



Kiwaniis Eastern Canada & Caribbean District



Newsletter

February 2016

I would like to welcome our new editor, Merdina Callum, who has now accepted this important position. And a special thank you to PLG Randy Ross for his dedicated service in getting the newsletter out to everyone.

What an exciting week I just experienced in Jamaica with International Trustee Terry White and Division 5 LG Sheila Moore. Seeing some of the projects that are being done to help the communities emphasizes the differences in our vast District. To those of us in Eastern Canada, it is hard to comprehend the basic needs that bring so much safety and community improvements to the Jamaican people. My thanks to all the LG's in Jamaica for providing us with a truly inspiring Jamaican experience. Special thanks to Division 24 LG Luke Thomas-Shorter and LGE Herman Grant for transporting us to all of the projects. One of the highlights of the week was the mass meeting on Thursday night where over 260 Kiwanians from all over Jamaica made the trek to attend the event. I had the pleasure of inducting 7 new members that evening after inducting 22 K-kids earlier in the week.



It now time for all clubs to begin their election of officers process. This should be completed in the month of March so the officers can either attend the training in Hamilton or locally as can be arranged.

Remember the early registration deadline of February 29 for the District Convention. Costs increase significantly after that date. If you require a VISA to attend the convention, the Canadian High Commissioner in Jamaica reminded us that the time to apply for your VISA is now. Processing time takes at least 2 weeks from the time ALL documentation is provided, not from the time the first documents are sent in.

Working to Serve the Children of the World, I remain

Allen Ure
Governor



Governor Allen and LG Sheila (6th and 7th from right) after a luncheon hosted by Guardian Group in Kingston Jamaica

From Governor-Elect Phil Rossy

ANNOUNCEMENT

In alignment with Kiwanis' strategic plan, the I-Plan, Kiwanis International and our District of Eastern Canada & the Caribbean seeks to raise public awareness about its service to children, broaden its name recognition and provide information about leadership opportunities for youth, it has become important to add the role of District Public Relations Coordinator to the district level leadership roles. This new role replaces the District Public Relations Chair role, and is effective October 1, 2016.

On behalf of Governor Allen and your District Board of Trustees, I am pleased to announce the appointments of IPLG Lisa Blake-Golding of KC Montego Bay to the position of District PR Coordinator for the Caribbean, and Kiwanian Danielle Takacs of KC Paris-Brant to the position of District PR Coordinator for Eastern Canada.



Both IPLG Lisa and K Danielle will attend training sessions this spring by Kiwanis International in preparation for these important District positions. A complete job description is posted on the District website and a more detailed announcement to all Divisions and club members will follow.

Please join us in congratulating IPLG Lisa and K Danielle and give them both our full support and encouragement as they go forward in the "Service of our Children".

District Convention

2016 District Convention

Hamilton, Ontario

This coming May, Kiwanians from one end of our great District to the other will be descending on Hamilton, Ontario to help celebrate 100 years of Kiwanis in Canada.

Come, be part of the celebration.

Find out all that there is to know about our upcoming convention, and register on line here:

[Register for our Hamilton Convention Here](#)



News: Education Committee

The District Education Committee would like to remind you that they have developed several education modules available on the EC&C website www.kiwanisecc.org/education.

While some of the modules specifically relate to Kiwanis, many of them have great information that you can use in other aspects of your life. These modules are produced in both WORD and POWER POINT to accommodate those who either wish to show a module as a presentation at their club or wish to use all or part of the module as the education component at a club meeting or in the club's newsletter.

The Kiwanis quiz module is especially fun to use as part of a program at a club meeting. If you have any suggestions for changes to any of these modules there is a place at the end of the module list to leave your comments.

Editor's Note

As I take the baton from PBE Randy I would like to extend sincere gratitude to him for his sterling service as Bulletin over the years. I know the sacrifices that are often made to fulfill the commitment of having the bulletin out on time and I laud his commitment and say, thank you PBE Randy.

It is a pleasure for me to be serving in this capacity, at this level. I thank you all for the warm welcome and promise to do my best, with your help.

Please do not hesitate to provide me with feedback and ideas at callu78@hotmail.com.

Tell your stories, share your work, share your K!

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Kiwanis Club of Fort-de-France

The Lycée Acajou 2 Key Club offers gifts to disadvantaged children.

Each year, Martinique 1ère organise Opération 1 000 gifts, a collective action of solidarity and generosity aiming to collect as many toys as possible for the disadvantaged children because offering a toy to those children is primarily «Christmas for all» ! Martinique 1ère radio station and its presenters, together with Carrefour Supermarkets and the **Kiwanis Club of Fort-de-France**, put in place a rendez-vous during three days to participate to this great gifts raising in the different supermarkets Carrefour Génipa, Dillon and Cluny.



