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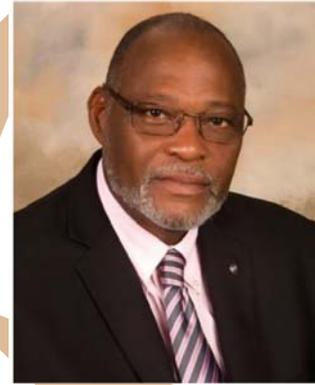
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Melford "Mel" Clarke



Seaason's Greetings to all members of the Eastern Canada & Caribbean District, and to our many sponsors and friends. Holiday celebrations are usually filled with the traditions of our past. We gather together, share a meal, embrace those we have missed, and enjoy the company of family and friends. Christmas, however, is that one time of year when love is expressed a little easier. Smiles are more genuine, our words are kinder, and in the excitement of the season, we become like children. How wonderful it is to see the mission of Kiwanis carried out in the hearts of all.

As you go about your personal business of preparing a festive holiday for you and your family, I invite you to remember the children which we, as Kiwanians have dedicated our efforts to serve.

This holiday season brings us to the end of our first quarter for the 2018-2019 Administrative year, and I wish to say thank you. Thank You for the various projects successfully held because of your contributions. Many children are in a better position because of your help.

I am excited to inform that our District has grown in membership since we began our year in October. Two new Clubs will be chartered soon and others are currently on the drawing board for formation.

I encourage you to keep up the good work. Extend a helping hand to those of us who are socially and economically challenged. Visit those who are sick or shut-in and embrace those who greave in love and unity.

You are also encouraged to do as I do, to be the child you once were. Engage with those around you - Laugh louder, lover harder, extend not only your hands to those in need, but your hearts as well. Let us as Kiwanians inspire others to embrace the true meaning of Christmas, as we seek to give primacy to the Human & Spiritual.

From my family to yours, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Melford Clarke
District Governor 2018-2019
Eastern Canada & Caribbean District
Kiwanis International

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Editor's Note



"People making lists, buying special gifts;
It's a time to be kind to one and all.
It's that time of year when good friends are dear,
And you wish you could give more
Than just a present from a store.
Why don't you give love on Christmas day

Even the man who has everything
Would be so happy if you would bring him love
on Christmas day
No greater gift is there than love."

As we enjoy the season with family and friends, let us remember those, even our own who may not be feeling the same way we do because they are grieving, depressed or for other reasons unknown to us.

I urge you to make contact with someone (a family member, a club member, a friend or a neighbour) whom you have not heard from in a while. Show them some love - it could make a world of difference.

"What the world need is love..." Remember, "**Love is patient, love is kind.** It does not envy, it does not boast, It is not proud. It does not dishonor others, It is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, It keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil. but rejoices with the truth."

As you continue to serve the *Children of the World*, may the gift of love, the gift of peace, the gift of happiness be yours at Christmas and the year ahead.



DID YOU KNOW?

LICENSING AND REGISTERED TRADE-MARKS

Kiwanis International has been helping children for 104 years. We do this by providing services to children who need them most, and by working with youth programs to instill the benefits of volunteer service while providing youth leadership opportunities.

It's important to make sure our brand and trademarks are used properly. That's why Kiwanis requires vendors to obtain a license when they prepare products for your club with any Kiwanis family logo. Licensing vendors helps protect our brand, ensuring that we will be here to help children and provide continued opportunities to our youth programs for years to come.

To improve the protection of Kiwanis trademarks while still allowing latitude for Kiwanis family members to use the marks, the Kiwanis International Board revised the "Use of October 1992 to require that all merchandise that is:

- Marked with a Kiwanis-family (Kiwanis, Key Club, Circle K, Builders Club, Kiwanis Kids, or Aktion Club) name or emblem, and Purchased or manufactured for resale.
- Must be purchased exclusively from the Kiwanis International Family Store or from an official licensee authorized by Kiwanis International to manufacture, sell, or distribute merchandise bearing a Kiwanis-family emblem.

