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[View this email in your browser](#)**A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER from and about****THE KIWANIS CLUB OF BRANTFORD**

Meeting at the Best Western Brantford Hotel & Conference Centre:
Every Thursday at 12:00 noon

Current Membership – 52

E.C. & C. District*Governor*

Anthony Haile

KC of Curaçao

Governor Elect

John Chave

KC of Barrie

Vice Governor

Pamela Rodney White

KC of Constant Spring

Immediate Past Governor

Jim Scott

PROGRAM FOR MARCH 23RD

Our speaker today will be the Lieutenant Governor of the Eastern Canada & Caribbean District Division 5 - our club's won **Nelson McClinchey**. LG Nelson will provide an update regarding activities happening in the Division, with a focus on District Governor Anthony Haile's official divisional visit May 5th to 7th. Governor Anthony and his wife Ingrid are from the Caribbean island of Curacao. During their stay, Brantford will be their home base. PG **Joanne Murray** will also speak on the Role of Directors in the Board.

HEAD TABLE

President Dave Lewis, LG Nelson McClinchey, Funmaster Jim Steele, PG Joanne Murray, Leo Vos

KC of Forest City, London

Secretary/Treasurer

Jim Steele

KC of Brantford

Division Lt. Governor

Nelson McClinchey

KC of Brantford

Club Officers

President

David Lewis

Past President

Randy MacKenzie

President-Elect

Alfred Hauk

Treasurer

Jim Steele

Secretary

Joanne Murray

Club Directors

2 Year Term

Maureen Henry

Stuart Parkinson

Nancy Sherritt

1 Year Term

Phil Hoekstra

Graham Schram

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, March 30: Ela Stypa Jones, Donna Clement, Matt Cuthbert – Senior Games

Thursday, April 6: TBD

Thursday, April 13: Chuck Beach – The Tree Planting Initiative 2023

Thursday, April 20: Steve Richardson, Camp Manager – Circle Square Ranch

Thursday, April 27: Sheila Donald, Past District Trustee – What Key Leaders Do at Leadership Camp

Thursday, May 4: TBD

Thursday, May 11: **Annual General Meeting**

Thursday, May 18: Dr. David McNeil, Brant Community Healthcare System Foundation

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Social Committee – Join fellow Kiwanis members, guests and friends for Pub Night at Sammy's Rec Room, 10 Mt. Pleasant Street on Friday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. Evening of Dinner, Refreshments and good friends.

Children's Safety Village Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 8, 2023. Please let **Leo Vos** know if you can help.

Kiwanis Trivia Challenge – Thursday, April 13, 2023.

KIWANIS CONVENTIONS

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

AMPLIFY 2023

This year, the course will begin in April and conclude at an interactive, in-person event during the 2023 Kiwanis International Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota, U.S.A. (Those who don't attend the convention in person will still be able to attend an online capstone event). The participation fee is US\$200 for members of Kiwanis International and US\$600 for nonmembers.

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BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Phil Hoekstra** on March 24!

ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to report this week!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Bob Lefebvre will mark 44 years as a member of this club on March 29, **Todd Graves** 28 years on March 31, and **Joan**

Griffin 27 years on April 1!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

A "service project" is defined by Kiwanis International as "an activity consistent with the Objects, objectives, and policies of Kiwanis International, which is devised or planned by a Kiwanis club or a club committee and performed by members of the club for the benefit of others".

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Life is like a game of tennis; the player who serves well seldom loses.

To view what happened at last week's meeting, please click on the button below

Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 16 March, 2023 Weekly Meeting

This meeting was called to order by President Dave at 12:30PM. He welcomed Fellow Kiwanians and Guests Paul Williamson and Murray Angus who were more appropriately introduced later in the program. The meeting had a focus celebrating St Patrick's Day tomorrow, 17-March-2023.



Following the Thought-of-the-Day, Kiwanian Pallo, organized the weekly 50/50 draw with some difficulty with tickets being up-side down but she soon sorted it out. Neither of the two lucky ticket holders drew the **Joker** so the pot continues to rise. Good luck next week. As well sorry but no luck today for Todd or Ken either.

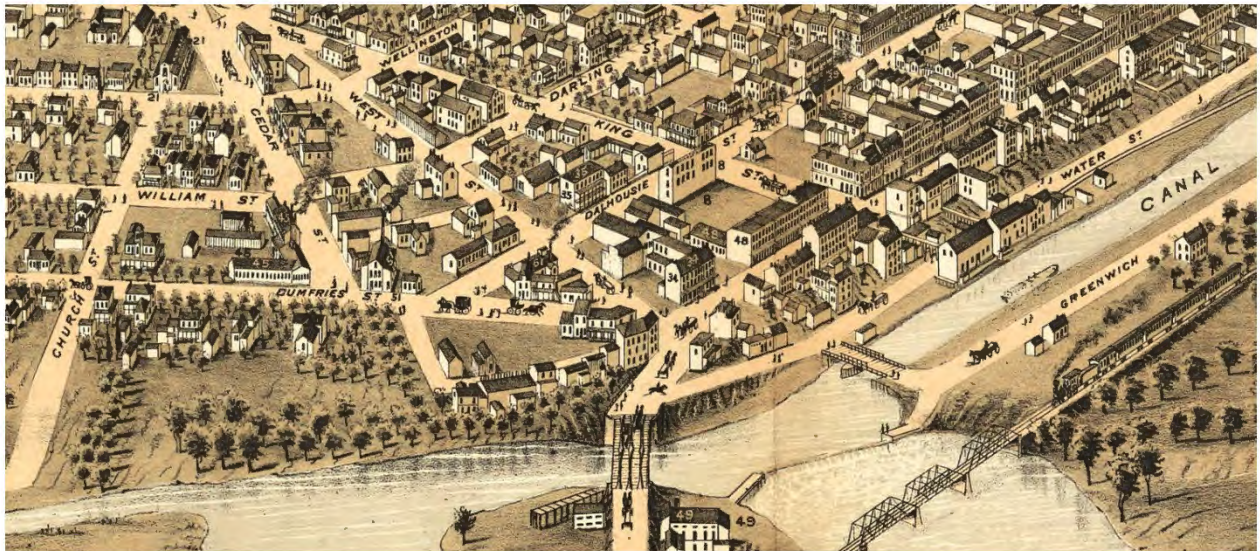
Keeping with tradition, Funmaster Kiwanian Kathryn was dressed tip to toe in Green. Kathryn recounted a brief history of the origin of St Patrick's Day and how it is now celebrated in many countries around the world. After finishing the history, she challenged the members with questions and gifts for the correct answers. The gifts were Easter treats of chocolate as opposed to any liquid libation. She noted that we had two members birthdays that were presented on the screen but noted the DST Jim Steele's 40th anniversary of joining the Club on March 17th was oddly absent from the list and made sure it was soundly celebrated by all present.