Past President Daniel, Key Club members, and President Etienne Zidé.



Kiwanis Central Spreads Joy to the Children of Ecuador

Kiwanis Club Barbados Central in supporting its commitment for the year of making a difference in serving the children of the world, recently made a presentation of gifts to the children in the village of Carolina In the Andes Mountain of the San Pedro Community in the Province of Esmeraldes, Ecuador about 300 miles east of the capital city of Quito.

As a personal commitment to serving the children of the world, DLG Delores Lewis, a Family Physician and a club member has embarked on participating in medical missions in various needy areas around the world. On a recent mission to Ecuador, DLG Delores's role as a family Physician with the group was to render medical care to the children in the various villages which the mission was serving.



The club through its Human and Spiritual Values committee decided that this would be an excellent opportunity to honour the club's commitment to serving the children of the world by donating funds for gifts for the children. After discussion with the local mission representatives in Quito, Ecuador, it was suggested that the children be given a gift of a T Shirt which could serve as a Christmas present as most of these children would not otherwise receive presents for the holiday.

Each child was given a gift of a T-shirt after they were seen for their medical needs and following the morning clinic session on December 15th 2015, DLG Delores gathered many of the children for an official presentation. The chief organisers of the Mission, Dr. Vincent Jason and the mission representative in Quito, Dr. Uvoh Oniorobe, thanked the Kiwanis Club of Barbados Central for their contribution which brought smiles and joy to more than 25 children.

Do You Know What These Are?

These pins are part of a collection of the late Don Hislop, charter member of the Sarnia-Lambton Golden K Kiwanis Club. The family is assembling a memory tribute to Don and would like to know what each of the pins are and why they might have been awarded to him. If anyone can identify the specifics regarding the I.D.D. pin or the origin and meaning of the pin represented by the blue "K" and green lightning bolt, please forward your response to Sheila Donald - Region A Trustee at s.donald@cogeco.ca. Thank you for helping!

Yours in Kiwanis Service,

Sheila Donald
Secretary (2015-2016) - Sarnia-Lambton Golden K Kiwanis Club
"Serving the Children"





T. Catharine's club joined us and the Key Club for a meeting on January 19, 2016



2016 marks 100 years of Kiwanis In Canada

Help a child and donate a Sleeping Children Around The World Bedkit

Bedkits will be distributed May 2016 by Dr. Ito Torres, Past Kiwanis International President and Kiwanis Philippines. This Kiwanis International Foundation recognized charity is the only charity to receive the Kiwanis International World Service Medal Twice. Here is the online link click Supporting Campaign click KIWANIS CANADA 100. Tax receipts issued for both Canada and USA.

<https://scaw.thankyou4caring.org/donate-usd-dollars-photos-...>

Deadline for donations is March 1, 2016

Yours In Service,
Stuart

Stuart R. McCormack
Aktion Club Administrator
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Eastern Canada & the Caribbean District

To Host

Kiwanis International Convention

Toronto 2016

June 23 – June 26, 2016



It is an honour to be hosting the **Kiwanis International Convention** in **Toronto** this year. This is our opportunity to show our strong and diverse District to our fellow Kiwanians from around the world. We will need “**all hands on deck**” as we look to have approximately 300 volunteers from our District to ensure that our Convention is a valuable, worthwhile and enjoyable experience for our visitors. Please consider spending some time helping to make the Toronto/EC&C experience one our visitors will never forget.

Registration for the Convention is now open on the Kiwanis International website. **Register early to take advantage of the substantial discount for EC&C volunteers.** Once you have registered go to the volunteer website and select the area where you would like to help. You can volunteer at <http://kiwanis.ivolunteer.com/toronto> .

We have many great reasons to be a part of the Convention this year. Please check the Kiwanis International website for details. (Kiwansone.org). Check out the blog at the bottom of the site. Currently we have featured our Keynote Speaker, **Col. Chris Hadfield**, astronaut, Commander of the International Space Station; author, musician and proud Canadian. Follow the link to his amazing performance of **David Bowie's** song, “Space Oddity”, performed and filmed while on the Space Station. Future blog posts will highlight some of the restaurants, places of interest and things to do while in Toronto, at the Convention. Please look for updates as we get closer to the Convention.

Laura Somerville

George Rowell

Co-Chairs, Host Committee, Toronto 2016

Providence Spreads Christmas Cheer

Kiwanis Club of Providence sought to make the Christmas season more joyful for 2 basic schools located in Montego Bay, Jamaica. The children from the Triumph basic school and the Tower Hill basic school were fetted with gifts while enjoying Christmas carols, cake and ice-cream. Contributions were also made by club members to the Le Anthony free homework program which benefits children in and around St. James.