If your club purchases merchandise marked with a Kiwanis-family emblem, your supplier (or your Kiwanis organization) must have a license to produce and sell these items.

Our partner [Affinity Consultants](#) is managing all of our vendors, making sure they are licensed and are properly using our logo and wordmark on promotional merchandise.



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CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF E C & C

Review the list of criteria below regarding the Lieutenant Governor's Quarterly Award. What can you do to help your club win the Award for Quarter 2?

Division winners are eligible for the Governors Award presented to the club with the highest standing for the quarter. **Make your club the WINNER!**

QUARTER TWO CRITERIA January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019

Sponsored a new club(s) that received its charter in the quarter
Added a new member(s) to the club roster
New Member Orientation completed with new member(s) reported under item #2 above
Mentor assigned to each new member reported under item #2 above
The Kiwanis Club sponsored a new Service Leadership Club
Secretary completed and filed three monthly reports for the quarter
The required number of members based on the size of the club attended an interclub
The Club's Signature Project has been reported on the Secretary's Dashboard
Divisional Dues/Lieutenant Governor Fund has been paid in full to the Divisional Treasurer
During the period October 1 st to March 31 st , a marketing plan has been developed to increase the club's profile in the community
Club was represented at the Divisional Caucus Meeting in the quarter and a full report was made to club's Board of Directors
The club completed the required Membership Drive following the directions and template received from the Lieutenant Governor in the first quarter
A minimum of one Service Project completed in the quarter
A minimum of one Fundraising Project completed in the quarter
The Club supported an SLP financially or with "hands on support" i.e. fundraiser, service project, attendance at meetings or mentorship
Compared to the Club membership number as of October 1, 2018, the club ended the quarter with no loss in membership

50 Hampers

Kiwanis Barbados South has for years kept their projects going, most on an annual basis, this includes the Independence Hampers.

This year was no exception as the more than 50 members of the club gathered at the Southern Palm Hotel (their usual meeting place), and in true Kiwanis spirit packed toiletries, canned items and food supplies. The hampers are a tradition for the club; they are packed and distributed to persons who members identify are in need.

Trevor Manning who heads The Community Services Committee under which the activity falls says, "Giving to people in need is such a great feeling, it makes us feel as if we are fulfilling our role in this life. We at this club love nothing more than to give, to help and to do



what we can to make people live at ease. The fifty hampers means a lot we are still in the fifties and we look forward to packing 60 in the next eight years when the country celebrates its 60th anniversary."

President Selvin Burton who lauded the members for their dedication to the project, said it is a tradition that through the years the club has kept and like many others, members look forward to coming to sort and pack and deliver them to those who they are selected for.



One Kids Place continues to benefit from Kiwanis coffee table book sales

Northern Shores, a scenic four-season coffee table book that Kiwanis Club of Nipissing initiated as a fundraiser in 2011 by then-President and book co-editor Chris Mayne has raised thousands of dollars to enhance One Kids Place Children's Treatment Centre programs and services for children in North Eastern Ontario Region.

The book has been a fundraising method over the past seven years and has achieved a new total – \$40,000 – with all proceeds going towards programs and services for the many children of Northeastern Ontario who use the facility. An initial 10,000 was given by Kiwanis towards the building campaign eight years ago. That is a combined total of \$50,000 for One Kids Place.

Kiwanis gives thanks to the many businesses and individuals involved in supporting the club to achieve this milestone amount. Kiwanis members have been serving area youth for over 72 years, enhancing the quality of life for North Bay families by contributing millions of dollars building legacy projects and sponsoring annual programs which provide many benefits to our community.

Mayne, the 2018-19 KC Nipissing President is grateful to the businesses and individuals who continue to support this One Kids Place fundraising initiative.



Kiwanis Club of Nipissing President Chris Mayne makes the presentation of \$10,000 to Denis Filiatrault, executive director of One Kids Place.

