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Spring 2025 Newsletter

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Message from Our President



President
Frederica Joseph

Spring brings new life, new inspirations and new growth to the world, and the Kiwanis Club of Scarborough is ready to take advantage of this spring energy. This spring we will be focusing on growing our membership, starting with our first Meet and Greet on April 7th, raising more funds with our 2nd annual Pink Brunch on June 21st, and beginning our new volunteer assignment with City of Toronto and CGaming.

With new members, and new funds we will be able to support more nutritional, educational and athletic programs serving children and youth. We hope to start a BUGS (Bring Up the Grades) program, offer our first scholarships, and increase our feminine hygiene products campaign. We will continue supporting SCHC, and the Reading Partnership Program.

We will continue to increase awareness about Kiwanis, its mission and vision to the community by attending community events.

Kiwanis Club of Scarborough is excited about growing in 2025!

Updates From Our Club

- Our First Leadership Service Program starts in Woburn CI
- SCHC's EarlyOn Program at Willow Park JPS
- Tree planting with Kiwanis Club of East York, 132nd Scouts and TD Bank
- Our 1st Anniversary Celebration
- Eastview PJS goes shopping with our club's Staples gift cards
- Annual Members Holiday Party
- Volunteered at SCHC Food Bank
- Celebrated Robbie Burns Day with Kiwanis Club of East
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- Volunteered for Kiwanis Music Festival

Our Upcoming Events

- Growing our Club – Meet & Greet, Monday, April 7

ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO SPRING?
MEET OUR KIWANIS CLUB OF SCARBOROUGH
Please join us on Monday, April 7th
The Olde Stone Cottage Pub
3750 Kingston Road
5pm-7pm



RSVP: Scarboroughkiwanisclub@gmail.com by March 24

- Our next AGM – Tuesday, April 22nd
- Our second Pink Brunch – Saturday, June 21st

Save the Date

PINK BRUNCH

Celebrate **National Indigenous Peoples Day** in pink with brunch, entertainment, and fundraising for our **Service Leadership Programs**, featuring a silent auction and 50/50 draw.

Date: Saturday, June 21, 2025
Time: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. Doors open at 11:30 am.
Location: Centennial College Events Centre (Winter Room),
937 Progress Ave,
Scarborough, ON M1G 3T8
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Our First Leadership Service Program starts in Woburn CI

Our Woburn C.I. Key Club is making progress! Leaders in our group are developing, and club projects have been completed. Two Key Club members participated in our tree planting event with Kiwanis Club of East York and the 132nd Scouts troop. Our Key Club has planned and completed three projects:



Fund raising event for a mental health week “CANDY COMPLEMENTS” where Woburn students bought a lolly pop, and attached to it kind words to lift the spirits of a friend or fellow student. Key club participants then delivered the “Sweet Compliments” to the students home form, all for a fee.



Warm clothing drive; collected and distributed gently used clothing to children, youth and adults. Members from both inside the school community, and the surrounding neighbourhood were able to make use of some of the collected items. The rest were given to a local social agency for distribution.



Hand crafted Christmas Cards delivered to Seniors at Seven Oaks Nursing Home in December. The card included a Christmas greeting and a candy cane. On Christmas Day the Seven Oaks Staff delivered the cards to seniors that have no families.

Our Woburn C.I. Key Club is now conducting a drive to collect self-care items to be delivered to a Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities.

SCHC's EarlyOn Program at Willow Park JPS

Kiwanis Club of Scarborough proudly supported the Reading Partnership Program during the Fall term from October - December 2024.

A volunteer from our club provided 3 hours of service once a week to an incredibly innovative reading 10 week reading program. This program held at Willow Park public School is where children aged 4-6 learn to read.

The parent is part of the reading program and learns how to help their child develop not only their reading skills, but also helps foster the joy of reading for the child. This program is a family program that includes a meal and child care services for the siblings of those enrolled in the reading program.

We will have an opportunity to support this program again this spring and next fall.

Tree planting - Kiwanis Club of East York, 132nd Scouts and TD Bank October 26, 2024



October 26th presented an amazing opportunity for Kiwanians and key clubbers in the Toronto area to get fresh air and exercise while planting trees in the Don Valley.

Two members of the Woburn Key Club, and Frederica were amongst the TD Friends of the Environment Project.

This event was the 25th annual joint project between Kiwanis Club of East York, 132nd Toronto Scouts, and TD Bank.



