

Welcome to Taipei, Taiwan



Welcome to Taipei, one of the most vibrant, cosmopolitan cities in Asia. Not only is Taipei a progressive city, but it also holds a great deal of ancient Chinese history. We're happy you are here to help us make some history of our own. This is the first-ever Kiwanis International Convention in the Asia-Pacific region—a precedent-setting event!

Mary and I welcome you to our 86th Annual Kiwanis International Convention, an

event that promises to be a very unique experience. The scheduled forums and workshops will encourage us to listen and learn as well as discover the culture of Taiwan.

While we are proposing amendments and choosing our leaders for the 2001-02 administrative year, we are honored to welcome Taiwan's leaders at our sessions this year. Taiwan President Chen Shui-bian and Vice-President Annette Lu will be our special guests at the opening and closing sessions, respectively.

Most of you have or probably will discover why the early Portuguese sailors dubbed Taiwan *Iha Formosa*, which means, "beautiful island." Majestic mountains, extinct volcanoes, mystical hot springs, and elaborate temples sprinkle the countryside.

We thank you for having such generous spirits, and for your capacity to help others. Thank you for not being the person who says, "I don't have the time." We hope you enjoy this "trip of a lifetime." Savor this special and unique experience, and take home the memories to share with your Kiwanis communities.

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Bo Shafer and Mary
International President



My Fellow Kiwanians from around the world: After years of preparation and striving to host the International Convention, finally we have the pleasure of hosting you for the 2001 Kiwanis International Convention in Taipei. On behalf of the Republic of China District, I welcome you to Taiwan. Looking back on the years of hard work, although I have been suffering from a deteriorating health condition, hosting the 2001 International Convention has been the biggest spiritual support in keeping me going. The moment has finally come.

My joy and happiness are beyond description. I invite all Kiwanians to share with me the love of Kiwanis, be welcomed, and feel like you are in your own hometown during the Taipei Convention. Once again, welcome to Taiwan!

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Responsibilities of a Delegate

Every Kiwanis club is entitled to two (2) delegates at the annual Kiwanis International Convention. If you have been selected as a delegate, you have the distinct responsibility of representing your club in all matters that affect the entire organization. Your convention duties are of the utmost importance. They include:

1. To attend PROMPTLY all meetings of the House of Delegates;
2. To study the qualifications of all candidates for International Office and to attend Candidate Forums;
3. To vote according to your best judgment on the issues presented;
4. To utilize every opportunity to gather information for your club; and
5. To present a complete convention report to your club.

The House of Delegates will meet on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning, June 25 and 26. Proposed resolutions and amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws will be considered, and Kiwanis International Officers for 2001-02 will be elected. As a delegate, you are strongly urged to participate fully in these two critical voting sessions.

Future International Conventions

2002 - New Orleans, Louisiana, June 21-25

2003 - Indianapolis, Indiana, June 20-24

2004 - St. Louis, Missouri, June 25-29

2005 - Honolulu, Hawaii, July 1-5



The Taipei International Convention Center will be the location of the following events unless noted otherwise*.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

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| 10:00 a.m. Registration, Credentials, Supplies | Room 101 |
| 10:00 a.m. Pin Trading Room | Room 203 B |
| 1:30 p.m. Complimentary sight-seeing for InConTra travelers* | *Tour bus pickup at TICC and specified hotels |

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

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| Complimentary sight-seeing for InConTra travelers (various times)* | *Tour bus pickup at TICC and specified hotels |
| 9:00 a.m. Registration, Credentials, Supplies | Room 101 |
| 9:00 a.m. Pin Trading Room | Rooms 203 B |
| 9:30 a.m. Meet the Candidates Forum | Plenary Hall |
| 10:00 a.m. Cultural Fair and Folk Shows | Taipei City Hall Public Area |
| 12:00 Noon-Kiwanis International Foundation Heritage Society Luncheon (by invitation only) | 4F VIP Room |
| 1:30 p.m. Workshops and Forums | Various |
| 7:00 p.m. Opening Session*, featuring special appearance by Chen Shui-bian, Republic of China President, and presentation of Kiwanis World Service Medal to Roger Moore. Entertainment from the National Taiwan Junior College of Performing Arts' Acrobatic Troupe will also be featured. | *Linkou Stadium |



