

The Tweed Kiwanian Quarterly Newsletter

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A Message from Our President Paul Kite

Happy New Year! And I hope it will be better for all of us compared to 2021. That's not to say that 2021 was a "bad" year. We accomplished quite a lot considering the challenges we faced with Covid-19 including the Chicken BBQ, opening the Pavilion and of course the installation and opening of the new playground. Certainly, many of our events were affected including our meetings. After a prolonged period of having to meet virtually we were rewarded with the ability to meet once again in person at our beautiful Pavilion. Ah, but wait, the plague wasn't finished with us and just like that we are back to Zoom meetings and wondering once again how our next year is going to shape up.

I am hopeful. We are better prepared this time around with a high percentage of the population fully vaccinated and a society, for the most part, now attuned to living safely with this virus. Nevertheless, we have had to postpone our pancake breakfast because of the recent Omicron variant breakout, but only postpone it. I feel and see evidence of a desire to get on with our lives, to do it safely, but with a determination that we must carry on.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR FELLOW KIWANIANS

Message from the President Continued

I am looking forward to carrying on with our club activities this year. We will push through and make whatever adjustments we need to, but we will continue to raise money, meet, distribute support to the familiar groups and find new ways to support the children within our community.

Last year I wrote an article about our club for the Discover magazine. I introduced Kiwanis International and then went on to describe our club. When writing the article, I was struck with how much Kiwanis has changed from when I first joined back in 1980 as a young man. Today, Kiwanis International has grown, but the biggest change I see, and appreciate, are the inclusion of women, the move away from strict rules about attendance etc., evidence that today's clubs are diverse and less formal. I feel it is more about community and less about organization. And the latter is an important factor to communicate when we look for new members. The good cheer and bonhomie that we experience at our meetings is also important, and it will be at the center of our club once again after Omicron makes its exit.

There are directives, requirements, and rules that head office flows down to us. And it is important to take heed of them and comply wherever it makes sense for each individual club. For us, for me, I want to build on the uniqueness of our club, its members, and the community we live in. We can, and we will, find new members. We will find new sources of funding and new areas to support. And personally, I will be happy and satisfied to see us claim back our meetings, activities, and social calendar.

Finally. The latest Kiwanis magazine issue has an image of a bird breaking free of its cage with the caption "Let go of holding on". The article is about letting go of things and all the associated emotional baggage, but it's a fitting image for letting go of all the negative feelings that have descended upon us with Covid-19. Let us move forward, let us hope for a better future for us and those that we support in our community, let us get on with our lives and let us be "normal" Kiwanians again. (or is that even possible, yes I am looking at you Randy[©])

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TICKETS \$50 - FROM KIWANIS MEMBERS, DELLAR'S IDA DRUG STORE, TWEED NEWS, QUINN'S OF TWEED FINE ART GALLERY

110 Cash Prizes Drawn Over 5 Months: February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2 • Maximum 500 tickets sold • Winning tickets re-entered in next draw • \$13,600 in prizes, \$2,500/month



| | Ticket Drawn | Amount | Two 'Early Bird' prizes drawn |
|---|--------------|--------|--|
| 1 | 1st | \$1000 | January 6, 2021: |
| | 2nd | \$500 | Tickets must be purchased by Dec. 31 to qualify 1 st Prize: \$600 gift certificate |
| | 3rd to 12th | \$75 | |
| | 13th to 22nd | \$25 | Bush Furniture 2 nd Prize: \$500 cash |
| | | | 2 Frize. 3500 cash |

Proceeds support local youth initiatives and other community projects

*Tickets can not be purchased by / for /on behalf of persons under 18 years of age

@kiwaniscluboftweed Lottery Licence #:M842902 www.tweedkiwanis.ca

SOLD OUT END OF NOVEMBER WAY TO GO TEAM!!!

Note from the Editor:

Fellow Kiwanians, if you have a story you would like covered in our newsletter then give me a buzz or submit your article as a guest reporter. Our next deadline for all submissions is March 25. PE Don DeGenova

Remember to use your phone to take pics for our Newsletter and Facebook posts. Both are important vehicles for promoting Tweed Kiwanis and for developing an historical archive. Thanks to all those capturing all the action and reactions!

