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**Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter February 15, 2024**

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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

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**Current Membership – 49**



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E.C. & C. District

*Governor*

John Chave  
KC of Barrie

*Governor Elect*

Pamela Rodney White  
KC of Constant Spring

*Vice Governor*

Cynthina Blackman  
KC of Pride of Barbados

*Immediate Past Governor*

Anthony Haile

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**PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

Local historian, Murray Angus, will present on historic family businesses in downtown Brantford.

**HEAD TABLE**

President Alf Hauk, Guest Speaker Murray Angus, Funmaster Jim Steele, Introducer Linda Moyer, Thanker Joanne Murray, and those invited by the House & Reception Committee .

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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KC of Curacao

*Secretary/Treasurer*

Jim Steele  
KC of Brantford

*Division Lt. Governor*

David MacLennan  
KC of Stratford

Club Officers

*President*  
Alfred Hauk

*Past President*

David Lewis

*President-Elect*

Nancy Thompson

*Treasurer*

Jim Steele

*Secretary*

Bob MacLean

Club Directors

*2 Year Term*

Randy MacKenzie  
Leo Vos  
Bob Wade

*1 Year Term*

Stuart Parkinson  
Graham Schram  
Nancy Sherritt

Thursday, February 22: Cheque Presentation to Brantford  
General Hospital Foundation

Thursday, February 29: 105th Anniversary of the Kiwanis  
Club of Brantford

Thursday, March 7: TBD

Thursday, March 14: St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Thursday, March 21: Melissa Siegel, Dietician, Healthy  
Eating from the Pantry

Thursday, March 28: Ontario Health Network, Dementia  
Awareness

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Kirby Brown will celebrate his birthday on February 23rd.  
Happy Birthday Kiwanian Kirby!

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Nothing to report this week!

## **ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED**

Nothing to report this week!

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## **EDUCATIONAL SPOT**

Eastern Canada & the Caribbean District is home to over 284 Kiwanis clubs. These clubs are divided up into Divisions. Each Division is led by a Lieutenant Governor, who reports to the Governor.

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## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

There is always light. If only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it.  
~ Amanda Gorman ~

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**Last Week's Meeting Highlights**



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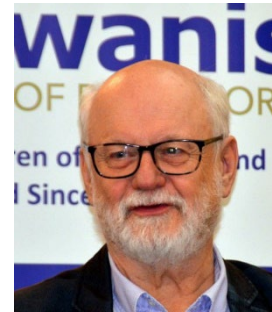
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## Highlights of the Thursday, February 8, 2024 Weekly Meeting

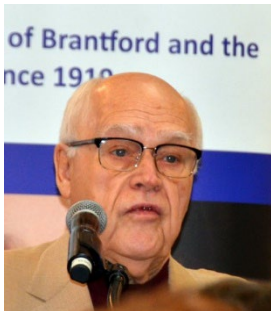
President Alf got the meeting rolling on time, with the opening bell rung precisely at 12:00 noon followed by a welcome to special guest LG David MacLennan.



Following Thought for the Day by Alf, Joanne Murray moved to the lectern and reminded us Valentine's Day was just around the corner. She distributed colourful sheets of paper (red, of course) and asked those at each table to record their favourite love song and then we would hear from a representative at each table. Choices were heard from the 30's to the present, some stirring old memories, and others a laugh or two. Joanne promised to send each member a list of all the choices.



The draw was held next by Phil Hoekstra, with Nelson as the first unlucky candidate followed by Phil, whose draw for the elusive joker gave us a larger pot for next week. One person's despair is another person's dream!



Flush from his moment of excitement, Nelson was up again to introduce a man who needs no introduction to this group, and always welcome, LG David MacLennan. David is a man, passionate about all aspects of education, and also about Kiwanis as this is his second time as Lieutenant Governor. David let us know we were going to hear about his current role as a Faculty Teaching Coach at Conestoga College. We saw a short conception video about teaching and learning and how they are being applied at Conestoga. As a coach he sits in on various classes to observe the teaching style of the teacher. He completes a form covering details of what he has observed. At a later time he meets with the teacher to discuss his evaluation, one that covers the teacher's handling of course content as well as the process.



David offers suggestions on the "how" of presenting so that his audience pays attention, as well as how to deal with side discussions and other challenges in helping students learn. He believes in the approach of "I do, we do, and you do". He stresses to the teacher he is observing, "We are colleagues and I'm here to support you". He discusses the oncoming unknown of AI and other filters that must be dealt with.

David then said he believed that all this can be applied to Kiwanis as well. It could allow us to look to see where we are as compared to where we should be, what the skills are that are missing, skills we should be seeking as we look for new members. On this note, David finished his presentation. He was thanked by Jim Steele following a few questions and answers.