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"We wish to extend special acknowledgement to members of the North Bay Real Estate Board and numerous businesses who saw the OKP community benefit by making significant purchase of these books to make today's donation possible. To date, the book, available at locations such as The Green Store, Northern Shores Pharmacy, North Bay Museum and Homewood Suites have been seeing continued sales with their customers which has yielded \$40,000 from the proceeds of book sales," stated Mayne.

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Christmas Food Drive

On November 17, 2018, the Kiwanis Club of Elmira along with over 250 volunteers from various groups and community members conducted their 21st Kiwanis Christmas Food Drive. This year's canvas yielded over 20,000 pounds of non-perishable food for the Woolwich Community Services Christmas Goodwill Hamper Program.

This year members of the Breslau Air Cadets, Elmira District Secondary School FIRST Robotics Club, Elmira Scouts and Venturers, St. Jacobs Lions Club, several church youth groups and sports teams joined Elmira Kiwanis members in the door-to-door canvas of Breslau, Conestogo, Elmira, Heidelberg, St. Jacobs, Maple Grove, West Montrose and Winterbourne.

It sends a great message to the residents of Woolwich Township when so many groups and individuals work together to support our signature community service project. We canvas such a large area and number of homes that a little bit of food from many people turns out to be a lot of food for the less fortunate families at Christmas.



Woolwich Community Services Food Drive Co-ordinator, Tina Reid and Elmira Kiwanis member, Jim Stewart at the WCS food bank, the shelves of which will be stocked by donations collected during the Kiwanis Food Drive. Most of the food collected will go to Christmas Goodwill Food Hampers.



EDSS FIRST Robotics Club members take a short break for a photo op.

One of the trucks brought in by the Breslau Air Cadets.



Some of the volunteers with over 600 cubic feet of banana boxes filled with food collected from the food drive.



The Kiwanis Division 25 (Cornwall) has commenced the implementation of its 'Playground Effect' Project, which entails the execution of parenting workshops and the construction of playgrounds at 14 basic schools across western Jamaica, in partnership with the Early Childhood Commission (ECC), at a cost of approximately \$6 million.

Division 25 Lieutenant Governor, Glenda Miller, made the announcement during a media launch at the Hard Rock Café in Montego Bay, St. James, on November 15.

She said beneficiary institutions are six schools in St. James, three each in St. Elizabeth and Hanover, and one each in Trelawny and Westmoreland. In addition to developing playgrounds at the schools, the Clubs have commenced capacity building training workshops for at least 20 parents from each of the institutions.

These workshops, five of which have already been completed, will be hosted between November 2018 and May 2019. Lieutenant Governor, Glenda said the objectives of the project are: **to promote positive development of children, aged three to five through play; explore and provide capacity building support for parents; as well as supporting students' psycho-social and financial needs.**

Early Childhood Officer at the ECC, Faithlyn Lyle, lauded the Division for embarking on the project, noting that "the Commission endorses this very important initiative and is very appreciative of the partnership". Ms. Lyle said development of the playgrounds will result in the schools receiving an acceptable rating for items 5.2.1 and 5.2.2 of the Early Childhood Operational Standards, which focus on the availability and safety of playgrounds. This, she added, will result in the schools receiving a certificate of registration from the ECC.

Kiwanis Division 25, hopes to acquire project financing through their fundraising activities as well as sponsorship from various entities. Katrin Casserly representing Hanover Charities and Andre Dixon of Hard Rock Café, at the event, declared their commitment to supporting the venture.

Sponsors already on board are: the National Health Fund (NHF), Jamaica Money Market Brokers (JMMB), Kiwanis Children's Fund, Hanover Charities, Spanish-Jamaican Foundation and Hard Rock Café.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of the administrative year September 2019.

FUN IN AKTION

Kiwanis Division 23 East One Day project was held on both Friday October 26 and Saturday October 27, 2018 under the theme “Fun in Aktion”, “Championing the Cause for Service, Growth and persons living with Disabilities” which is the focus of the Division for 2018-19 administration.