PP John Stick Thompson On Why I am a Kiwanian

PP John (aka Stick...more on that later) Thompson was born in Belleville January 19 1942. His family had a farm in Prince Edward County. Although the family enjoyed raising animals, John's father always had a dream of operating a butcher shop. In 1953 such an opportunity became available in Tweed so John and family packed their bags and headed north. The butcher shop was located in what today is Leonard Bryan's Law Office on Victoria St. John, his brother Dennis (20 months older), Mother and Father lived on the second floor.

John always had a passion for cooking. He loved being creative and decided to take out a five year lease in 1970 to run the Land O'Lakes Restaurant on Highway 7. It was during this time that he met the love of his life Gayle. They met at a mutual friend's home in Springbrook. Having just returned from moose hunting, John thought "let's serve up some moose fondue" and Gayle was hooked. They tied the knot in 1974 and have been together for 47 years. John claims he still does most of the cooking and that is fine by Gayle!!!

Gayle was a teacher and at one point they lived in Marmora for three years. John moved into construction working with Don Lesage and then Jack Robinson. He eventually started his own construction company John Thompson Stick Ltd. He built a number of homes around town including the one your newsletter reporter lives in. John retired around 10 years ago.

He and Gayle loved to travel going on many trips together especially during the winter school break. John was an avid golfer and enjoyed swinging the cubs with his friends. He was also a Tweed Volunteer Fireman for many years.

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John & Gayle





John & Gayle livin the good life!!!

PP John Stick Thompson On Why I am a Kiwanian (continued)

Volunteering has always been in John's blood and he started out with the Kinsmen Club moving to the Kiwanis Club after being recruited by our infamous PP Randy Kline. He has been with the club for 42 years taking on a variety of roles including President in 1985, Chair of the Chicken BQ Committee, Chair of the Pancake Breakfast Committee, and key organizer of the Club Steak Barbeques. Let's face it, John had his hands into anything that dealt with food...back to his passioncooking!!!

John Joined both Kinsmen and then Kiwanis because they were both clubs that had the best interests of the community at heart. He loved the Kiwanis projects and enjoyed raising money to help fund those initiatives. He so enjoys the fellowship of club members.

Now back to "Stick", the nickname that has "Stuck" with John. Back in 1963 John purchased a red Chevy Biscayne sedan built for its power and "stick" on the floor. And hence John "Stick" Thompson was the man about town!!

The Hypnotist: PP Randy Kline & PP Syd Cain

It was entertainment night at Moira Place. After the community sing along, it was time for the star of the show – Randy Kline the Hypnotist! PP Syd Cain, President of the Entertainment Committee, was very excited about bringing this show to Moira Place. He knew Randy was a great hypnotist having witnessed his putting people into a trance...sometimes even without a watch...such as at our Kiwanis meetings where fellow Kiwanians listened to Randy with a glazed look in their eyes.

After being introduced by Syd, Randy explained that he was going to put the whole audience into a trance. "Yes, each and every one of you and all at the same time" said Randy. The excited chatter dropped to silence as Randy carefully withdrew from his pocket a beautiful antique gold pocket watch and chain.

"I want you to keep your eyes on this watch" said Randy, holding the watch high for all to see. "It is a very special and valuable watch that has been in my family for six generations" said Randy.

He began to swing the watch gently back and forth while quietly chanting: "Watch the watch ---- Watch the watch "

The audience became mesmerized as the watch swayed back and forth. The lights were twinkling as they were reflected from its gleaming surfaces. Fifty pairs of eyes followed the movements of the gently swaying watch. They were hypnotized.

And then, suddenly, the chain broke!!! The beautiful watch fell to the stage and burst apart on impact. "SHIT" said Randy.

It took them three days to clean Moira Place. PP Syd had to resign from the Entertainment Committee and is currently looking for new lodgings. PP Randy was never invited there again.

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Supporting our Community!

