

Highlights of the Thursday, 13 November, 2025 Weekly Meeting

President Maureen, welcomed everyone to the Kiwanis Club of Brantford's meeting for Thursday, 13-November, 2025.

President Maureen called Phil Hoekstra to present the 50/50 Draw with Faye Prince and Phil Hoekstra holding potential winning tickets, neither were able to find the "Joker".



President Maureen Introduced Faye Prince as our Funmaster this week.

Faye Prince took the podium and thanked President Maureen. Faye opened with a question. Does anyone know what Lexophilia is? It apparently, it is a term for a love of words, especially in the context of wordplay like puzzles and puns. Following are some examples she cited, to give us context.

- "You can tune a Piano, but you can't Tuna fish."
- "A Will is a good give-away"

Faye carried on, giving relating and number of very good examples and the occasional "groaner" just for diversion.



She next helped us celebrate this week's Birthday and Anniversaries of joining the Club.

Birthdays in November:

Eardly Judah, Graham Schram, Maureen Henry and Nelson McClinchey.

Recognizing Years of Service in November

David Neumann	35 Years
Heather Wyatt	23 Years
Judy Lillico	23 Years
Pallo Sahota	13 Years
Roxanne Bond	6 Years

The singing of Happy Birthday and a sound round of applause acknowledgement of these milestones, was given by all members.

Happy Stories were given by Karen Adam and Graham Schram.

Faye Prince then passed the Mic over to President Maureen who introduce our Guest speaker Bob Saunders who kicked off our annual Christmas Campaign today for 2025.

Bob Saunders took the podium and with his normal enthusiasm welcome everyone and happily announce the details to this years Christmas Campaign and that we would all be glad to here that we held the prices to the same as we had last year. Bob explained what the products and the cost, how to order them, how to get their products, and how to record and pay for the product they receive using a screen presentation.

He further mentioned that all members would receive a Christmas Campaign Flyer showing the product details that they can forward to their customers by email or regular Post.

Following are the details presented.

Product Details

Christmas Fruitcake - 900g Twin Pack (450g dark & 450g light) - **\$18**

Hand-made Shortbread Cookies with Chocolate Chips, - 350g - **\$14**
(our best seller)

Deluxe Mixed Nuts - 283g., - **\$16**

Quality Chocolate Truffles, dusted with a fine powder of semi-sweet chocolate, in a 250g Gift Box. - **\$12**

Peanut Brittle. 150g package - **\$8** (back again this year)

Sample Bags. Each year, all Kiwanians are encouraged to purchase a sample bag containing one of each item for **\$68**. **They will be available at meetings.**

You can obtain product in the following ways:

Pick Up at Regular Meetings.

- **Please call ahead** so that your order can be packaged and ready.
- If you are not going to the meeting, we will deliver.

Who to, Text, email, or call, see list below to place your orders

- Bob Saunders, (519) 774-5102 saunders057@gmail.com
- Dave Lewis (519) 775-9390 davegslewis@gmail.com
- Phil Hoekstra (226) 802-7875 hoekstra103@gmail.com



Because of problems sourcing in the United States, some of the packaging has changed:

	
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Note: Products will not be available at Judy Lilico's this year.

Record your purchase

A “**numbered receipt**”, must be filled out each time you pick up product.
The white copy is for our records, and the yellow is retained by you.

Payment can be made by:

- **Cheque** payable to: **Kiwanis Club of Brantford**, please include, **Invoice number(s)** and “**Christmas Campaign**” in the memo section.
- **Interac transfer** to brantfordkiwanis@gmail.com . Your name and Invoice number(s) must be included in the memo section.
- **Cash**. Please place cash in an envelope with the amount, your name and invoice number(s) written on the outside.
- **Non-Numbered receipts** will be available for your use in dealing with your customers

The flier that will be sent to you separately with photos and descriptions of our products that you can send to friends and relatives.

Bob finished by saying, “Here’s hoping for a great sales year and thanks very much for your help and support.”

Bob handed the podium back to President Maureen.

President Maureen call DST Jim Steele to the Microphone.

DST Jim Steele, reminded us of the disaster caused by hurricane Mellisa in Jamaica on 28 October. Many of our Kiwanis friends in Jamaica are in serious need of help to rebuild their lives.

Jim Steele announced that he would be making a motion at our Board Meeting tonight, requesting a donation of \$10,000 to be forward to the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada with the intent that they will give a 1 to 3 Canadian dollar addition, to our donations.

The combined donation, is to be directed specifically to key Kiwanian representatives in Jamaica, with the express purpose that these funds be used to help our Kiwanis Friends rebuild their homes and lives.



Caribbean Relief Fund • The Fund's Goal is to raise through the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada (KFC), Kiwanis Clubs in Canada and Personal Donations an amount of \$800,000 for the Caribbean Relief Fund (CRF). • The KFC will provide \$1 for every \$3 Donated up to \$200,000.	Caribbean Relief Fund • Kiwanis Foundation of Jamaica • office@kfcdn.org • P.O. Box 5034 Brantford, Ontario N3T 6J7 YOU CAN HELP. Caribbean Relief Fund for Jamaica for wire instructions please contact our office: office@kfcdn.org
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DST Jim made the following important announcements:

1. The **Kiwanis ECC District Convention** will take place from April 30 to May 2, 2026, in Toronto, Canada. The convention is scheduled to be held at the Hilton Toronto
2. The **Kiwanis International Convention** in 2026 will be held in Manila, Philippines, from June 25–27, 2026. The event will take place at the Manila Hotel at Newport World Resorts in Pasay City, Metro Manila.

President Maureen called for Committee Reports and Announcements:

- Dave Lewis on behalf of Leo Vos, remind people to be at the Legion by 7:00 next week, 6:40 or so if they want to help set up. We could use 2 more volunteers. We only have a few door prizes so far. Leo mention that the \$25 range is good and gift cards to LCBO or restaurants go over well. We have 22 teams register as of today.
- Faye Prince mention that the “**Christmas Sock Box**”, for those in need, will be at the back of our meeting room weekly for collection of warm winter socks until Christmas

President Maureen, thanked all members and wished everyone well.

President Maureen asked If there was anything else for the good of Kiwanis, seeing none, she adjourned the meeting with the ringing of the Bell.