



Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter May 4, 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 MAY 4TH

One of our own members, **Karen Towler**, Academic Manager, School of Business, Brantford Campus, Conestoga, will give a presentation on Conestoga in Brantford and the great opportunities it has brought to this community.

HEAD TABLE

President Dave Lewis, Funmaster Randy MacKenzie, Karen Towler, Linda Moyer, and Phil Hoekstra

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

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

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

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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 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**

Thursday, June 22: Brian Wood, Bell Homestead Director

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Divisional Council Meeting & Governor's Luncheon –

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

StoryJam LitFest – May 27th

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

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

Nothing to report this week!

ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to celebrate this week!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Doug DeLaronde will mark 24 years as a Kiwanian on May 6th, **Kathryn Kissinger** and **Chris Rowan** 1 year on May 11th, and **Simran Shoker** 1 year on May 12th!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

The second Object of Kiwanis International is "To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships".

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Tact is the art of convincing people that they know more than you do. ~ Raymond Mortimer ~

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Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 27 April, 2023 Weekly Meeting

President Dave started the meeting at 12:30PM. He welcomed Fellow Kiwanians and Guest Speaker Sheila Donald, and made special mention, that it was good to see Chris Rowan and one of our newest members Karen Towler in attendance.



Kiwanian Phil was called to the podium to officiate the weekly 50/50 draw, with today's pot at \$395. He meticulously outline the process and objective of this event but alas, neither Linda Moyer and Bob Wade who had the lucky tickets could find the "Joker". The pot continues to grow.



Our Funmaster was Kiwanian Joel with an April Theme relating to taxes. He sighted a simplified tax formula that was in the Readers Digest 70 years ago. It went as follows:

1. What was your income for the Year?
2. What were your expenses?
3. How much do you have left?
4. Send it in.

Joel followed with Birthday's and Anniversaries, one of which was his own and then call on a few members who had some happy stories. Kiwanis Joel was thanked by President Dave for the smiles and nuggets of knowledge he had freely shared.



Kiwanian Secretary Joanne, was called to the podium and introduced our Guest speaker, Sheila Donald, Past District Trustee who was speaking to us about the Kiwanis Key Leader initiative. Her topic was title: "Developing Leaders for Life". Since PDT Sheila has been a friend and acquaintance of many members of this Club for a number of years, and interrupted her Camping trip to speak with us, she was presented with a "Goodies Basket" to show our appreciation for coming to this meeting.



PDT Sheila began with a video she just received from a Key Leader Camp in Nova Scotia showing several images of teens joining in happily at a Camp that just ended this past week. One question that arose was why were some people balancing a piece of paper on their heads? Sheila said she would let us know.

Sheila used a screen presentation to outline the purpose and various components of the Key Leader Camp Project. Following are some of several items she reviewed, presented in point form.

- Kiwanis Strategic goal - Kiwanis will be the premier provider of programs which develop competent, knowledgeable and ethical youth and adult leaders.
- Key Leader is a weekend service leadership retreat for High School students. In most cases, events are held at residence camp facilities. Teens are placed into “neighborhoods” for the weekend, which allows for group work and discussion during break out sessions.
- The Key Leader mission is the driving force of the program, which is the core of Kiwanis since 1915 – how to better serve others and the children of the world.
- What is Leadership? – understand the you become a better person by helping others:
 - Integrity - are the students’ values that they hold, doing the right thing
 - Growth – Developing in Mind, Body, and Spirit
 - Respect – Showing consideration for self, others, and property
 - Community – Developing relationships to achieve positive goals
 - Pursuit of Excellence - Expecting and achieving the best
 - Students spend from 6:00pm Friday until noon on Sunday learning our Six Principles, as well as other life skills, and how to incorporate them into their daily lives.
- Natali is a Kiwanis member, who volunteered for a recent Key Leader event.

“Key Leader has been an ‘aha’ moment, not only for me, but also for the students who attend. It gives insight to the Kiwanis mission and the amazing potential our youth have to offer.”



- Today's teens are tomorrow's leaders. Through Key Leader, you and your club can make a difference in a teen's life.



PDT Sheila ended her presentation by answering a number of questions and supplying the following information.

If you have any questions about: Registering for existing events; Accessing promotional/sponsorship materials; Connecting with Kiwanis International staff, etc.

Contact www.Key-Leader.org or Email District Coordinator - s.donald@cogeco.ca

PDT Sheila was formally thanked for her informative and enthusiastic presentation by PP Randy and, further thanked on behalf of the members by President Dave for timely and relevant information, that we can put into action for the October 2023 Camps.

Committee Reports and Announcements:

- Kiwanian Linda Moyer presented a short presentation about the success of the Kiwanis Kindness Day activities this Friday 21-April, with 20 of our Kiwanis members performing more than 702 acts of kindness on this one day. Congratulations
- LG Nelson reminded members that if they have not registered for Governor Anthony's Visit, DCM and lunch for next weekend, there is still a little time.
- PP Randy restated the request for anyone who is interested in letting their name stand for the Vice President's position in 2025-2026, to contact him by phone or email.

President Dave thanked all Members and guest speaker Sheila Donald and wished everyone a safe and happy weekend.

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