Our fundraising activities provide us with the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of many in our community, children in particular. Covid19 continues to impact the organizations we typically fund. However, we continue to fund those in need.

| Organization | Amount |
|--|---------|
| Kiwanis Foundation | \$1,000 |
| Tweed Public Library | \$400 |
| Tweed Kiwanis Builder's Club | \$451 |
| Total Q1 | \$1,851 |
| Kiwanis Night Before Kindergarten | \$500 |
| Hastings PE Learning Foundation | \$300 |
| Tweed Elementary School Bursary | \$75 |
| Tweed & Area Arts Council | \$500 |
| Roger Neilson House | \$500 |
| Tweed Heritage Centre | \$500 |
| Erin Palmateer Pool | \$500 |
| Gateway Community Health Center - Jazz Band | \$1,000 |
| Gateway Community Health Center - Swim Program | \$1,000 |
| Central Hastings School Scholarship | \$1,000 |
| St Theresa Catholic Secondary School Scholarship | \$1,000 |
| Total Q2 | \$6,875 |
| Staples School Back Pack Support | \$500 |
| San Damiano Foundation Tweed Youth Facility | \$500 |
| Tweed Playground - Memory of Ken Little | \$511 |
| Terry Fox Foundation | \$500 |
| Shriners Club of Belleville | \$500 |
| Keep Kids Warm | \$1,000 |
| Alzheimer Society | \$1,000 |
| CIBC Run for the Cure | \$500 |
| Q3 Total | \$5,011 |

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Other programs we support that have been in various stages in 2021 due to Covid19 include: B.U.G. and Terrific Kids

| Tweed Community Dinners | \$500 |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund | \$60 |
| Kiwanis Builders Club | \$360 |
| Heart of Hastings Hospice | \$1,000 |
| Festival of Trees | \$600 |
| Tweed Public Library | \$750 |
| Colouring Contest | \$225 |
| Tweed Food Bank | \$1,000 |
| Quinte Regional Science Fair | \$500 |
| Ontario Medical Supply | \$900 |
| Q4 Total | \$5,895 |
| Q1-Q4 Total | \$19,632 |



Our donation to Heart of Hastings Hospice: PP Bob Sills, PP Peter McConnell, PP/Treasurer Jim Roulston, Pauline Pietschmann & PP Michael Cassidy



President Paul Kite Welcoming Terri Ward into the Kiwanian Family.

A Year in Review: Outgoing PP Michael Cassidy Speech on September 30 2021 During the Induction of the New Club Executive

Thank you to all of the members who make Tweed Kiwanis an amazing club.

My predecessor, PP Chris Foran, provided a stellar example of good leadership. He left big shoes to fill but the best I could do was try to fill my own socks. Jim Roulston we thank you for your fiscal competencies. Your accounting is always current and accurate. Adam Woolfrey was our diligent Secretary until his successful business and family responsibilities required his full attention. As usual our LG Al McNeil agreed to meet the club's needs and assume the Secretary role in addition to his LG responsibilities. You have been super in both capacities. PLG Marj Buck was a valuable resource person for anything related to Kiwanis at every level. The Directors were conscientious in fulfilling their duties and providing wise oversight.

This club is an amazing entity due to the efforts and co-operation of all the members. Because of your efforts the following outcomes came to fruition:

- 1. Warm clothes for kids
- A successful contribution to two stationary parades – Christmas 2000 and Canada Day 2021
- The Chili Dinner to fund the Accessible Playground Project (a big thank you to Gateway Restaurant for partnering with us)
- The huge endeavour of the Accessible Playground Committee which was a resounding success
- Our Chicken BBQ another huge project with an army of member and community volunteers which was a monumental success

- 6. Our Lottery well run and well supported
- 7. The capable management of our Nevada ticket sales
- 8. The Pavilion upgrades including refinished floors and new windows
- 9. Interclubs despite the pandemic thank you PP Bob Sills
- 10. Our well managed and creative Facebook, website & Newsletter communications program
- 11. Funding for youth initiatives at the elementary and secondary schools that serve our community
- 12. The Tweed Youth Foundation with Joel Palmateer at the helm.
- Supporting Alzheimer's Society od Hastings-Prince Edward; the Erin Palmateer Pool; Belleville General Hospital Foundation; Heart of Hastings Hospice; the Tweed Public Library; Queensborough Day Camp; Gateway Band Ensemble; the Colouring Contest
- 14. Our partnership with Staples

A huge bonus for this club is the incoming President Paul Kite. He epitomizes a leader who is conscientious, proactive, pragmatic and a levelling influencer. He demonstrates the virtues of respect for others and his well-developed interpersonal skills. He is a true Team player and we applaud him for volunteering to be our fearless leader. Thank you Paul.



