Kiwanis International Update

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The Eliminate Project

Be prepared

Kiwanis International’s new global campaign for children, The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus, aims to protect 129 million mothers and their future babies from the deadly disease of tetanus. Tetanus kills one baby every nine minutes. Here’s what all members can do now to support The Eliminate Project:

- Educate yourself and your club about maternal/neonatal tetanus.
- Prepare and strengthen your club to take on this new challenge.
- Visit www.TheEliminateProject.org for more information and to sign up for e-mail updates.

The Eliminate Project will kickoff at the 96th Annual Kiwanis International Convention in Geneva. Don’t miss this special event!
The Eliminate Project
Church-goers

UNICEF and governments around the world have been working together to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. Uganda, for example, is battling the painful killer with an innovative tactic described in the story below. However, 40 nations, including Uganda, have not yet defeated MNT. In 2011, Kiwanis will join the fight, teaming with UNICEF in The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal and neonatal tetanus.

The daily workload of a young Ugandan woman leaves little time to visit a health care clinic to receive a much-needed tetanus vaccination. So UNICEF brought vaccines to the only place the women were sure to visit regularly and have any free time: Sunday church.

Thanks to outreach and educational efforts by the UNICEF-trained “village health teams” in this and other areas, UNICEF and its partners are on track to eliminate tetanus from Uganda by the end of the year. Read more (English) about UNICEF’s work in Uganda.

Kiwanis story - Colombia
Welcome to CKI

Circle K International has announced the formation of the Andean and Central American District (DACA). The new district gathered in Villavicencio, Colombia, at Hotel Villa Valeria Suites this past August for its first convention.

Share your Kiwanis success story.

Convention update
Registration is now open

Online registration is now open for the 96th Annual Kiwanis Convention in Geneva, Switzerland.

1. Check out the pre- and post-convention tours—as well as the daily tours. Whether you live in Europe or will be
visiting, Kiwanis' official tour partner, Kuoni Travel, has planned a variety of adventures to please everyone. Choose your tour, then plan your stay, make your travel arrangements and book your hotel accordingly.

2. Exercise your voting rights. Ask your club to elect you as one of its representatives to the House of Delegates.
3. Urge fellow Kiwanians to go with you. Your club is allowed two delegates and two alternates. Plus, you'll want to share experience Geneva with your friends.

When you're ready, register and book your hotel. The early registration fee of US$350 is available up to January 31, 2011.

**Convention update**

**Complimentary tour**

Book your room with the official Kiwanis tour operator, Kuoni Travel, and you're all set to see Annecy—the Venice of the Alps. That's because your 2011 Kiwanis International convention hotel package includes a complimentary half-day trip to this popular French resort.

Officially classified as a "town of history and art," Annecy is located on the second largest lake in France, facing some of the most outstanding mountain scenery in the world.

Online convention registration and hotel bookings are available now at [www.KiwanisOne.org/convention](http://www.KiwanisOne.org/convention), where you'll find other tour opportunities.

**Convention update**

**All tours will go**

Kuoni Travel, Kiwanis’ official convention tour provider, has announced that there no longer is a minimum number of participants for its tours. All tours listed on the convention website will operate.
Foundation

Smile makers

The Kiwanis Club of Mandeville Northshore, Louisiana, is keeping smiles on the faces of the poorest children in Granada, Nicaragua. The club operates dental clinics to provide preventive and restorative dentistry, as well as dental hygiene lessons for children. And the need is great: During one week, a clinic saw 50 6- to 8-year-old children, of which only three were cavity-free. The remaining children had an average of 12 cavities each.

The program, called Keep Dentistry Alive, received funds totaling US$18,000 from the Kiwanis International Foundation to help cover operating expenses for the next three years during which clinics hope to reach 5,000 children in the area.
Paradise and poverty

If you take a one-hour flight from Manila to Dumaque City and then drive about three hours around the southern coast of the Philippines' Negros Oriental province, you'll find a hammock swaying between two palm trees over a soft tan sand with a panoramic view of the Sulu Sea. This is paradise.

If you get up from your hammock and walk a few minutes up the highway, you'll reach a side road that leads up back toward the sea and into a small fishing village. Children will pour out of the surrounding palm-thatch homes, run up to you, smile and hold your hands. A mother may grab her two youngsters and give them a quick spit bath so they're more presentable for their visitors. There are few men, for most are fishing, earning about $1 per day for their families. This is poverty.

This past June, four Kiwanis-family members traveled to the Philippines—this land where paradise and poverty are neighbors—on a site visit for The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal and neonatal tetanus. Read about their experiences in the October 2010 issue of KIWANIS magazine in digital or pdf format.

Get the right tools for the job

The September 2010 issue of Kiwanis International Update provided the wrong link for online Club Leadership Education resources. The correct link is:

These self-guided tutorials are ready whenever you are and are specific to each position: secretary/treasurer, president, membership chairmen, lieutenant governors and—new this year—board members. The new board member module includes Roberts Rules of Order, basic board function and structure,
knowledge that will be helpful in running smooth, productive meetings. Log on as often as you like to use this information as a resource.

- [https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx)

**Member tools**

**Treats for world's children**

Builders Club and Key Club members soon will dress up as vampires, princesses or just themselves to collect donations for the U.S. Fund for UNICEF. Kiwanis clubs are encouraged to get in the Halloween spirit and help their Builders and Key Club members with their Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF fundraisers. Learn more ([Key Club](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx) or [Builders Club](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx)).

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**Tools for you**

You don't have to be a club president or secretary to use Kiwanis' online [leadership resources](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx). There are numerous learning opportunities for all members, including information about using Roberts Rules of Order, understanding basic board functions and Kiwanis structure and finding club membership chairman resources.

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**Dates to remember**

**October/November:** Check out October and November's [webinar](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx) schedule (English)

**October 1:** New Kiwanis year begins.

**November:** Kiwanis Family Month

**April 2, 2011:** [Kiwanis One Day](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx)

**July 7-10, 2011:** [Kiwanis International Convention](https://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanisonlinetraining/login.aspx), Geneva, Switzerland