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## THERE WAS NO WEEKLY MEETING HELD THIS WEEK DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

A roundtable was held on Wednesday, November 27th, with David Wyskiel and Robert Gollnick attending.

## FALL TRAINING CONFERENCE 2014

November 22<sup>nd</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup> was the annual New England & Bermuda District of Kiwanis Fall Conference in North Conway, New Hampshire. Kiwanians from across the District gathered for officer training; sessions on The Eliminate Project; workshops about fundraising, service and marketing; entertainment; and fellowship with each other. More than 50 Kiwanians also enjoyed snacks and drinks in a Kiwanis Club of Meriden hospitality room on Friday night. Meriden was represented by Brian Cofrancesco, Bob and Sandi Gollnick, Ed and Elaine Murphy, Melissa Neville, Bill Passarelli, Julianna Rathonyi, and Dave (and guest Debby) Wyskiel.



Fall Training Conference Photos:  
NED and his new best friend (top);  
Melissa Neville, Bill Passarelli, Julianna Rathonyi  
& Brian Cofrancesco (bottom).



## AIM FOR SUCCESS! THE ELIMINATE PROJECT 2015 HOW ARE WE DOING?

As of October 16, 2013, The Eliminate Project, Kiwanis's global campaign for children, in partnership with UNICEF, has raised:

Total Funds: U.S. \$40,986,768.47 (cash and pledges; U.S. \$176.69 per member average)  
Total Model Clubs: 560  
Total 100K Clubs: 37  
Total Lead Gifts: 13  
Total Major Gifts: 81  
Total Walter Zeller Fellows: 4,818

**ELIMINATE**  
maternal/neonatal tetanus

NEW ENGLAND AND BERMUDA DISTRICT TOTAL: U.S. \$406,358.05

### HERE'S A FUN IDEA FOR A CLUB ACTIVITY AND FUND RAISER!

Conduct a Miracle Minute. Organize a joint meeting with your sponsored youth program and incorporate a Miracle Minute. This consists of everyone in the room quickly gathering their loose change during a set time. Thirty seconds to one minute usually energizes people and makes the activity more fun. Make sure everyone knows about The Eliminate Project before the 'Miracle Minute' is over!



### WALTER ZELLER FELLOWSHIP SAVES 694 LIVES

The Walter Zeller Fellowship is a unique award to honor Walter Zeller, who made the first gift of 25 silver dollars to establish the Kiwanis International Foundation. The Zeller Fellowship recognizes a gift of \$1,250 payable over two years to The Eliminate Project.

Already 87 Kiwanis members from the New England and Bermuda District have become Walter Zeller Fellows and saved over 60,416 lives. Many more members have personally donated \$300 to \$900 to the Eliminate Project during the past year.

Clubs can recognize outstanding members and present them with a gift of a Zeller.

Zeller Fellows from the Kiwanis Club of Meriden include: Brian Cofrancesco, Julianna Rathonyi and Carol Reiss.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>: Board Meeting, Lauren Rizzuto's house, snacks @ 6:30 PM, meeting @ 7:00 PM.
- DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>: Bus trip to Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute (KPTI) in Boston, 7:00 AM. \$40 per person; 20 person limit. Contact Brian Cofrancesco for further details.
- DECEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>: Community Projects Meeting, Brian Cofrancesco's house, 7:00 PM.
- DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Party, location TBD, 6:30 PM.
- DECEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>: Roundtable at Huxley's, East Main Street, Meriden, 12:15 PM.

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