

Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter February 8, 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

Current Membership - 49



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

PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 8, 2024

We are pleased to welcome Division 5 Lieutenant Governor David MacLennan to talk to us about Kiwanis goals and direction for the remainder of the year.

HEAD TABLE

President Alf Hauk, Guest Speaker LG David MacLennan, Funmaster Joanne Murray, Introducer Nelson McClinchey, Thanker Jim Steele, and those invited by the House & Reception Committee.

KC of Curacao

Secretary/Treasurer Jim Steele KC of Brantford

Division Lt. Governor David MacLennan KC of Stratford

<u>Club Officers</u> *President* Alfred Hauk

Past President David Lewis

President-Elect Nancy Thompson

Treasurer Jim Steele

Secretary Bob MacLean

<u>Club Directors</u> 2 Year Term Randy MacKenzie Leo Vos Bob Wade

1 Year Term Stuart Parkinson Graham Schram Nancy Sherritt

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, February 15: Murray Angus, Family Businesses in Downtown Brantford <u>Thursday, February 22</u>: Cheque Presentation to Brantford General Hospital Foundation <u>Thursday, February 29</u>: 105th Anniversary of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford <u>Thursday, March 7</u>: TBD <u>Thursday, March 14</u>: St. Patrick's Day Celebration <u>Thursday, March 21</u>: Melissa Siegel, Dietician, Healthy Easting from the Pantry

BIRTHDAYS

Bob Saunders will celebrate his birthday on February 10th and Valentina McGrandles on February 14th. Happy Birthday Kiwanians!

ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to report!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Kiwanians Maureen Henry, Lisa Jacuniak, and Nancy Sherritt will mark 3 years as members of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford on February 10th and Nancy Thompson 6 years on February 14th!

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

Kiwanis dues cannot be claimed as a personal tax deduction. As nonprofit corporations, Kiwanis clubs do not pay taxes on income. But Kiwanis clubs do not qualify as deductible charities for members or donors who provide the club's income. This is why some clubs, districts, and Kiwanis International have established charitable foundations to receive tax-deductible donations for service purposes.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give. ~ Kahlil Gibran ~

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Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 01 February, 2024 Weekly Meeting

President Alfred Hauk called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM, welcoming all members and Guest Speaker Glenn Brown, Theatre Manager, Sanderson Centre and Guest Giovani Liberati, Peter Liberati's Father.

President Alfred opened the meeting with the Thought for the day, by reminding us of the Kiwanis Vision Statement, "Kiwanis will be a positive influence in communities worldwide.... so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive."

President Alf called on Kiwanian Phil to roll out the 50/50 Draw. He indicated that there were 35 cards in today's deck. The potential winners were, ticket holders Kiwanian Bob Wade and IPP Dave. Neither found the Jokers and the pot continues to grow.

Kiwanis Pallo was the Funmaster and said she was going to supply us with some "Groaners", but her repertoire gave us several opportunities to chuckle and chortle. Eg. Why did the blonde bring a ladder to the party? Answer: I told her that drinks were on the house. Pallo moved on and helped us celebrate the Birthdays of: Doug DeLaronde on February 1st, Pallo Sahota on February 6th, and Bob Saunders on February 10th.

She then moved on to Happy Stories from Joanne Murray who announced that

President Alf had been interviewed on Rogers TV about our Kiwanis Club activities and had made an excellent presentation, Leo Vos, Paulette Hauk told us about Sean's performance of Queen 20 April and Doug Delaronde's donation, relating to his Birthday.

President Alfred thanked Kiwanian Pallo and called on PP Randy to introduce our Guest Speaker today , Glenn Brown.

PP Randy Noted the long history that Glenn has had with the Sanderson Centre and how he had started some 35 years ago when it was then known as Capitol Theatre. Randy indicated that Glenn had started initially as an Usher and over the years has worked to developed his experience, and has become the Theatre Manager a number of years ago. During that time he has been instrumental in bringing many great artists to Brantford, but also been part of the restoration of many of the original aspects of the theatre as they appeared in the Temple Theatre when it opened in December 1919.







Glenn Brown indicated that he was please to be back again to talk to us about the Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts. He indicated that origins of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford and the "Sanderson Centre" started in the same year, 1919. Glenn said that the Covid period was very tough for them, as well as everyone else, but that in 2023 the Sanderson Centre's attendance was almost back to the pre-Covid figure.



The first image Glenn presented was a current picture of the performance area. He asked if anyone in our audience had not been an event at the Sanderson Center. There was not a hand raised in the house. He proceeded to detail many of the upcoming rentals for 2024 and presented an image showing the dates that have already been filled. Glenn said that over 80% of the available rental time in 2024 has already been booked. Glenn indicated that the Sanderson Centre works with an



organization called Ontario Presents, a province-wide network of performing arts touring and presenting organizations, that work collaboratively to distribution of live, diverse performing arts shows, to help fill all the available performance slots. He indicated that there are many slots also filled by local artist for special presentation such as local Music and Dance Recitals, Special Film Presentations, BSO, Christmas Specialz, etc.

Glenn then changed gears and directed our attention to the restoration of authentic appearances to the original theatre architecture, designs and colours. Glenn walked us through the removal of many years of paint on the original mural and its repainting to the original colour and form. (Some gentrification was performed on the





mural as the women has some garments added.) The "silver-screen was remove and the curtains were replaced with replicates with the original design and colour. Instead of a drop curtain, the structure was rebuilt with top and side panels per the original design and colours. The fourier in front

of the Bar was recarpeted with the

original design as well as the street access area in front of the ticket booth are re-tiled using the original design.

Glenn closed inviting everyone to come and see and experience the wonderful changes and improvements that await us at this World Class venue.



He went on to answer several questions from Peter Liberati, David Nuemann, Ken McNaughton, Randy MacKenzie and others.

Kiwanian Leo officially thanked Glenn Brown for a revealing, detailed presentation about this wonderful facility.

President Alfred called for any Committee Reports or announcements.

Kiwanian Pallo reminded all those that had signed up to remember to be at the Brantford Club Social on Friday 02-February 5:30PM for Cocktail and 6:00PM for the meal.

President Alfred thanked the members and guests for attending and wished them a good weekend and adjourned the meeting with the ringing of the Bell.

Following is a picture of the well attended and fun Brantford Club Social event of Friday 02 February.



Candid pictures of our weekly meeting follow.

If you wish to see President Alfred Rogers TV Interview about the Kiwanis Club of Brantford. <u>Click Here</u>.



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