

Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter April 27, 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 27TH

Kiwanis Past District Trustee **Sheila Donald** will speak about the **Key Leader** Program and Developing Leaders for Life. Key Leader by Kiwanis is a weekend leadership program for high school and graduating 8th Grade students. The mission is to inspire young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership.

HEAD TABLE

President Dave Lewis, Funmaster Joel Balberman, Past District Trustee Sheila Donald, Joanne Murray, and Randy MacKenzie

UPCOMING MEETINGS

1 of 3 24-Apr-23, 7:28 a.m.

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, May 4: Karen Towler - Conestoga College

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 District

Convention

Thursday, June 8: TBD

Thursday, June 15: NO MEETING DUE TO PLOUGHMAN'S

LUNCH

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

<u>Divisional Council Meeting & Governor's Luncheon</u> – Saturday, May 6, 2023 at the Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre.

StoryJam LitFest - May 26th - May 27th

KIWANIS CONVENTIONS

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

<u>Kiwanis International Convention</u> – June 21 through June 24, 2023 in Minneapolis. Virtually or In–Person

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In accordance with the Kiwanis Club of Brantford Bylaws Article 4 and Mandatory Policy C, the officers of the club are President, Immediate Past President, President-elect, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The term of each officer is October 1st to September 30th. The election of officers for the next administrative year will be held at the Annual General Meeting of the Club to be held no later than May 15th. This year, the Annual General Meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford will be Thursday, May 11th. Members interested in serving in the Position of Vice President for the 2023-2024 Administrative Year are requested to contact Immediate Past President Randy MacKenzie by April 20, 2023 for an overview of the duties of the position - randy mackenzie@hotmail.com or 519-753-9887

BIRTHDAYS

Joel Balberman will celebrate his birthday on May 2nd. Happy Birthday Kiwanian Joel!

ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to celebrate this week!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Paulette Hauk and **Melanie Mackay** will both mark 1 year as a member of Kiwanis on April 28th, **Angee Turnbull** 9 years on May 1st and **Doug DeLaronde** 24 years on May 6th!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

The first Kiwanis motto, "We Build", was adopted in 1920. It was proposed by Roe Fulkerson, first editor of the Kiwanis Magazine, who later said, "God inspired me to write those two words - We Build. I am prouder of them than any other accomplishment in my life" It was replaced 85 years later.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start. ~ Nido Qubein ~

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Last Week's Meeting Highlights







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Highlights of the Thursday, 20 April, 2023 Weekly Meeting



President Dave started the meeting at 12:30PM. He welcomed Fellow Kiwanians and Guest Speaker Steve Richardson

Kiwanian Phil was called to the front desk to officiate the Weekly 50/50 draw, with today's pot of \$349. Nancy Sherritt and Pallo Sahota were the lucky ticket holders but their luck did not include finding the "Joker" buried in the remaining cards. The pot will continue to grow for next week.



Our Funmaster was Kiwanian Paul, who led off with a presentation called "Finish the Phrase". He used a seemingly simple list of nine phrases, that started with well known text, and challenged our members to complete the phrase. The twist that Paul had worked into his presentation was, that the answer was to be a "paraprosdokian" ending. As an example "Behind every great man there is a woman rolling her eyes". Most members caught the



gist of this twist and had fun with various possible endings to each phrase. Paul acknowledge the birthday's and anniversaries of members that occurred this week and moved on to Happy Stories and related Happy donations from several members.

Kiwanis Paul was thanked by President Dave for an ingenious, informative and fun presentation.



Kiwanian Stuart Parkinson was called to the podium and introduced our Guest speaker, Steve Richardson, Manager of the Circle Square Ranch Grand River.

Steve Richardson, of the Circle Square Ranch Grand River, was warmly welcome by our members and proceeded to give the background of the Ranch from its origin, with milestones in ownership and structure changes over the years to the current status of the Circle Square Ranch Grand River.

Circle Square was supported originally as part of the Crossroads Christian Communications TV program called Circle Square, which aired on TV in the 1970's. Several children's summer camps were birthed as a result of an overwhelming response from the Canadian public to the show. Although the television program came to an end, several camps are still in operation today.



Since 1985, more than 23,000 campers have been welcomed to the beautiful rolling countryside in southern Ontario, just minutes from the cities of Brantford and Hamilton.

In April 2011, Crossroads transferred ownership of five, Circle Square Ranches to InterVarsity. These camps are located in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario.

Our Circle Square Ranch Grand River has a vast range of programs which make the camps appealing to children and teens. Campers are encouraged to try new and exciting activities that are challenging and fun. Exploring the beautiful outdoors with friends is part of each fun-filled day at camp. Campers participate in a variety of instructional and recreational activities based on the specific camp type to which they are registered. Circle Square Ranch Grand River is the perfect destination for kids to have new experiences while learning lifelong skills, developing their character and lifelong friends.

Steve answered questions at the end of his presentation and was formally thanked on behalf of the members of the Club by Secretary Joanne.

Following are some pictures of registrants enjoying the Circle Square Ranch Grand River Camp.





Committee Reports and Announcements:

- Secretary Joanne, reminded all members to ensure they register for the DCM and Lunch with the Governor on Saturday May 6, 2023, only \$25.
- Kiwanian Linda Moyer reminded us about the Kiwanis Kindness Day
 activities this Friday 21-April, when will meet at the Children's Safety Village at 9:00AM
 with donations collected and take them to the various planned recipients.
- Maureen Henry made an announcement about the LitFest StoryJam, confirming the
 dates, times and the need for volunteers. She also mentioned that if any members wish
 to make donation to this Project, they can do it through Interac or Credit Card, as a
 Charitable Donation through Kiwanis.

President Dave thanked all Members and guest speaker Steve Richardson and wished everyone a safe and happy weekend.

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





Still looking for the "Joker"?