



Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter April 13, 2023

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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 APRIL 13TH

The Brant Tree Coalition was formed in 2005. Over the past 17 years, the Coalition has undertaken naturalization projects through community native tree planting events. Our guest speaker, **Chuck Beech**, will discuss some of the past projects and provide an update on proposed spring 2023 tree planting events.

HEAD TABLE

President Dave Lewis, Funmaster Bob Saunders, Chuck Beech, Linda Moyer and Jim Steele

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

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

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

Thursday, May 25: TBD

Thursday, June 1: Report from Delegates to Kiwanis
Convention

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Kiwanis Trivia Challenge – Thursday, April 13, 2023.

Divisional Council Meeting & Governor's Luncheon –

Saturday, May 6, 2023 at the Best Western Hotel &
Conference Centre.

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.

[Click here to download Amplify Flyer](#)

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BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Nancy Thompson** who will celebrate her
special day on April 19!

ANNIVERSARIES

Ken & Robin McNaughton will celebrate their wedding
anniversary on April 13, **Bob & Anne Saunders** on April 1
and **Eardly & Natalie Judah** on April 22. Congratulations!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Nothing to report this week!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

Only chartered Kiwanis clubs are members of Kiwanis International. Each Kiwanian is a member of his or
her club; no individual is a member of Kiwanis International.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The first gift we can bestow on others is a good example. ~ Charles Morell ~

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Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 06 April, 2023 Weekly Meeting

President Dave started the meeting at 12:30PM. He welcomed Fellow Kiwanians and Guests: Karen Towler, Scott Adams, Valentina McGrandles and Lee Anne Chan. As this is our 1st meeting of the month, President Dave read our Land Acknowledgement to the Host Nation Peoples and their traditional territory.



After the opening Thought-for-the-day, Kiwanian Phil, just back from a vacation in Portugal and a bit jet-lagged, presided over the weekly 50/50 draw. PLG Bob Lefebvre and New Member Karen Towler held potential winning tickets however, both were unable to find the Joker. The pot was at \$260 and continues to rise.



Our Funmaster PLG Bob Lefebvre was called to the podium. He reviewed member birthday's and anniversaries of joining the Club with rounds of applause. He regaled us with several humorous stories and assured us that the duck in the story didn't really have his web feet nailed to the deck. Bob did manage to get some Happy Dollars into the pot with Happy Stories from several members.

PLG Bob, was thanked by President Dave for being able to attend today, and for the smiles that he brought to us.



LG Nelson who directed the Induction Ceremony of our new members was invited to come to the microphone by President Dave.

He called on Kiwanis Leo to come forward and read the Objects of Kiwanis.



LG Nelson then gave a bulleted history about our Development of our Club Name, and the Objects of Kiwanis starting with the history 1914 in Detroit Michigan to date.

He highlighted that significant changes were made to the Club's original name from 1914. The original name was the Benevolent Order of Brothers (BOB) and was changed to "Kiwanis" in 1915. The Original Creed that was developed in 1917, was a wordy document that last until 1918 Convention. At this Convention the constitution was revised and the Creed, was modified within

our constitutions and defined as the “Objects” of Kiwanis. This document stood until June of 1924, when over 800 pages of suggested changes were made at the Denver Colorado Convention. Six new Objects were presented and approved as the Objects of Kiwanis at that convention and have remained unchanged since.

LG Nelson call Kiwanian Joanne Murray to the podium to introduce the new members to our Club.

Kiwanian Joanne, asked New Kiwanian Valentina and Karen Towler to join her at the podium. Kiwanian Joanne gave a brief background of both Valentina McGrandles – Office Coordinator Enterprise Brant and Karen Towler – Conestoga College Brant Program Manager, School of Business (Brant).



On behalf of the members, Kiwanian Joanne said it was her honour to formally welcome each to the Kiwanis Club of Brantford – a proud club with a 104, year history of accomplished service to children and to the Brantford community.

Kiwanian Joanne, informed Kiwanian Valentina and Kiwanian Karen, that they would be presented with their Kiwanis pin and asked that they wear it proudly. They would also receive their Kiwanis Club of Brantford Signature Card. Obtaining the signature of all the members of the club is a long-standing tradition in our club. Kiwanian Joanne asked that Fellow Kiwanians, after the meeting today, to please introduce yourself to our new members and sign their signature card.

All those in attendance were ask to rise and greet our new members with warm and welcome applause.



Left to Right

Joanne Muarry, Nelson McClinchey, Valentina McGrandles, Karen Towler, Dave Lewis

LG Nelson closed the induction ceremonies with the following statement.

Something special is happening in **Our service club** that has been in existence for 104 years. Our club continues to be relevant in our community. It continues to respond to the needs of the children who live here. It continues to deliver service with a caring, enthusiastic spirit, and as a result, our club continues to attract and welcome outstanding members of our community, like the members we have welcomed today.

Thank You

LG Nelson handed the meeting back to President Dave who thanked him and the new members for attending today.

Following are some candid pictures of our Members and Guests at this meeting.



Members requested time for Committee Reports and Announcements:

- President Dave read an Easter Card received from the Aktion Club of Brantford, wishing us a Happy Easter with the following text: "Thank you for all of your help and Kindness all year. You make our Aktion Club really great. Thanks, from the Aktion Club and Kerry."
- Maureen Henry reminded all members to bring the various items requested for Kiwanis Kindness Day, to be collected each week between now and Friday 21-April for accumulation.
- Leo Vos reminded us of the Trivia Challenge occurring on Thursday 13-April at the Best Western and that players are still required.
- Leo Vos also reminded us of the Easter Egg hunt at the Childrens Safety Village Saturday 08-April-2023 10:30AM – 1:30PM

President Dave thanked all Members and our Guests: Scott Adams, Lee Ann Chan and New Members Valentina McGrandles and Karen Towler a Happy and Safe Easter weekend.

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