

Highlights of the Thursday, 03 August, 2026, Weekly Meeting

President Maureen, welcomed all members and Guest Speaker Laurie McIntyre and Guest Kerone Morris to this Thursday 03, September 2026 weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford.

President Maureen asked all members able to stand, to do so for the **“County of Brant Land Acknowledgement”**.

President Maureen called Phil Hoekstra to present the 50/50 Draw with Susan Szczechura, Laurie McIntyre, Jim Steele and Phil Hoekstra, holding potential winning tickets. Still, no one found the “Joker” and the “Pot” continues to grow.



President Maureen called on Alfred Hauk to come forward as Funmaster.

Alfred Hauk welcomed everyone, armed with a bag with several Riddles.

Riddle me this...

1. Jenny has 5 children. The 1st is named May. The 2nd is June. The 3rd is July. The 4th is April. What is the name of the 5th child.
2. Which is heavier: A ton of bricks or a ton of feathers?
3. How many letters are in the alphabet?
4. What creature walks on four legs in the morning, two legs in the afternoon, and three legs in the evening?

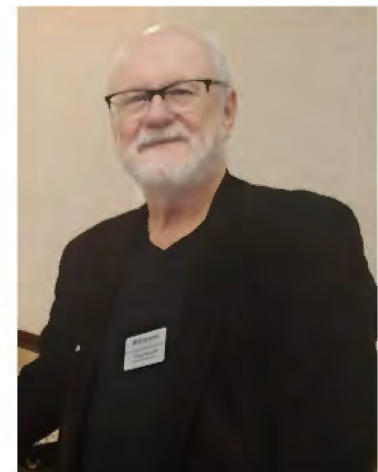
Answers are at the bottom of the last page of this document.

Alfred moved on by helping celebrate Birthdays' and anniversaries

Anniversaries:

Birthdays September

Alfred Hauk	06
Roger Smith	21
Linda Moyer	22



Stuart Parkinson 30

Anniversaries of joining Kiwanis (Yrs)

Crystal Godwaldt 25
Ross Pope 32

Alfred called on members for Happy Stories

- Joanne Murray congratulated the Aktion Club for a very successful Good Stuff Trunk Sale Saturday 29-August and thanked all 21 Kiwanis members that helped with this interclub. We had 22 registered Vendors, well done everyone.
- Nancy Thompson Received a Thank you card to the Kiwanis Club of Brantford from the Aktion Club members relating to our support of their Good Stuff Trunk Sale

President Maureen thanked Funmaster Alfred Hauk for his fun and mind-stretching riddles

President Maureen called Linda Moyer to the microphone to introduce our Guest Speaker.

Linda welcomed everyone and said that it was a pleasure to introduce Laurie Macintyer, the Executive Director of Jaycees Brantford Non-Profit Homes, where she has served for the past eight years, leading the organization's mission to provide safe, affordable housing in the community.

Under her leadership, the organizations stewardship of 84 single-family homes has advanced with innovative solutions to address the growing need for housing stability.

As a mother of four Laurie brings both lived experience and a deep sense of purpose to her work, guided by the belief that every woman deserves a place to rebuild and belong.



Linda asked, that we welcome Laurie Macintyre to the podium.

Laurier MacIntyre welcomed by everyone. She said she was very please to be able to speak us and opened showing a picture of her family at her son's recent wedding which followed her titled Screen, "One Life event can change everything". Laurie's intent with this title appeared to be that, sometimes one slight meaningful change can make a world of difference.



The effective stewardship of 84 single-family homes scattered in Brantford/Brant while advancing innovative solutions to address the growing need for housing stability, has led to a foundation for economic empowerment for women and women-led families.

Currently leading the development of 32 Bridge Street, a transformative 11million dollar project that will provide 24 units of permanent affordable housing for women and women led families, alongside a vibrant main-floor Community Hub and Social Enterprise cafe laundromat designed to foster connection, dignity, and opportunity.



- EST. 1983
- 84 houses in Brantford/Brant
- Saint Basil Community Homes
- 32 Bridge St - 24 units for women and their families

Through JC Homes, Laurie has championed a model that bridges the gap between crisis and independence, with a focus on community, dignity, and long-term stability.

Laurie said that homelessness comes about in non-visible types of patterns-of-living. The mother may suddenly be separated and; her cost of life then completely falls on her, where will she live, what schools will her children go to, where can they safely live, how can her children live a child's life, are they "coach-surfing". 68% of the tenants in Jaycee Homes are women and women led families.

Some people are, not homeless, but are not secure. Between crisis and stability... there is a gap!

Laurie said that through JC Homes are responding to the needs by listening to stories and building a place to land, breathe and begin again.



At 32 Bridge St.

- Each floor has 8 resident units.
- Laundromat/Café
- Parking Lot
- Community



At the end of the presentation, Laurie Macintyre answered a number of questions from the members, with Joanne Murray give a formal welcome from the Club and its members and in recognition of Laurie presentation, we have made a donation to a Charity we like to support. That charity is the Lansdowne Children's Centre Foundation. Thank You.



President Maureen thanked Laurie Macintyre for her moving and serious information about potential residence for Jaycee House and 32 Bridge St.

President Maureen called for Committee Reports and Announcements:

- President Maureen mentioned that we are supporting the Staples Back to School event again this year has started and is running through to Sunday, September 27, 2026.
- Grand Parade in partnership with GRCOA September 19, 2026.

President Maureen, thanked all members and Guests and Guest speaker Laurie Macintyre and Guest Kerone Morris for attending.

Final Thought for the day:

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.

Answer to:

Riddle #1 "What". The last sentence is a statement not a Question. "What is the name of the 5th child."

Riddle #2 They both weigh a ton.

Riddle #3 Eleven (alphabet)

Riddle #4 Man

