

July 2026! Wow, I can't believe we are 3/4 of the way through the Kiwanis year!

Let's take a look where we are and where we are going. We are up to 117 new members (almost a +1) as of this writing! It's so exciting to see the growth in many of our clubs and divisions. More hands for service!

All divisions are having a quarterly meeting with their clubs. We learn so much from each other and pick up names of great speakers/programs that we can share. Lieutenant governor's (LTG) are our backbone. How about reaching out to your LTG and letting them know how much you appreciate them?

District Convention (DCON) is right around the corner on Aug 7! Get your registrations in quickly. We've extended the "early bird discount" a few more days. You will get your money's worth or Past Governor Don Fritz will wash your car for you! LTG please bring your one (or more) musical instruments that you are going to donate to your local school so we can show your gift off to the rest of the district! (Please remember to take them back home with you).

We are now looking at the last quarter for FY2025-26. Kiwanis Voices (clubs for ages 18-26) are catching fire in the international community. Tim and Julie saw it firsthand in Manila with the Philippines chartering over 20 new clubs! We are in the process of also recruiting for our own Kiwanis Voices clubs here in the district. We are looking for people in the age range of 18-26 to join either an in-person (brick and mortar) club or an internet-based club.

We have two Kiwanis clubs ready to sponsor these clubs…we just need 15 souls to charter each club! Your Nebraska-Iowa district board has set aside all the dollars required to fund the first year of membership for up to 5 clubs. We all know that we need this type of club so the 18–26-year-old demographic have somewhere to meet with others that have a servant's heart. Would you please consider nominating young people that are in this age range for membership? All you have to do is give me their name and email and I'll reach out to them with information and see if they are interested in this fantastic opportunity.

Don't forget…"Kiwanis Rocks"!

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