
Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter March 7, 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 – 48



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KC of Constant Spring

Vice Governor

Cynthina Blackman

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Immediate Past Governor

Anthony Haile

PROGRAM FOR MARCH 7, 2024

It's the 105th Anniversary of the Club! Members are asked to make a special effort to attend this celebration meeting. The agenda will include a recounting of our storied history, a review of how the Objects of Kiwanis were developed 100 years ago in 1924 and, of course, cake! The day will include the presentation of Legion of Honour plaques to long-serving members of our club. Please join us!

HEAD TABLE

President Alf Hauk, Paulette Hauk, Introducer Joanne Murray, Thanker Karen Adams, Funmaster Bob Saunders, Ross Pope, Past President Dave Lewis, President Elect Nancy

KC of Curacao

Thompson

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Alfred Hauk

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David Lewis

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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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

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

Thursday, March 28: Ontario Health Network, Dementia
Awareness

Thursday, April 4: Information Meeting

CHILDREN'S SAFETY VILLAGE EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 30th.: Children's Safety Village Annual
Easter Egg Hunt from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. There will
be outdoor games, a colouring contest, BBQ and other fun
activities. Kiwanis members are requested to contact Leo
Vos if they are able to volunteer some time to assist.

BIRTHDAYS

Ivone DeMarchi will celebrate his birthday on March 9th and
Bob Ritchie on March 12th. Happy Birthday Kiwanians!

ANNIVERSARIES

Nothing to report this week!

ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED

Judy Jones will mark 12 years as a member of the Kiwanis
Club of Brantford on March 8th.

EDUCATIONAL SPOT

An inter-club meeting is one which is jointly planned and held by two or more Kiwanis clubs, or by a Kiwanis club and any Kiwanis Junior, Circle K club, Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids, and/or Aktion Club and duly announced as such in advance through club notices. No less than a visiting group of four, composed of Kiwanians or a minimum of two Kiwanians plus members of a Circle K club, Key Club, and/or Builders Club sponsored by the visiting Kiwanis club, must be in attendance. To qualify for inter- 6 club credit, the meeting must be an official meeting of the host club. Conventions, division council meetings, and similar events do not normally qualify.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.. ~ Booker T. Washington ~

To view what happened at last week's meeting, please page down

Last Week's Meeting Highlights



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Highlights of the Thursday, 29 February, 2024 Weekly Meeting

President Alfred Hawk called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM, welcoming all members. He opened the meeting with the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement.



President Alf's opening thought for today was: a Tibetan proverb, "The secret to living well and longer is: eat half, walk double, laugh triple and love without measure."

President Alf called on Kiwanian Phil to officiate the 50/50 Draw. Phil indicated that there were 53 cards including one joker, in today's deck. Two tickets were drawn this week by Ken



McNaughton and Joanne Murray, however neither found the Joker, so the pot once again, starts growing.



The Funmaster today was Kiwanian Faye Prince who opened with a few unexpected moments in the Oscar's history.

Example #1 is: that in 1974 there was a streaker named Robert Opel. He got backstage via a press pass, stripped down to his birthday suit, and dashed across the stage while flashing a peace sign just as upper-crust British actor David Niven was about to introduce his cohost Elizabeth Taylor. Niven's pitch-perfect observation was: "Isn't it fascinating to think that probably, the only laugh that man will ever get in life is by stripping off and showing his shortcomings?"

Example #2 Alfred Hitchcock at the Irving G. Thalberg Memorial Award, 1968, he had only five words to say: "Thank you... very much indeed."

Faye then moved on to help us celebrate Peter Liberati's birthday on March 2nd and Alex Morris's birthday on March 4th, as well as Eardly Judah's 14 years as a member of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford on March 4th.

This was followed by Happy Stories by Dave, Phil and Leo.

Kiwanian Paul introduced our speaker today, Faye Prince, who was giving us lesson #2, about the structure of the chess board and the squares naming convention, the chess pieces names and how and where they can travel on the chess board.

Faye "opened" with a refresher of lesson #1 last July-2023 when she explained terms such as: rank, file, what square the White Queen goes on, why the chess board is most often not black and white and why the chess pieces are often other colours as well.

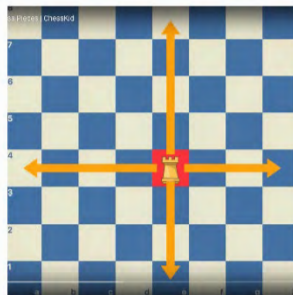


She then explain why the center four squares are so important. **Answer:** They afford the shortest distance needed to travel in any direction to confront an opponent. The center of the board can be considered as the **e4, d4, e5 and d5** squares.

The vertical lines on the chessboard are called **files**, the horizontal lines are called **ranks**.

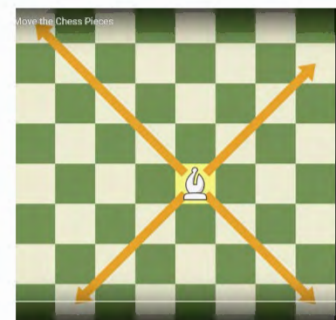
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7	a7	b7	c7	d7	e7	f7	g7	h7	7
6	a6	b6	c6	d6	e6	f6	g6	h6	6
5	a5	b5	c5	d5	e5	f5	g5	h5	5
4	a4	b4	c4	d4	e4	f4	g4	h4	4
3	a3	b3	c3	d3	e3	f3	g3	h3	3
2	a2	b2	c2	d2	e2	f2	g2	h2	2
1	a1	b1	c1	d1	e1	f1	g1	h1	1
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	

The second part of today's lesson was to show and name the six different types of chess pieces which are: **king, rook, bishop, queen, knight, and pawn**. By using a couple of these pieces, Faye demonstrated the direction and distance a rook and the bishop could move to, and the colour of the square they could be on.



The "rook" can move horizontally or vertically in any direction from the square it is on, from any position on the Board. Note: it can move to 7 other squares in either direction no matter what square it is on.

The "bishop" chess piece moves in any direction diagonally. Chess rules state that there is no limit to the number of squares a bishop can travel on the chessboard, as long as there is not another piece obstructing its path. Each player has a bishop on a white square and another on the black square. They must always stay on their original, coloured squares.



Faye went on to answer questions and describe specific details related to her teaching experience with elementary school children that are the same things she is showing to us.

PP Randy thanked Kiwanian Faye for her effective and insightful presentation easing us into the world of chess. Randy made reference to Faye being our Chess Queen and presented her with a "thank you" Crown.

President Alfred also thanked Faye for helping expand his previous knowledge of chess, gained when he was much younger.

President Alf called for the following Announcements and Committee Reports:

President Alf mentioned that the registration for the next cohort of Kiwanis Amplify program is now open. The program will begin in April with some new changes. To increase flexibility, all modules will be available at launch rather than releasing each module week by week. To improve accessibility to the program for all Kiwanians, the participation fee has been reduced to US\$50 for members. The fee will remain at \$600 for non-members.

Leo Vos mentioned that the Children's Safety Village East Egg Hunt will be held again this year on Saturday 30-March-2024. An email was sent to all members by Leo asking them to let him know by email, phone or in person if they were willing to volunteer to help again this year.

Dave also mentioned that an Email had been sent out last week for the Trivia Challenge that will be held on Thursday April 11, 2024 @ 7:30PM. Members can register on line by clicking the link on the Email which will take them directly to the on-line registration form. You are given a choice of paying by Credit Card or Paying Cash-at-the-door.

President Alfred thanked the members and wished them a good weekend and adjourned the meeting with Faye Prince, ringing the Bell.

Following are some candid photos from this meeting.