Club Leadership Education

Well another Kiwanis year is already 1/4 complete. **It is time to begin the process of Training our Kiwanis Club Leaders for their various leadership roles for 2016-2017.**

Elections of new club officers are to be completed and reported to our District Office and to KI in May. Once that is done, Certified Trainers (CTs) are available to provide Club Leadership Education (CLE) across our great District of EC&C. This is no easy task and requires many CTs in order to make training available to the 245 clubs in our District.

Training may be done in Divisions or in Regions, depending on the geographical nature of the area clubs. It may also be done at the annual convention, this year in Hamilton, Ontario. If necessary it can also be done via an on-line Webinar.

CLE is no longer just for club Presidents. Rather, it is now important that all of the Club Executive, President, President Elect, Treasurer and Secretary, as well as any willing Board members attend. The format in CLE is designed to allow clubs to plan their entire Kiwanis year at this one meeting. That includes Budget, Club Meetings, Board Meetings, Fund Raising Projects and Service Projects. In the full session which is approximately 4 hours, there is plenty of opportunity to share ideas between clubs and to collaborate within the clubs, to create the very best Kiwanis programs possible.



The CLE day also brings clubs up to date on KI initiatives such as the new I-PLAN as well as any initiatives being undertaken by EC&C. LGs and LGEs also have the opportunity to present their goals as well as those of the Governor Elect.

We are in need of Certified Trainers. It is hoped that all of our current CTs will continue to serve for the upcoming year. However, there are a number of Divisions and Regions that do not have CTs. Generally, the criteria to become a CT is that you are a past LG. If you are interested in this important Kiwanis work, please attend the Train the Trainer session at the Hamilton Convention. It is being held on regular program days so it is not necessary to come early.

Once the training is complete, it is necessary to complete an CT application form available on the KI website.

This year we plan to encourage the early planning and scheduling of the CLE events by reporting plans to myself. I will record and provide an overview schedule.

One of the best ways to ensure that your club has a successful year, is to attend a CLE event.

If you have any questions you may contact me at mjaym2@hotmail.com

Sincerely, Jay McLaren,
EC&C Leadership Development Coordinator (formerly Master Trainer)

Kiwanis Visibility



“Whereas Kiwanis Clubs and Kiwanis members participate in various projects within their communities to raise funds or to do volunteer service in schools, senior’s homes or the community at large,

And whereas it is very important that Kiwanis members be visible at any of these events within their communities,

And whereas some Clubs and members do not avail of signage or branded clothing to advertise Kiwanis at these events,

The Visibility Committee suggests that the Divisional LGs of EC&C urge all Clubs and members in their respective Divisions to display the Kiwanis logos and signage wherever possible. Whenever a project is being carried out it is recommended that there be a Kiwanis banner present so that when and if photos are taken the Kiwanis presence is visible in the photo.”

Kiwanis Club of Fort-de-France

30 years Serving the Children

Bernard Lavater receives the 30 year Legion of Honor. He gave his talents and time to serve the most disadvantaged through the Kiwanis Club of Fort-de-France.



Lieutenant Governor Frédéric Rose ELIE pins Bernard LAVATER



President Daniel MAIGNAN, LG Frédéric ROSE ELIE and Bernard LAVATER (Kiwanis member for 30 years)

Memo

To All PLG's and Current LG's

The proposed amendments to the PLG by-law have been posted on the PLG Committee website www.eccplg.org under the "News" tab for review. It is the intention to vote on this matter at the Hamilton convention in May. Please take a minutes to read the proposal and come to the PLG meeting in Hamilton.

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DIVISION 25 ORGANISES NEWEST CLUB IN RAMBLE HANOVER

On January 21, 2016, the 101st birthday of Kiwanis International, the Kiwanis Club of Ramble Hanover in Hanover Jamaica was officially organised. The club has been organised with 42 new members. Under the guidance of Division 25 Lieutenant Governor Dr Martin Taylor and Club Opener Dwight Lawrence, the new club ratified their bylaws, elected their officers and directors and celebrated Kiwanis birthday with the cutting of a cake.

Newly elected President Kaydene Miles-Mclean who was instrumental in inviting community members to join Kiwanis, was ecstatic about the lives they would be able to positively impact as a club. And with the first community service project completed prior to the organizational meeting, the Kiwanis Club of Ramble Hanover has already demonstrated its commitment to service.

President Audrey Watson of the Kiwanis Club of Providence Montego Bay expressed what a joy it was for her club to put the Formula into action by sponsoring a new club in Division 25.

Love it, Share it, Live it!



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