Our 1st Anniversary Celebration Oct 27, 2024



On October 27, we celebrated our first anniversary and presented our 6 new members with their Kiwanis Club pins and membership certificates. Members who joined in the last year are: Anna Aidoo, Hannah Chan, Naomi Cornelius, Keisha Gregory, Kayon Lewis and Michelle Nguyen.

Anna Aidoo is the founder of Endless Possibilities which is supporting women and girls to overcome barriers and to thrive. Anna has become our go to MC. She is a vibrant new addition to our Club.

Dr. Hannah Chan is a technology wiz! When we call and have a need, Hannah responds. She showed up with her sister to the Earth Day clean up at TRCA, and has raised her hand to support our service programs, including the Staples drive, Hannah is an all-round solutions person who has brought positive energy to our Club.

Naomi Cornelius is a resident of Scarborough; she is retired having had an international career. Naomi has been an enthusiastic and creative supporter of our Club. She comes up with ideas of how to promote and market the Club and extend our reach through her other volunteer commitments. We value Naomi's dedication and commitment and her willingness to join in on Club activities.

Keisha Gregory is a resident of Scarborough; she is a sought after makeup artist. Keisha has joined the Communications and Marketing Committee doing our Instagram and social media posts. Keisha joined President Frederica at our first outreach to recruit students from Woburn CI to join our Key Club.

Kayon Lewis is a welcomed addition to our Club. She joined at a time when we launched our Pink Brunch in celebration of Mothers' Day. Kayon brings business savvy to our Club and the potential to expand our network.

Michelle Nguyen is a quiet force. As a technology expert, Michelle has stepped up to lead our Public Relations, Communications and Marketing Committee and is doing a wonderful job. Michelle makes us look professional and bigger than we are. She did beautiful designs of our pop-up banner, posters, flyers, programs and other materials. She has put a stellar plan together for the marketing needs of the Club.



Our event was held at White Shield Banquet Hall 2300 Lawrence Avenue East in Scarborough, the venue, food and service were excellent.

Eastview PS Goes Shopping at Staples Morningside Store November 21, 2024

Our club participated again this year in the Staples Back to School Program and we were very happy to be able to watch Eastview's vice-principal Rebbeca Chahine and one of her teachers shop in the Staples Morningside store.

The Staples Morningside store collected \$ 3,757.04 in donations during their Back to School Program. We thanked Gayane Mkrtychyan, manager and Patricia Moss, who was the #1 Staples sales associate in the Staples Back to School Program. The store staff were very helpful in finding additional stock items for the Eastview shoppers to buy.



Annual Members Party at The Hub – Mid-Scarborough

We held our second annual Holiday Potluck on December 12th at The Hub – Mid-Scarborough. A huge thank you to Randy, Caron and Charanjit of The Hub for their support of our club!

Members of the Kiwanis Club of East York joined us for our pot luck buffet and enjoyed Secret and Swapping Santa.



Of course, we held our 50.50 draw to help our club's funds and we also collected feminine hygiene sanitary supplies for SCHC Food Bank.



Kiwanis Club of Scarborough Volunteered at SCHC Food Bank on December 23rd-24th, 2024

Our club members staffed 2 shifts at the SCHC Food Bank on December 23rd and December 24th to help with food demand during the holiday season.

The SCHC Food Bank is located on the 1st floor in the apartment building at 4100 Lawrence.

See [here](#) for more information on this food bank



Kiwanis Club of East York celebrates Robbie Burns Day on January 25th at their club's annual fundraiser.



Some of our club members joined Kiwanis Club of East York to celebrate Robbie Burns Day on January 25th at their club's annual fundraiser held at the York Masonic Temple on Millwood Road in East York.

The roast beef dinner was delicious.

Kiwanis Music Festival at Toronto Chinese Cultural Centre February 18th – March 1st



We also volunteered for the Welcome Desk for the Kiwanis Music Festival, along with other Kiwanis Club members in the GTA.

Although the weather was very wintery, school bands, students and their parents braved the snow and participated in the Kiwanis Music Festival.

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Feminine hygiene products for our **“Aiming to Solve Period Poverty”** campaign can be donated at the event. All products will be collected and distributed by **Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities**



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- Executive Committee
- Governance and Nomination Committees
- Budget Committee
- Membership Committee
- Public Relations, Marketing and Programming Committee
- Service and Fundraising Committee
- S.L.P. Committee

Please let us know:

- If you would like to join a committee
- If you have ideas on how we can make a difference in Scarborough

Join us:

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

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