

FIESTA FLIGHT CREW LIST - April 2026

Welcome aboard to all of our fun and highly capable Fiesta Flight Crew Leaders and Support Crew Kiwis - and others who will help on site! Thank you so much to all, for giving us your all in your key role(s).

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NATIONAL CONVENTION CHAIR- Contessa Capt. Sherri Engle Hammond Lowe* Houston ***

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AA AAdvantage Miles Prize Drawing Jane Fullen Haag* OHARE** ***
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Paula Brodnick Schmickrath BNA Music City**
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50th Anniversary Coordinator Millie Amadeo Rusak O'HARE

CREW - Special Landing Optional Event

Noche del Rio Kathy Minner,* *** Sherri Lowe,* ***
(In memory of Eileen Vaquilar Clifford) Kathy Schmidt Kuzminski Natl 2nd VP

ADVISORS

National Meeting Site Polly Toll Goodman* LAX** ***
2024 National Kiwi Convention Chair Caroline Ballachey Womack Golden Gate**

VISIT SAN ANTONIO

Karen Bippert and Local Team

Thank you so much also, to our "Standby Reserve" Crew: (And also to our National Board!)

Jo Sharp McFadden* DEN, OKC ** ***, Susie Beers Clark DCA, Linda Sterlacci DCA,
Connie Leightner Budge* Low Country** ***, Eileen Pearson SW FLA, Kay Sutter SW FLA
(Plus on-site Crew recruits to be named, and those who serve and wish to remain anonymous)

*Past National President

**Returning from 2024 Convention Team

***Life Member

FIESTA FLIGHT ROYALE CREW, CONTD.

As a special addition to Convention 2026, thank you also to those who have offered to volunteer pre and/or at Convention as 'Standby Reserve' Crew as needed!

SUPPORT CREW - "On Standby Reserve"

Jo Sharp McFadden DEN PP*
Susie Beers Clark DCA
Linda Sterlacci DCA
Connie Leighlighter Budge - Low Country PP*
Keryl Ball - SW FLA
Eileen Pearson - SW FLA
Kay Sutter - SW FLA

*National Past President

KIWI NATIONAL BOARD 2024-2026

Kiwi Convention "Team San Antonio" aka our "Fiesta Flight Crew," wishes to offer added thanks to these dedicated and talented Kiwis serving TKC in their respective roles, and for their support of our Kiwi Convention 2026!

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Special Note in Memoriam:

Our 2024-2026 elected National Secretary, Eileen Clifford Vaquilar - Long Island, passed away suddenly on February 20, 2025. Her beauty, vivaciousness, can-do spirit, many talents, and love of Kiwis are cherished in her sweet memory that we specially honor this Convention, in this exceptional and unprecedented circumstance. Eileen had volunteered to chair the Optional Event again this convention, which is now being dedicated to her memory... Peace, comfort and love to all from your CC, who carries on, as we all must, and as she would want...Congratulations to Anne, our enthusiastic and talented National Secretary, 2025!

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TKC PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS AND THE CONVENTION CITY THEY PRESIDED

A look back in history. Thank you to all our Past Presidents, and to the Convention hosts!

#01	1952-54	Virginia Woodby Conrad*	ORD
#02	1954-56	Nell Mitcham Mitchell*	DAL
#03	1956-58	Gert Agner Jones*	LAX
#04	1958-60	Marie Ward Stocking*	DCA
#05	1960-62	Boots Johnson Hogate*	NYC
#06	1962-64	Marie Boyle Lynch*	TUL
#07	1964-66	Viv Shattuck Jorgensen*	BOS
#08	1966-68	Marge Soltesz Smith*	SFO
#09	1968-70	Sandra Gilman Wilner*	PHX
#10	1970-72	Donna Folkers Goldfein*	FTW
#11	1972-74	Mamie Byrd Jannette*	LAX
#12	1974-76	Bee Crocker Hansen*	ORD
#13	1976-78	Polly Toll Goodman*	BNA
#14	1978-80	Margot Crutchfield Ries*	DCA
#15	1980-82	Barbara Kelling Hollow*	SAN
#16	1982-84	Jo Sharp McFadden	DAL
#17	1984-86	Shirley Koch Watters	PHX
#18	1986-88	Cindy Mantiplay Ryan*	BOS
#19	1988-90	Nancy Madden Hoffman*	SFO
#20	1990-92	Mary Mahan Hilberg	ATL
#21	1992-94	Sandra Koerth Kickhoefer Hoelting	HOU
#22	1994-86	Linda Hutchinson Timberlake	ORD
#23	1996-98	Sherri Engle Lowe	CRUISE
#24	1998-2000	Carol Nordman Hutchison	PSP
#25	2000-02	Mary Lu Schmitt Keyser	FTW
#26	2002-04	Connie Leighliter Budge	LAS
#27	2004-06	Mary Richter Thrasher	SAN
#28	2006-08	Kathryn Joy Minner	HOU
#29	2008-10	Ernie Schade Reis	PHL
#30	2010-12	Ginny Day McKillop* St. Petersburg Beach	FL
#31	2012-14	Cindi Youts Sanders	LAS
#32	2014-16	Jane Fullen Haag	SFO
#33	2016-18	Jo Sharp McFadden	OKC
#34	2018-20	Kathy Poppenberg Kridel	LAS / COVID CXL
#35	2020-22	Sam Gooch	FTW
#36	2022-24	Stephanie McCauley Butler	SAV

*Flown West