On Friday, the day started with the **symbolic planting of shade trees on the grounds of Kings House.**

Lieutenant Governor (LG) Pamela Rodney White, along with persons living with physical and mental disabilities, Abdon Campbell - President of the Kiwanis Foundation of Jamaica, Lorna Bell - Executive Director, Special Olympics, and Kiwanians, were introduced to the Governor General, His Excellency the Most Honourable Sir Patrick Allen before the official planting of the trees. The Governor General expressed his pleasure to be a part of “this memorable occasion,” and congratulated Kiwanis on the initiative.

On Saturday, Kiwanians, in association with Special Olympics, witnessed the Inaugural “**Fun in Aktion**”. Over 127 special Olympians and persons living with disabilities having fun with 116 Kiwanians, 5 Kiwanis prospects, and 21 Service Leadership family members (Key Club and Circle K members).

The day’s activities started with an opening ceremony after which exciting games of BOCCE were played. BOCCE is a special game played by Persons living with Disabilities (PLDs). Kiwanians were taught the game and were able to play along with the PLDs. PLD teams were also playing football and scoring many goals for their teams. In the 100 and 60 metres dash and relays, Kiwanians tried desperately to win some of the races, but were outrun by PLD entrants, much to the amusement of the onlookers.

The day ended with a dance contest among Kiwanians and PLD members with the latter emerging the winners.



Governor General of Jamaica, Sir Patrick Allen, with Kiwanians, Special Olympics Jamaica, and persons living with disabilities plant the symbolic trees at Kings House to start off the Kiwanis One Day project

The day’s activities were enjoyed by all and there were many testimonials. One in particular had members teary eyed when one of the participants of the day said thanks on behalf of his colleagues and expressed that they were very happy to know that people still care for persons living with disabilities. He asked that the Division considers making “Fun in Aktion” an annual event.



Kiwanis Division 23 East would like to thank the major sponsors – National Commercial Bank, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Special Olympics Jamaica, University of Technology, and Betting Gaming and Lottery Commission - for their help in making the day a success and helping to bring Fun to our Aktion Clubs, i.e. persons with disabilities.

The day would not have been the success it was without our Kiwanians, Service Leadership Programme members, family and friends who supported in one way or the other.

Universal Children's Day Celebration

Kiwanis Club of Aruba celebrated Universal Children's Day on Saturday, November 17th. This year's theme was "Little Chef", a total of 50 children from different neighborhoods of Aruba were invited for a day filled with education, fun and excitement.



The last stop was at Epilicious Restaurant of the EPI Hospitality School where the children received a warm welcome by the Kiwanis members and volunteers of EPI School's student council. Upon arrival all the children received their chef hats and apron.

The day started early with a tour bus picking up the children of De Palm Tours and transporting them to Moomba Beach restaurant to enjoy a delicious breakfast. Later the tour continued to Santa Rosa, Aruba's local department of Agriculture, Husbandry and Fisheries where the children enjoyed a tour in Aruba's nature, learned and experienced how food is being produced / planted in Aruba.

To commemorate Universal Children's day, the children planted a mango tree in Hofi di Chabelito. The tree was named KIWANIS. In future the KIWANIS tree will provide fruits and shadow to all children that visit Hofi di Chabelito.

Professor Raymond of EPI Hospitality School taught the children the importance of keeping the kitchen clean and Mr Toussaint from the Aruban Fire department gave valuable tips and information regarding safety in the kitchen.

After the information sessions, the children received a tour of the EPI Hospitality School kitchen. Together with a group of future chefs of the Hospitality School, the children were assisted in preparing their own pizza.

At the end of the day the children were surprised with a goody bag filled with fruits, juices, corn flakes, sweets, cookies, cupcakes, bowl, spoon and mug.





**Playing Our Part
Jouer notre rôle**



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Stratford, Ontario
May 16–18, 2019

Come Play Your Part at EC&C DCON 2019

Governor Melford Clarke and the Stratford Host Committee are looking forward to welcoming Kiwanians and guests to the 102nd EC&C District Convention May 16th - 19th, 2019 in Stratford, Ontario, CANADA. The convention will be taking place at the Best Western Plus - The Arden Park Hotel.

