



Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter September 21, 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 – 55



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 SEPTEMBER 21

Robin Mummery, from the Alzheimer's Association, will deliver a presentation focused on Brain Health and Wellness, in particular, dementia awareness.

HEAD TABLE

President Dave Lewis, Guest Speaker Robin Mummery, Funmaster Bob Lefebvre, Introducer Linda Moyer, Thanker Jim Steele, and guests Lucy Marco, Jennifer Miller, and Janice Kurcharew

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, September 28: A Retrospective of the Past Year from President Dave Lewis

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, October 5: Recognition Meeting

Thursday, October 12: Justin Sahota, Reusable Packing

Innovations/Solutions

Thursday, October 19: Anna Gaston, Wildlife Photographer

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, September 23, 2023 – Kiwanis Club of Stratford's

75th Anniversary Gala has been **cancelled**. Money will be refunded to members and guests who have already paid.

The Kiwanis Club of Forest City-London will be hosting a Headliners Speaker series this fall.

September 21: Speaker Win Wahrer, co-founder of Innocence Canada

October 18: Speakers Laura Robinson and Kate Bahen, journalists who broke the Hockey Canada scandal

November 16: Speaker Ron Gosbee, who will share his experiences while living in a residential school in Northern Ontario

Thursday, October 5, 2023 – New club "The Kiwanis Club of North Dumfries" Charter Night Celebration at the Ridge Social Eatery, [3215 Roseville Road, Ayr](#). Cost is \$60.00 per person. The food to be served will be an appetizer buffet. RSVP – E-Transfer to peter@buonvino.com. Please remember to include names of attendees for the guest list.

Thursday, October 5, 2023 – Kiwanis Club of Guelph Interclub Invitation at Belwood Lodge & Camp at 6:00 p.m. Cost \$55.00 per person for Duck Dinner to get people together for some fun and to tour the camp. Roast beef is an option if duck isn't your preference. Contact Steve & Sharron Bond to reserve your tickets. ssbond@rogers.com

BIRTHDAYS

Linda Moyer and **Sadeki Simpson** will both be celebrating their birthday on September 22nd and **Stuart Parkinson** on September 30th. Best Wishes Kiwanians!

ANNIVERSARIES

Bob & Dorathy Ritchie will celebrate their wedding anniversary on September 26th. Best Wishes!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Bob MacLean will mark 25 years as a member of this club on September 30th and **Ross Pope** 29 years on September 30th!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

Kiwanis became international with the organization of the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton in Ontario, Canada, in November 1916. However, the organization's official name, "Kiwanis Club," was not changed to "Kiwanis International" until the Constitutional Convention in Denver in 1924.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals.". ~ Henry David Thoreau ~

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Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 14 September, 2023 Weekly Meeting

President Dave called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m welcoming all members. No Guests were present for this meeting.



After the thought of the day, Kiwanian Phil oversaw our regular 50/50 Draw. There were 33 cards left in the deck today and four potential winning tickets were drawn. The 1st ticket holder was Graham Schram, 2nd, Phil Hoekstra, 3rd Ken MacNaughton and 4th Ken MacNaughton. No one was able to find the illusive Joker. The pot continues to grow for next week. Good Luck to all.

Ken MacNaughton was Funmaster today and observed that we have focused in the past on lawyers, dentists, realtors but, today he was going to target, Financial Advisors. Following are a couple of short examples.

"After I spoke to my financial adviser I slept like a baby. I woke up every hour and cried."

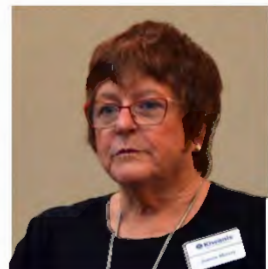


"I'm not saying my financial adviser is bad at her job... but when I went into her office and asked her to check my balance, she tried to push me over."

"A client asks his adviser, "where should I invest my money?" "Put it on booze," the adviser says. "Where else you gonna get 40%?"

We had a quite a number of Happy Stories, after which Ken handed the Mic over to Joanne Murray to introduce our speaker for today, PE Alfred Hauk.

Joanne Murray Introduced PE Alfred Hauk briefly and welcomed him as "Almost" President Alfred.



President Elect Alfred welcomed everyone and began by reviewing the importance of the Club Leadership Training that he and several other key members of his Board for 2023-24 attended, which was held in July 2023.

Alfred related a number of the experiences he has had with the Kiwanis Club of Brantford since he joined on 07-October-2019. He has underwent going from "In Person" meetings to "Zoom" meetings and back to "In Person" events due to Covid.

He said that even at the start of this year, we were still under the cloud and restrictions of the Covid virus. He observed that, throughout the time he had been with us, we continue to do what ever service to the community we could, and this year 2022-23, we were able to achieve many of the events we planned at last years President's Planning Conference.

Alfred then reviewed his own President's Planning Conference, which was held on Saturday 19-August-2023 at his and Paulette's cottage in Port Rowan. With most of the Board Members and Committee Chairs present, he reviewed the coming year's activities, adjusting dates and time, to minimize conflict and allow better pre-planning of resources and marketing. He took away a draft plan from that meeting and reviewed many of the updated details at this meeting today. It is a work in process that will continue through out this year as we adapt to changes as needed.

Although his information was important and crucial to the performance of effectively running the upcoming year's activities, Alfred presented the information with sincerity but often added witty comments which brought smiles to many faces.

He wrapped up by saying that he and Paulette had really enjoyed the Social that was held this past Friday and that he has heard about many of the past Social events at many different venues, and looked forward to seeing these Social events reactivated this coming year.

DST Jim Steele was called to the podium as part of Alfred's presentation and reviewed the Eastern Canada and the Carribean District Distinguished Program for 2023-2024.



This Program has five components that are to be achieved for our Club to be become a Distinguished Club, and Alfred to become a Distinguished President.

Each Item listed below has a number of related sub components

1. Membership and Engagement
2. Community Impact
3. Kiwanis Image
4. Financial Viability
5. Leadership and Education

DST Jim passed the mic back to President Dave who thanked "Almost" President Alfred for his informative and often entertaining presentation.

Committee Reports and Announcements:

- President Dave reported that our members have volunteered 75 hours on the Staples Back to School Project, which ran from 17 August to 10 September, with the result that the public has donated \$7,768.06. These funds will be allocated to schools in Brantford for students in need of back-to-school supplies.
- A reminder was made to all volunteers to attend the Grand Parade at PJ/Kiwanis Field this Saturday 16-September at approximately 8:00 a.m. until noon.

After the final thought for the day, President Dave thanked all members and guest speaker PE Alfred Hauk for being with us today and wished them all a great weekend,

No further announcements or comments were made, therefore the meeting was adjourn with the ringing of the bell. Have a great weekend everyone.