

Meeting at the Best Western: Thursday, February 9, 2023 at 12:00 noonwww.brantfordkiwanis.org – Facebook www.facebook.com/brantfordkiwanisTwitter <https://twitter.com/kiwanisbrant>**E.C. & C. District***Governor*Anthony Haile
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Club Directors*2 Year Term*Maureen Henry
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Nancy Sherritt*1 Year Term*Phil Hoekstra
Joanne Murray
Graham Schram**PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 9TH**

Our guest speaker for today's luncheon meeting will be City of Brantford's **Mayor Kevin Davis**. He will share with us business before Council that may be of interest to Kiwanians.

Head Table: President **Dave Lewis**, **Mayor Kevin Davis**, Funmaster **Randy MacKenzie**, **Dave Neumann**, **Alex Morris**

UPCOMING MEETING PROGRAMS

Thursday, February 16th: **Zile Ozols**, Manager of Programming & Partnership, Brantford Public Library

Thursday, February 23rd: **Curtis Madden**, Paramedic, "Use of Automatic Defibrillators"

Thursday, March 2nd: The Kiwanis Club of Brantford's "**Invite a Guest**" luncheon meeting

Thursday, March 9th: **Camp Chiefswood**

Thursday, March 16th: **HCOL Paul Williamson** from the 56th Field Artillery Regiment

UPDATE REGARDING KIWANIAN BOB MACLEAN

As most of you are aware, **Bob MacLean** has been dealing with some complicated health issues and unable to attend meetings or fulfill his role as club Secretary. Bob wishes you all to know that his problem has not been resolved as yet and he is hospitalized. He is confident that his medical team will be able to diagnose and treat his health challenges, however, it may take some time. We wish Bob a speedy recovery!

KIWANIS CONVENTION DATES

E. C. & C. District Convention: May 18 through May 21, 2023 in Quebec City.

Kiwanis International Convention: June 21 through June 24, 2023 in Minneapolis – Virtually or In-Person

INTERCLUB OPPORTUNITY

Kiwanis Club of Guelph would like to invite Division 5 Members to an Interclub on February 11! **Festival Gala Concert & Fundraiser. Saturday, February 11 at 7:00 PM Guelph Youth Music Centre - 75 Cardigan St., Guelph.** Admission: \$25 - Adults / \$5 - Students/Children - Online Auction including several exciting Fantasy Items - Hors d'Oeuvres, Desserts & Chocolate Fountain - VQA Wine & Craft Beer - only \$5 a glass

Contact Festival Coordinator, **Heather Fleming** for further details heather@gkmf.ca / 519-821-4365 / gkmf.ca. Please let **Alfred Hauk** know if you are interested in attending AlfredHauk@MAC.com



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REQUESTING YOUR ASSISTANCE

You may already know that a small group of Kiwanians have been working on opening a new club in North Dumfries (Ayr) to become part of Division 5. It is with great pleasure that DPG **Peter Tudisco** is letting all of you know that they are progressing with this objective and an information meeting is being planned very soon. In order to maximize attendance and potential interest in membership, he is asking for your help. If you know someone who lives in Ayr, Roseville, Clyde or anywhere in North Dumfries Township Kiwanian Peter is requesting that you to send him their contact information so that they can be invited to the Information meeting. Please respond back to DPG Peter as soon as you can if you have any persons that can be invited. DPG Peter Tudisco peter@buonvino.com

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FEBRUARY 2ND

Our club members, joined by guests from the **Kiwanis Club of Cambridge**, were treated to a meeting held by the **Aktion Club** committee.



Presiding **President Chris** of the Aktion club called the meeting to order at 12:30PM and wished everyone a Happy Ground-Hog Day. President Chris indicated that he and the members of the Kiwanis Aktion Club of Brantford were pleased to be part of a joint meeting with the members of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford.



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Everyone in attendance joined together to sing the Canadian Anthem and our club members can sing! This was followed by reciting the objectives of the Aktion Club. Following are the Aktion Club's Objects.

- To live our lives by the Golden Rule, and make our community a better place to live, work and play.
- Be a Fruit Loop in a world full of Cheerios?



President Chris asked Kiwanian **Pallo Sahota** if we had any guests today. In turn Kiwanian Pallo called on guest **Peter Tudisco** of the Cambridge Club to introduce his two guests, Kiwanian **Jim Kropf** and Kiwanian **Connie Cody**. President Chris thanked the guests and all Kiwanians for joining us today.



