

# Tucker Picked to Lead 2006-07 team

**Kiwanis International Convention, Montreal, Canada** – Two-time distinguished club president Nelson Tucker becomes President of Kiwanis International, effective October 1, 2006. Delegates attending the 92nd International Convention and President Steve Siemens congratulated Nelson Tucker as the Northridge, California, Kiwanian was introduced at the Montréal convention as the organization's 2006-07 President. Adding their applause are Vice-President-designate Don Canaday and President-Elect-designate Dave Curry.

Annual International Convention in Montréal, Québec, this past July elected the Northridge, California, Kiwanian as the organization's next worldwide leader, joining seven other new and returning International Board officers and Trustees.



**Nelson Tucker, 2006-07 Kiwanis International President**

In addition to serving twice as a distinguished club president, Nelson was 1996-97 governor of the California-Nevada-Hawaii District, a distinguished lieutenant governor, and has sponsored more than 300 men and women into Kiwanis clubs. He joined the International Board in 2001 as a Trustee.

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are available on the New York Kiwanis web site, as well as pages 12 and 15 of the ESK.

A final reminder; Club election report forms are overdue. Thank you to those who have sent them in. If you have not as yet done so you should get them in immediately. We are putting together the Division Pages for the Joe's Heroes Directory. This information is vital to that publication.

You will be contacted soon about the dates for Club Leadership Training in your Division. Please plan to attend this session as many new facets have been added to the program. This is especially true for long tenured Secretaries. You will want to be brought up to date on the new activities.

I hope to see you all in Saratoga.

## Eat, Drink and be Merry



**Governor David and First Lady Debra welcome New York Kiwanians to their room for some treats, drinks and good old-fashioned New York Fellowship in Montreal during the 2006 International Convention. Looks like fun!**



**David A. Curry, Kiwanis International President Elect.**

Also elected in Montréal were:

- President-Elect: **David A. Curry**, a 17-year member of the Silver Bow, Butte, Montana, Kiwanis club. He earned distinguished status as a club president (1995-96), lieutenant governor (1997-98), and Montana District governor (1999-2000). In 2001, he was elected a Kiwanis International Trustee.



**Donald R. Canaday, Kiwanis International Vice-President.**

- Vice-President: **Donald R. Canaday**, who earned distinguished status as charter president of the Kiwanis Club of Meridian Hills, Indianapolis in 1969. He is a former member and distinguished past president of the Lawrence, Indiana, and Chena-Fairbanks, Alaska, Kiwanis clubs. He also served as 1997-98 governor of the Indiana District.

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- Region I (United States) Trustees: A. **Alan Penn** of the Medina Breakfast, Ohio, club; **Donald J. Sanker** of the Penn Hills, Pennsylvania, club; and **Stan L. Storey** of the Arlington, Jacksonville, Florida, club.

- Region II (Eastern Canada and the Caribbean District and Western Canada District) Trustee: Roy S. Bird, of the Edmonton, Alberta, club, was elected to this three-year term at the Western Canada District Convention in August 2005.

- Region III (Europe) Trustee: Theodor "Theo" Riesen of the Bern-Aare, Switzerland, club, was elected to this three-year term at the Kiwanis International-European Federation Convention this past May.

## Delegates Endorse Member Goal

Kiwanis will have 1 million members before its 100th birthday on January 21, 2015.

The goal is written into Kiwanis International's strategic plan, and it is the target on which North American, European, Asia-Pacific, and Latin American regional strategies focus. Now, Kiwanis clubs have expressed support of the membership goal too.

Representatives from clubs worldwide, participating in the House of Delegates at the 91st International Convention in Montréal, Québec, endorsed the 1-million-members goal with the passage of a resolution titled "One Million Members by 2015."

The resolution notes that Kiwanis volunteers are changing the world one child and one community at a time and that the strength and effectiveness of this service depends on the strength and effectiveness of the organization's membership. "To change the world by serving more children and more communities, Kiwanis membership must grow to meet tomorrow's needs," the resolution states.

According to Kiwanis International's strategic plan, the organization emphasizes three routes to its 1-million-members destination: Build on the current Kiwanis, adding members and enhancing traditional-style clubs; expand into communities and nations where Kiwanis is under-represented or does not yet exist; and explore new styles of clubs and memberships.

Delegates backed up the resolution with their approval of a Bylaws amendment, which grants a one-year dues reprieve for news members for clubs that experience membership gains of 25 percent or higher.

"This is the new type of thinking that will help Kiwanis achieve its 1 million-members goal by January 2015," says International President Steve Siemens of the proposal submitted by the Kiwanis Club of Alpine, Rockford, Illinois.

Other actions and decisions during the House of Delegates:

### Approved:

- An amendment to change the office of International Vice-President/Treasurer to Vice-President.

- An amendment to expand the definition of conduct unbecoming a member of the Kiwanis International Board to all Kiwanis International officers, including district governors.

### Failed:

- A proposal to allow flexibility in the composition of club boards of directors by setting board size at 10 percent of a club's membership.

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## Governor

David Rothman

The New York District has a lot to be thankful for. Recently over three hundred members attended the International convention in Montreal. The theme for the convention was about the need for change for our continued growth to 1 million members as we celebrate our 100th anniversary in 2015. International First Lady Barb Siemens opened the convention by telling of her experience while visiting our Kamp Kiwanis. She mentioned about the mural outside of Governors Hall and the caption below that "change begins here." It made us all proud, but what made us even shine more was when she continued her story. Several weeks later, while back home in Iowa, attending a membership roundup she was introduced to a woman who was joining Kiwanis because of an experience earlier in her life. Thirty plus years ago, while growing up in New York, her local Kiwanis club sent her to Kamp Kiwanis for three consecutive weeks and she never forgot her kamp experience. To borrow a phrase from International Trustee Tom DeJulio, we "touched her life" and she is now in a position to give back and join the K family to touch someone else's life. What a great story! Thanks to your continued support, as you read this, our Kamp is once again providing a positive camping experience to hundreds of needy and special needs children.

Our District convention is approaching rapidly. Please get your reservations early. You will note that it will take place in September, something that hasn't been done in over twenty years. The convention honoree will be New York District Foundation President Lindy Marrazzo. Lindy does so much without looking for any recognition. Congratulations Lindy! Beware there will be some surprises at the convention. One special event I will tell you about is scheduled for Friday evening. It will be a "nite at the races," using Kiwanians as the horses – more information to follow. I wish all of our candidates well in there respective elections. Debra and I would like to thank each and everyone of you for your gracious hospitality. We have had much pleasure visiting this great district of ours. I would like to thank all of those people that helped make the International Convention a success.

In the last few weeks we have lost some very hard working members of our K family. Our deepest sympathy to their families, they will forever be in our hearts.

By now all club dues should have been paid. If you are not sure if your club has paid their dues please contact the New York District Office. If they have not been paid, the club will not be in good standing and will not be able to vote at convention.

Lastly, on a very serious note the New York District is being asked once again, to come to the aide of fellow Kiwanians in the lower southern tier of our district. Several weeks

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