Kiwanian Nancy Sherritt introduced our two speakers Murray Angus and Paul Williamson. Their subject was the 56th Field Artillery Regiment and its history in Brantford in the Brant Avenue Armory. Murray Angus opened with the history of a map of Brantford with many interesting details about Joseph Brant's grandson in the 1st World War, up to the Remembrance Day celebration in 2022.



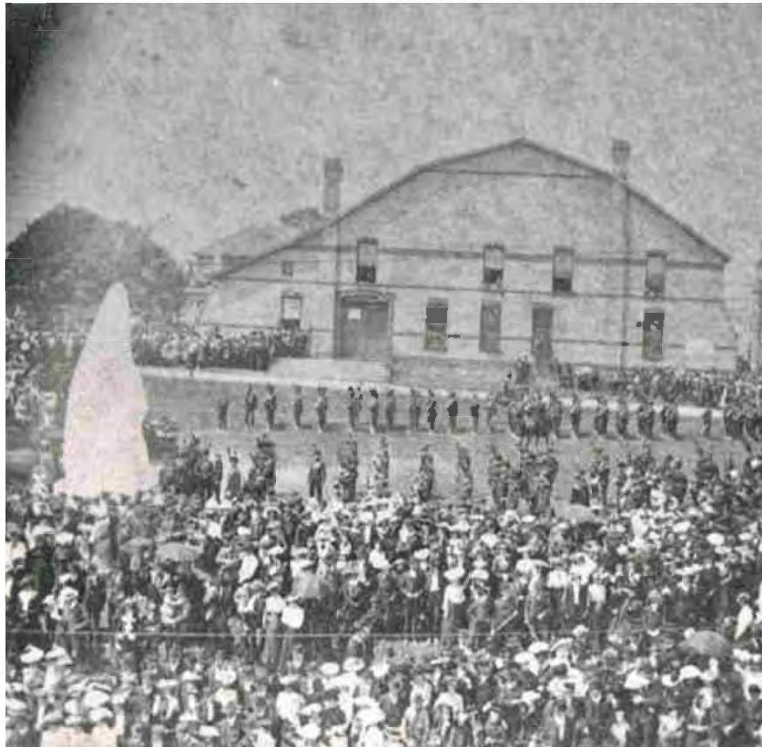
Following is a picture of the area where the current Brantford Avenue Armoury was constructed in 1893.



The Officers below are from the Dufferin Rifles from 1874



In 1902 the Boer War Monument was unveiled, in front of the Brantford Armoury in a grainy black and white picture (below)



Our next Speaker was HCOL Paul Williamson, who spoke about some specific incidents that have been recorded and have been passed down as family knowledge to many residents of Brantford and Brant County. Paul spoke about this type of bayonet that was used by the 4th Battalion. 4th (Central Ontario) Battalion was an infantry battalion raised as part of the



Canadian Expeditionary Force for service during the First World

War. Within several weeks of its formation, the battalion embarked at Quebec on 3 October 1914 aboard the transport Tyrolia, bound for the United Kingdom. Throughout its involvement in the fighting on the Western Front, the 4th Battalion took part in the following battles: Ypres (1915) Passchendaele (1917); Gravenstafel; St. Julien; Festubert (1915); Mount Sorrel; Somme (1916); Flers-Courcelette; Ancre Heights; Arras (1917); Vimy (1917); Arleux; Scarpe (1918); Hill 70; Passchendaele; Amiens; Drocourt-Quéant; Hindenburg Line; Canal du Nord; Pursuit to Mons.

The image is a German Luger and an American Colt handgun, that Paul's father bought back to Brantford after one of his missions. A German soldier took aim with the Luger at Paul's Father and pulled the trigger but it misfired. Paul's father drew his gun, shot the other soldier and collected the Luger.

PP Alex Morris thanked both Paul Williamson and Murray Angus for their memories and trip back into the history of the Brantford 56th Field Artillery Regiment.



Following are some pictures of our members participating, learning and enjoying themselves.



President Dave thanked all Members and our Guest Speakers, Paul Williamson and Murray Angus. Special thanks to Funmaster Kathryn and Kiwanian Faye for the wonderful St Patrick's day centre-pieces. Thanks were given to Kiwanian Pallo for organizing the 50/50 draw and gave her best wishes on her upcoming holidays.

After the final Thought for the Day, the Bell was struck and the meeting Adjourned.