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He then called on Secretary Kristie to do the roll call to confirm attendance of Aktion Club members and Advisors. **Secretary Kristy** read the minutes of the last Aktion club meeting and asked for a motion to accept the minutes and a Secunder. The motion was approved with all in favor.

President Chris asked Kiwanian **Jim Steele** to present the Slide of Birthday with members of both clubs and we all sang Happy Birthday in celebration.



Next up was Secretary Kristie who told us the origin and some variations of how the Ground Hog tradition came to be.



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Past Aktion Club President Kerry gave an explanation of the slide presented, highlighting the 14 years and activity and service the Kiwanis Aktion Club of Brantford's member have organized and performed.

We learnt that 2 of our Aktion Club members are gold medalists from the special Olympics. Equally impressive is the 200,000 pennies that the Aktion Club members collected and rolled! Now they are focused on raising 50,000 "Busy Beaver" nickels.





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Past President Colleen expressed the importance of being a “fruit loop in a bowl of cheerios” and with that said, everyone was asked to see if they have a red dot sticker on the back of their chair. Those with the red dot sticker, received a special gift... a box of fruit loops. Kiwanian Bob Saunders gave anyone that found a red dot a Decorative Carry-Bag containing their personal prize of a Box of Fruit-Loops.

President Chris called for Happy Stories which given by Mark, Heather and Terry

President Chris asked if anyone had any questions, seeing none, he thanked everyone for coming to the meeting including Peter Tudisco, Connie Cody and Jim Kropf. He also thanked the Kiwanis Club of Brantford for supporting the Aktion Club members and thanked us for the great lunch they had today.

President Chris adjourned the Aktion Club meeting and call on President **Dave Lewis** from the Kiwanis Club of Brantford.

President Dave thanked President Christ and all the Aktion Club members for a very well-run and interesting meeting and thanked them for their ongoing service and support for those in in need in our community. President Dave also said that it was always a delight to see the new ideas and ingenuity Aktion club members have when choosing and carrying out their projects.

President Dave called for Announcements and Committee Reports



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PDG Peter Tudisco from the Kiwanis Club of Cambridge thanked Kiwanian Connie from the Cambridge Club, and LG **Nelson McClinchey** and **Joanne Murray** from our club for their tremendous contributions and assistance. PDG Tudisco presented each with a lovely gift basket as an expression of his appreciation and gratitude. Peter made special mention about Joanne Murray's support not only to the new club but to her many years of support and contributions she has made with a particular reference to "a Heart of Gold". Very well deserved!

President Dave was asked by **Elaine Johnson** to let fellow Kiwanians know that **Bob Johnson** was moved to Long-Term Care last Friday and seems to be settling in as well as can be expected. He is in St. Joseph's Villa in Dundas on Governors Road. Elaine hopes to see us soon.



Kiwanis **Pallo Sahota** came forward to perform a special one-time 50/50 Draw. (In truth, she had to almost hit President Dave with a brick to remind him of the draw.) There were actually four tickets drawn today. The 1st prize of \$50 was drawn by Kiwanian Leo, way to go! The other three were for "a Decorative Carry-Bag containing their personal prize of a Box of Fruit-Loops."



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President Dave asked if there was anything else for the good of Kiwanis and seeing none adjourned the meeting at 1:20PM

BIRTHDAYS

Doug DeLaronde will celebrate his birthday on February 1st, **Pallo Sahota** on February 6th and **Bob Saunders** on February 10th. Happy Birthday Kiwanians!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to report this week!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Randy MacKenzie will mark 21 years as a Kiwanian on February 7th, and **Maureen Henry, Lisa Jacuniak** and **Nancy Sherritt** 2 years on February 10th.

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

The purpose of the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada is to provide financial support towards:

- Promoting and providing funds for Service Leadership Programs through scholarships to SLP members and sponsoring Key Leader
- Promoting and encouraging the presentation of scholarships by Kiwanis Clubs through the Matching Scholarship Program.
- Collecting funds and administering the National Disaster Relief Fund.
- Supporting special Kiwanis causes such as our current World Service Project Eliminate

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The character of our children tomorrow depends on what is put into their hearts today.

Current Membership – 52