Olympic Village will amaze you with its beauty and I'm hoping you have already registered and booked your hotel.

Registration fees will increase July 16. On July 24 the hotels can open up any rooms that have not been reserved by Kiwanians to anyone else, so make sure you reserve your room today! Information is available on the district web site.

There is so much to do in the Lake Placid region that I am hoping that everyone can come a day or two early to see as many of the amazing sites as possible.

My top priority to visitors is to drive up Whiteface Memorial Highway - the only mountain in the area that you can drive up and then take an elevator to the top (4,865 feet). For the more adventurous types, you can also walk up or down the mountain after parking your car.

There are also the numerous Olympic venues -- you can hop on a bobsled and make your way down the track (with a driver and brakeman) and reach speeds of 55 mph. Visit the Lake Placid Museum or the Olympic Jumping Complex, where you can tour the facility and take the elevator to the Skydeck at the top of the jumps (120 feet).

For those looking for more casual sight-seeing, take a gondola ride to the top of Little Whiteface, take gorgeous photographs at the observation deck at 3,676 feet and then settle in for a picnic. For more information on these activities, go to: <http://www.lakeplacid.com/do/activities/olympic-sites>

If you prefer staying closer to our hotels, there are plenty of quaint shops on Main Street as well as the incredibly beautiful Mirror Lake, that you can walk around (2.7 miles), or rent a kayak, canoe, or stand up paddleboard.

Whether you choose to visit as many sites as possible or just enjoy the scenery of Mirror Lake, I doubt that any Kiwanian will go home without a smile on their face from this amazing place that we in the Adirondacks are lucky enough to call home!

See you in August!

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## District Convention Schedule

*Tentative Schedule, Subject to Change*

### Wednesday, Aug. 23

Early Check-in..... 4 p.m.

### Thursday, Aug. 24

Registration and Credentials ..... 2-6 p.m.  
2016-17 Board Meeting ..... 1-4 p.m.  
Welcoming Reception ..... 6:30-7:15 p.m.  
2016-17 Board Dinner (by invitation only) ..... 7:30-9 p.m.  
Past Governors Dinner ..... 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, Aug. 25

Past Governors Breakfast and Council (\$25) ..... 7-9 a.m.  
Exhibits and Baskets ..... 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Registration/Credentials ..... 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Pediatric Lyme Disease Foundation Board Meeting ..... 9-9:50 a.m.  
Forums (see page 6) ..... 9-11:15 a.m.  
2016-17 Finance Committee Meeting ..... 10-10:30 a.m.  
Veteran's Luncheon (\$25) ..... 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
District Foundation Annual Meeting and Elections ..... 2-3:30 p.m.  
Convention Honoree Reception ..... 4-5 p.m.  
Past Governors' Boards Reunion Dinners ..... 5:30-7:30 p.m.  
Opening Session ..... 8-10 p.m.  
Hospitality Rooms ..... 10 p.m.

### Saturday, Aug. 26

Recognition Breakfast (\$20) ..... 7:30-8:30 a.m.  
Exhibits and Baskets ..... 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Registration/Credentials ..... 9 a.m.-noon  
Forums (see page 6) ..... 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Past Lt. Governors Meeting ..... 11:30 a.m.-Noon  
Lunch on Your Own ..... Noon  
Caucuses ..... 12:30-2 p.m.  
House of Delegates ..... 2:30-4:30 p.m.  
Gala Governor's Reception (with Dinner Ticket) ..... 6-7 p.m.  
Governor's Toast (by invitation) ..... 6:45 p.m.  
Governor's Celebration Dinner (\$60) ..... 7 p.m.  
Hospitality Rooms ..... 10 p.m.

### Sunday, Aug. 27

Memorial Breakfast (\$20) ..... 8-9:30 a.m.  
Installation of Officers ..... 10-11:30 a.m.  
2017-18 Board Luncheon (by invitation) ..... Noon-2 p.m.

See the District Web Site, [www.kiwanis-ny.org](http://www.kiwanis-ny.org), for the latest schedule.

## Bylaw Amendment Proposals To Be Considered

During the House of Delegates, a proposed bylaw amendment submitted by the Kiwanis Club of North Central, Staten Island, will be considered, as will several housekeeping changes which have been requested by Kiwanis International.

Go to the district web site to see the housekeeping proposals. Further changes in the wording may occur as a result of pending review by Kiwanis International.

The North Central's proposal affects how dues are allocated.

Here is the proposal:

*The North Central Kiwanis Club moves to amend Article X, Section I of the New York District of Kiwanis International By Law by inserting that:*

*"\$5.00 (five) US Dollars from the \$24.00 (twenty-four) US Dollars paid by members' dues be restricted to The Empire State Kiwanian. This restricted fund shall not exceed after all expenses are paid a surplus of \$10,000.00. Any surplus/excess shall be duly deposited into the general fund. This amendment shall become effective October 1, 2017."*