MONDAY, JUNE 25

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| Complimentary sight-seeing for InConTra travelers (various times)* | *Tour bus pickup at TICC and specified hotels |
| 8:30 a.m. District Caucuses* | Each district hotel |
| 9:00 a.m. Registration, Credentials, Supplies | Room 101 |
| 9:00 a.m. Pin Trading Room | Rooms 203 B |
| 10:45 a.m. Workshops and Forums | Various |
| 1:30 a.m. First House of Delegates (Candidate voting) | Plenary Hall |
| 4:30 p.m. Foundation Honor's Reception (by invitation only)* | *Grand Hyatt/ Grand Ballroom |

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

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| Complimentary sight-seeing for InConTra travelers (various times)* | *Tour bus pickup at TICC and specified hotels |
| 8:00 a.m. Credentials, Supplies | Room 101 |
| 9:00 a.m. Second House of Delegates (Resolutions and Amendments) | Plenary Hall |
| 9:00 a.m. Pin Trading Room | Room 203 B |
| 1:00 p.m. Workshops and Forums | Various |
| 6:00 p.m. Closing Session*, featuring special appearance by Republic of China Vice-President Annette Lu, and a second appearance by the National Taiwan Junior College of Performing Arts' Acrobatic Troupe. | *Linkou Stadium |

▶ **The National Palace Museum in Taipei contains more than 720,000 Chinese artifacts, including sculptures, pottery, woodcarvings, and paintings. Because of the size limitations of the museum, only 15,000 items can be displayed at any time. The rest are stored in the basement until they are rotated into the collection.**



No one will be admitted to any convention event at the Taipei International Convention Center (TICC) or Linkou Stadium without a Kiwanis convention badge.

Kiwanis International Board Policy strictly prohibits clubs, organizations, companies, or individuals from selling or soliciting goods or services at or within the convention facilities during the Kiwanis International Convention. This policy includes the sale of buttons and pins. The only exceptions to this policy are the Kiwanis International Supply Booth, the Kiwanis International Foundation Booth, and Kiwanis International subcontracted vendors. Any person, organization, company, or club found to be in violation of this policy will be asked to leave the premises.

Calling Home

Taiwan's telecommunications system is among the best in Asia. When you are in Taiwan, you can dial "100" to reach an international operator, but direct dialing is reliable and much cheaper.

If you are calling from your hotel room, first ask the hotel operator how much the hotel surcharge is. You may decide you want to call Country Direct, which is cheaper. Otherwise, dial the international access code—002 or 012—the country code, the area or city code, and the local phone number.

Country Direct calls are available due to a cooperative effort among several large telephone systems. This service enables you to bypass the local telephone system and reach the US or another country directly on that country's system. First dial the access code—0080-10288-0; a recording or an operator will offer you the option of using your home country calling card or a credit card, or making a collect call.

Convention Daily

Be sure to pick up the *Convention Daily*, which contains additional convention information, feature articles, and schedules of activities. The *Daily* will be available in two editions—Saturday/Sunday and Monday/Tuesday—and will be distributed throughout the convention center.

Credentials

All clubs in good standing are entitled to two delegates and two alternates, each of whom must be certified. If the certificate bearing the signatures of both the club president and club secretary was not sent to Kiwanis International before a delegate's arrival, it must be presented as soon as possible at the Credentials Desk. A delegate elected at the last minute to replace someone previously certified must present official verification of the change, signed by both the club president and club secretary.

NO DELEGATE MAY RECEIVE CREDENTIALS TO REPRESENT A CLUB THAT IS PAST DUE IN ITS FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS TO KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL.

Cultural Forums

Convention attendees will have opportunities to view cultural demonstrations on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. On Sunday, learn the ancient Chinese art of calligraphy; on Monday, master the age-old skill of paper cutting; and on Tuesday, discover how to knot colorful rope into beautiful art pieces. Please note that attendance is limited to only 80 participants per demonstration on a first-come, first-served basis.

Currency

Taipei has many facilities for currency exchange. Foreign currencies can be exchanged at the airport, government-designated banks, and most hotels. Receipts are given when currency is exchanged and must be presented to exchange unused New Taiwan (NT) dollars before departure. Major credit cards are accepted, and traveler's checks can be cashed at some tourist hotels. At time of print, the exchange rate for the following currencies was:

- One US Dollar (USD)=32.90 New Taiwan dollars (NT)
- One Canadian Dollar (CAD)=21.03 New Taiwan dollars (NT)
- One Euro (EUR)=29.71 New Taiwan dollars (NT)

First Aid

First aid at the Taipei International Convention Center is located just off of Plenary Hall on the 3rd floor, in the northeast corner opposite the restrooms. The first aid room will be open during official convention functions.