P Paul Kite thanking PP Mike Cassidy for leading us through a difficult time...A Tim Horton's cup...I wonder why???

Blast from the Past (submitted by PP Randy Kline)

Eastern Edition, April 16, 2004

Grade 12 Centre Hastings student receives first annual Don Brown Memorial Volunteer Award

by Shannon Binder Bray

Tweed - At the annual general meeting of the Land o' Lakes Curling Club held Wednesday, April 14, 2004, incoming president Ev English presented Junior Curler Craig Martin with the first annual Don Brown Memorial Volunteer Award. The award honours former Kiwanian

Treasurer and Curling Club President Donald Brown who passed away in

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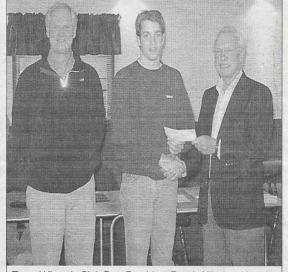
healthy mouth is very important to your overall health. We are committed to enhancing the quality of your life.

Dr. Ken Madison & Associates

2003. The endowment, accompanied by a \$300 bursary, is sponsored by the Tweed Kiwanis Club and marks their highest award offered to date.

Martin holds this award for the extensive leadership skills, dedication, and instructional prowess he has demonstrated in his leadership role within the club. Having been a club member for the past six years, Martin volunteers his time to help younger club members strengthen their skills, has established and continues to develop the club's web site, takes additional curling courses, and often volunteers at club functions. Nabbing the Memorial Award was not an easy task as all five candidates were only accepted with full written reviews and could only be made by either a Kiwanian or a member of the Curling Club. All nominators have to be in good standing within the clubs and nominations require two club member signatures. Ironically, two of the himself in recognition of his peers.

The unanimous selection was made by a committee comprised of representatives from the Kiwanis Club and the with."



Tweed Kiwanis Club Past President Randy Kline and incoming Land o' Lakes Curling Club President Ev English congratulate 17-year-old Craig Martin as the first recipient of the Don Brown Memorial Volunteer Award.

nominations were forwarded by Craig Junior Curling Program as well as the incoming President of the Curling Club. Craig is honoured to have been chosen and acknowledges, "It's a very good award to receive. I curled with Don a few years ago and he was a great guy; great to curl

The month of December saw us cancelling our meetings yet again as Covid – Omicron took the province by storm. Until such time as we get a head of this new variant we will be meeting via Zoom. One of the treasured benefits of our club is our comradery. The spirit of that feeling will have to sustain us as we gather via the internet. Please join our Zoom meetings so that we can all keep the vibrancy of our club alive!

If you have some fun pictures or news stories from the past then please send them my way. The older the better. We are on a good footing today and that is due to the foundation established by those who came before us. Let's celebrate some of those heroes in addition to seeing what some of you looked like when you had hair!!!

Kiwanian Larry Cook and his band of Merry Elves mucking about at the Annual Municipality of Tweed Santa Claus Parade



PP Bob Sills & Kiwanian Terri Ward



Kiwanian Larry Cook, PP Bob Sills, PP Dave Cronhielm & PP Peter McConnell



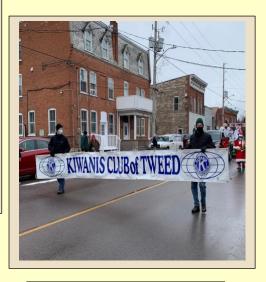
Here we come Broadway! Kiwanian Larry Cook and PP Peter McConnell.



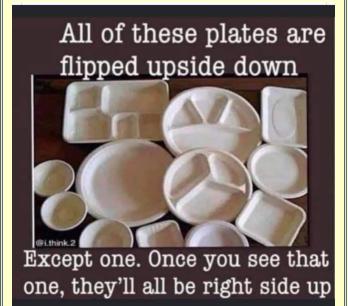
You can't get enough of these two hams!! Kiwanian Larry Cook and PP Peter McConnell doing the Kiwanian Elf Shuffle!



Our Magical Float



Our Banner Bearers We never miss an event!!





Fun on the Horizon!

