

November 2023 Club Newsletter and Member Update

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Our Board for 2023-2024

President: Frederica Joseph Directors: Mary Ellen Trimble
Past-President: Muriel Alvares Mitzie Hunter
Treasurer: Joan-Mary Spencer Sashoy Simpson
Secretary: Mary McDermott Andrea Hazell

Hello fellow Kiwanis Club of Scarborough members,

As we start our first full Kiwanis year as a chartered club, we welcome the new year and are looking forward to serving our Scarborough community!

We had a very productive strategic planning session on October 21 and formed several committees, if you are interested in helping out, please let us know!

We still need to form a Fundraising Committee!

We have also had a few changes, our first president recently resigned and we have recognized her significant contributions and service.

Frederica Joseph was elected as our new president in a special board meeting on October 29th. Our VP Andrea Hazell was recently elected as MPP for Scarborough Guildwood and has resigned as VP but remains as a director on our board.

Our next club meeting is Monday, November 20 at 7pm on Zoom, invite is coming soon!

Executive Committee

President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President

Governance and Nomination Committee

Identify executive committee candidates for next fiscal year, Chair: Mary Ellen Trimble, Secretary: Mary McDermott



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Budget Committee

Responsible for our club administration and projects budgets, Chair: Joan-Mary Spencer, Frederica Joseph, Donna Fanfair, Mary Ellen Trimble

Membership Committee

Grow membership in our club, Chair: Mitzie Hunter, Mary Ellen Trimble

Service Committee

Recommend projects for our club members, Chair: Sashoy Simpson, Joan-Mary Spencer, Aidan Sollazzo

Public Relations, Marketing and Programming Committee

Establish and build community connections, Chair: Frederica Joseph, Hugh Simmonds, Mary McDermott

S.L.P. Committee

Establish and build clubs in schools to engage our youth, Chair: Mitzie Hunter, Allen Pollard, Joan-Mary Spencer, Donna Fanfair

If you would like to join a committee, please let us know.

If you have ideas on how we can make a difference in Scarborough, please let us know.

If you have family or friends who would like to help make a difference in Scarborough, please invite them to join us.

Don't forget to pay your dues and attend our next club meeting next Monday, November 20th!

Our first interclub service in November was participating along with Kiwanis Club of East York in the 132nd Toronto Scouts Fall Tree Planting on November 5th. Here are some pictures along with our President Frederica's thoughts on her experience. Frederica and her daughter, Haleema took part.







The word Kiwanis, according to etymologists, comes from the word giiwanzi, or ningiiwanzi, an Algonquin/Ojibwe/Chipawa, word that has several translations: to fool around, to make noise, to make oneself known, and original kiwanians translated is as to build.

The Kiwanis tree planting experience in Taylor Creek Park was a true Kiwanian activity. This was the 132nd Toronto Scouts Fall Tree Planting on Nov. 5th 2023. Pictured here with Pat Lawrance, 132nd Toronto Scouts Group, but also (East York Kiwanis Member) is Kiwanis Club of Scarborough President Frederica Joseph and her daughter Haleema planting trees. Haleema and I helped build a forest, had a lot of fun, and got to know new people, Pat, Pam, Mike, Steve and John, and they got to know us. We met some members of a East York key club who also came out to plant trees.

Planting trees was fun, but it is even more amazing when you're with great people.



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Recognizing our first president, Muriel Alvares, here is a letter of thanks from our president:

Dear Muriel,

Congratulations, Muriel, you are going down in history as Kiwanis Club of Scarborough's first president!

We sincerely thank you for stepping up to lead our new Kiwanis Club and we thank you for your service to our Kiwanis Club of Scarborough.

We are sorry to see you go, we will not and can not forget all of your hard work. You guided us through our club formation, our Charter Event Ceremony on September 17th and our first strategic planning meeting on October 21st. Muriel, you are a true Kiwanian, your skills, knowledge and commitment were greatly appreciated by our club, and you would be a tremendous asset to any other Kiwanian club.

We gratefully acknowledge your work and accomplishments as our first president and wish you the best.

Sincerely,

Frederica Joseph, President, Kiwanis Club of Scarborough

As you know, our VP, Andrea Hazell was elected MPP for Scarborough Guildwood!! We congratulate Andrea and are very happy to have her represent our Scarborough community in Queen's Park. We acknowledge her additional responsibilities and understand that she has stepped down as VP, but continues as one of our directors in our club.