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## Kiwanis Club of Brantford Newsletter August 29, 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 – 47**



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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

**PROGRAM FOR AUGUST 29, 2024**

Craig Manns will share with us how Whisky is produced in his distillery in Brantford.

**HEAD TABLE**

President Alf Hauk, Guest Speaker Craig Manns, Introducer Randy MacKenzie, Thanker Dave Lewis, Funmasters Paul Simon and Faye Prince.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Thursday, September 5 – Corrinne Psailia and Machel  
Denison from Strong Start

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

Thursday, September 12 – Angela Vieth, Division 5 LG Designate

Thursday, September 19 – Lauren Moulton on Woodview programs

Thursday, September 26 – Alf Hauk, President's Retrospective

## **UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS**

None

## **KIWANIS CONVENTIONS**

**Note: Date Change:**

Eastern Canada & Caribbean District Convention – Niagara Falls, May 29 to 31, 2025

Kiwanis International Convention – Pittsburgh, June 25 to 28–2025

## **BIRTHDAYS**

None

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Alex & Joyce Morris – Anniversary – August 29

Phil & Mary Hoekstra – Anniversary – August 30

Congratulations!

## **ANNIVERSARIES OF DATE JOINED**

Ken McNaughton – Joined – August 31, 1994

## **EDUCATIONAL SPOT**

The Kiwanis administrative year begins on October 1. Originally, clubs and districts operated on the calendar year. However, Kiwanis International officers were elected at the annual conventions in early summer and assumed office immediately or, beginning in 1950, on August 1. This led to many problems of budgeting, programming, and leadership. For example, each International President worked with two sets of district governors and club presidents, and vice versa. Finally, in 1969 the administrative year beginning October 1 was adopted for all levels of Kiwanis organization.

## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"No great achiever – even those who made it seem easy – ever succeeded without hard work." – anonymous

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**Last Week's Meeting Highlights**



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## Highlights of the Thursday, 22 August, 2024 Weekly Meeting

The meeting started at 12:30 pm with Vice President Maureen Henry welcomed the guest speaker, Jennifer Stebbing and all members.



The opening thought of the Day: "So you plant your own gardens and decorate your own soul, instead of waiting for some one else to bring your flowers." ~ Jorge Luis Borges



Kiwanian Pallo ran the 50/50 draw. Tickets were drawn by Bob Ritchie and Nelson McClinchey. This week the lucky winner was Nelson McClinchey who found the illusive "Joker", as you can see he was a bit excited.

As funmaster, Dave Lewis noted that this week in history there were no Wedding Anniversaries, no anniversaries of joining the Club and no Birthdays. In all, apparently nothing happened this week.

PP Dave moved on to Happy Stories which were related by Kirby Brown, Leo Vos, Bob Wade and others.

Dave then moved on to a short interactive fun exercise where members were shown images of vanity plates, and asked to convert it to words.

Sample:



Pee before we go

VP Maureen called on Linda Moyer to introduce our speaker Jennifer Stebbing.

Linda said that Jennifer was a founding Partner of Stebbing Butcher PC: Lawyers & Mediators, a boutique estate and trust planning and administrative firm in Brantford. Jennifer is a Certified Specialist in Estates and Trust Law.

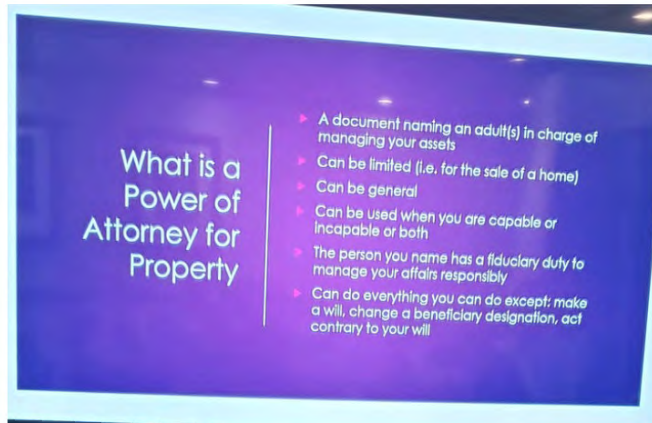
She is one of fewer than 35 lawyers in Ontario to hold this Law Society of Ontario designation and the only one in Brantford and the surrounding area. Jennifer is a volunteer at heart and is involved in many different local organizations and spends her spare time hiking and participating in various community events.



Jennifer Stebbing indicated that she was pleased with the opportunity to speak to our Club about, "Understanding the Powers of Attorney". She outlined some key points about the different types of Power of Attorney documents.



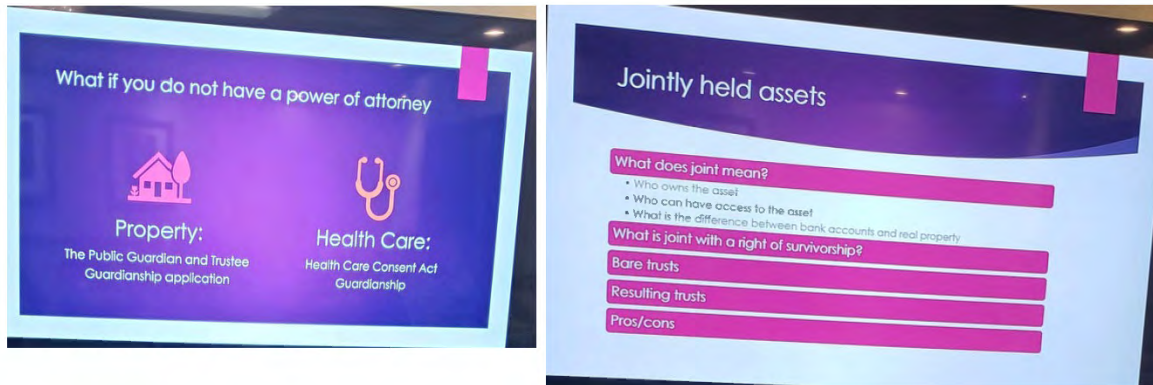
### Power of Attorney Property



### Power of Attorney Personal Care



What happens if you don't have a Power of Attorney? What about Jointly held assets?



Jennifer covered a number of subjects such as :

- Can a Power of Attorney be hand written?
- If you don't have a Will, what happens?
- Power of Attorney problem with siblings living in the USA or another country?
- What is Probate and how much does it cost?
- What happens if the "wrong" kind of person is named in a Power of Attorney?
- What is the Cost of a Will?
- How often should you review your Will?
- If you are selected for Power of Attorney how long do you have to keep receipts or a paper trail of activities ?



Jennifer answered a number of questions and urged everyone to; have a Will, review existing Wills, ensure that siblings who are named in your Power of Attorney are not prone to conflicting opinions , as well as many other suggestions. Everyone took away something they should address today.

When Jennifer finished the presentation Joanne Murray presented her with a formal thank you, in recognition of her presentation, and let her know we had made a donation to a Charity we like to support. That charity is the Brant Community Health Care System Foundation.

VP Maureen called for any Committee Reports and Announcements:

- Joanne Murray spoke about the invitation to all Members of Kiwanis to the 15th Anniversary Party of the Club to be held on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Evangel Church Hall at 30 Fairview Drive, Brantford. The cost is \$20 per person which includes Strode's

“Chicken on a Bun Supper”. To get tickets please contact Kiwanian Joanne at joanne.murray@rogers.com or 519-752-7941.

Final thought for the day: “ The greatest glory lies not in never failing, but in rising every time we fail.” ~ Nelson Mandella

The bell was rung to end the meeting at approximately 1:10 pm