Just as we thought we were winning this Covid battle and then Omicron has us putting on the brakes!! We are postponing our annual Pancake Breakfast until the spring.

February 14 February 19-20 March 17 April 17 Valentine's Day Tweed Winter Carnival St Patrick's Day Easter The Officer Said, "You're Staggering" I Said, "You're Quite Handsome Yourself" We Just Laughed And Laughed. I Need Bail Money.



ENGLISH IS HARD

- 1. The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2. The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3. The dump was so full it had to refuse refuse.
- 4. We polish Polish furniture.
- 5. He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- The man decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8. A bass was painted on the bass drum.
- 9. When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10. I did not object to the object.
- 11. The insurance for the invalid was invalid.
- 12. There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13. They were too close to the door to close it.

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| Tweed Kiwan | Tweed Kiwanis Board 2022 | | |
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| President | Paul Kite | | |
| President Elect | Don DeGenova | | |
| Vice President | Janice McConnell | | |
| Treasurer | Jim Roulston | | |
| Secretary | Al McNeil | | |
| Directors | PP Terry Dellar, PP Bill Summers, PP | | |
| | Chris Foran, PP Larry King, PP Bruce | | |
| | Bateman, Michael York | | |
| Past President | Michael Cassidy | | |

The Objects of Kiwanis

The six permanent Objects of Kiwanis International were approved by Kiwanis club delegates at the 1924 Kiwanis International Convention in Denver, Colorado. Through the decades, they have remained unchanged.

- 1: To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- 2: To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- 3: To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards.
- 4: To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.
- 5: To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities
- 6: To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.



Club Information Page

Did you know that as a Club we had 200 volunteer hours in Q4 2021 bringing us to 753 hours for the year! Way to go Team!!!

| Kiwanis Program | Chairperson |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Committees | |
| Audit/Financial Review | Adam Woolfrey |
| B.U.G., Builders Club, Terrific | Al McNeil |
| Kids, Key Leader, Literacy | |
| Partnership | |
| Electronic Communications | Vicki McCulloch |
| (Facebook, Website etc.) | |
| Executive Nominations | Past President |
| Interclubs | Bob Sills |
| Lottery | Al McNeil |
| Meals on Wheels | David Cronhielm |
| Membership | Peter McConnell |
| Membership List | Don DeGenova |
| Nevada | Janice McConnell |
| Newsletter | Don DeGenova |
| Pavilion | Peter McConnell |
| Playground | Jim Hanna |
| | Fred Albert |
| Speakers | David Cronhielm |
| Kiwanis Event | Chairperson |
| Committees | |
| Alzheimer's Walk | Chris Foran |
| | Jim Hanna |
| Bonspiel | Larry King |
| Chicken BBQ | Chris Foran |
| | Bruce Bateman |
| Christmas Kettles | Randy Kline |
| Christmas Party | Peter & Janice |
| | McConnell |
| Festival of Trees | Jim Roulston |
| Member's BBQ | Jack Robinson |
| Pancake Breakfast | Jim Pedersen |
| Parades | Larry Cook |
| Trash Bash | Jim Pedersen |

Kiwanians gathered at the Accessible Playground holding their Municipality of Tweed Volunteer Appreciation Award.



- \$500 to the BGH neonatal unit. (L-R) PP Peter McConnell, P Paul Kite & Steve Cook, Executive Director, Belleville General Hospital Foundation.
- \$1000 supporting the Central Hastings OPP 'Keep Kids Warm' campaign. (L - R) PP Peter McConnell, P/C Chris Marshall, P/C Brandan Copeland, PP Chris Foran and S/Sgt James Locke.
- 3. PP Syd Cain with a Christmas wish shared by many!
- \$500 donation to the Tweed CIBC Run for the Cure. Lyndsey Wannamaker & P Paul Kite.
- This year's Smile Cookie campaign raised a record \$5,274.40, breaking the previous 2020 record of \$4,530.00. A total of just over \$9,800 toward the Accessible Playground! Thanks to owners Korry Moore & Al Cummings. (L-R): PP/T Jim Roulston, PP Bob Sills, PP Chris Foran, PP Jim Hanna, PP Michael Cassidy, K Vicki McCulloch, Al Cummings, PLG Al McNeil & Korry Moore.