Our theme is “Playing Our Part” – “Jouer notre rôle”. We believe that every Kiwanis Club, every Kiwanian and every Friend of Kiwanis has an important part to play in “improving the world, one child and one community at a time.”

Our team is lining up an exciting smorgasbord of educational forums designed to improve your Kiwanis service and experience. There will be the pageantry of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and in between guest speakers and entertainers who will stimulate your minds and stir your emotions.

When on-line convention registration opens on January 1st, 2019 be sure to take advantage of all the bonus events and experiences, especially Host Night at the Festival Theatre, opening day picnics in the park, and the Service Leadership Breakfast.

When you come to Stratford in 2019 we want you to experience some of all that our community and region has to offer. World class musical theatre, delicious meals, picnics in the park, shopping and country tours will be here for you to enjoy as you discover how “Dramatically Different” Stratford can be.

Keep watching our website (ecc2019.org), FaceBook and Twitter to learn more about all that you will enjoy at DCON 2019 in Stratford. Consider booking your travel and your accommodation early – even before registering. (See instructions on the website under “Stay With Us”.)

Travellers from the Caribbean will need a Visa or an ETA. Please check with your travel agent to make this arrangement.

Here are some FAQ's to help you plan:

Where will the convention be taking place?

Best Western Plus - The Arden Park Hotel, 552 Ontario Street, Stratford, Ontario, Canada.

Where will most convention attendees be staying?

A block of 122 rooms has been set aside at the Arden Park Hotel. Another block of 50 rooms has been set aside at the Festival Inn, 1144 Ontario Street, Stratford, Ontario, Canada – 2 km east of Arden Park Hotel. Both hotels are owned by the same company. Some attendees may choose to book their stay at one of numerous local Bed and Breakfast homes or in other local motels or hotels in Stratford or nearby.

Where is Stratford?

The City of Stratford is located in Canada's Province of Ontario. It is about 90 minutes west of Toronto.





Playing Our Part
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What is Stratford famous for?

Stratford is located in a rural agricultural area which has many large dairy herds and pig farms. The land around Stratford is flat. Stratford has many beautiful parks along the Avon River. Stratford is home to the world renowned Stratford Shakespearean Festival of Canada which annually produces at least a dozen plays and musicals in three or four theatres.

How Big is Stratford?

Stratford is a small city of some 32,000 people.

How do I get there?

Flying - Pearson International Airport is located on the western edge of Toronto. We have arranged for a bus to bring Kiwanians from the airport to Stratford on Wednesday, May 16th and back to the airport on Sunday, May 19th. There are other services available if you are arriving on other days. Please see the website under “Stay With Us” for more information. (Booking will be available until March 31st for the special Kiwanis bus. The cost is \$45 per person each way.)

Driving - Take the Highway 8 Exit off of the 401 and take Highway 7/8 west to Stratford when the highway divides. It is about 35 minutes to Stratford from this point.

How much will the convention cost?

Early-bird registration (January 1st to February 11th) is \$250 CDN. The regular rate (February 12th to April 29th) is \$310 CDN.

Room Rates:

Arden Park Hotel – Standard Room \$169.00 CAD Suites \$189.00 CAD

Festival Inn – Standard Room \$129.00 CAD (breakfast included)

More information is available under “Stay With US” on the convention website.

How do I get to the Best Western Plus - The Arden Park Hotel if I am staying at the Festival Motor Inn?

The Festival Motor Inn is less than two kilometres down the road. A shuttle bus will be available. Will there be a store for convention items?

Yes! Not only will you be able to order online in advance convention items will be available on site! Check the website under “Shop With Us”.

Where can I find more information?

Website - ecc2019.org FaceBook - [KiwanisECCDCON](https://www.facebook.com/KiwanisECCDCON) Twitter - [@KiwanisECCDCON](https://twitter.com/KiwanisECCDCON)

So, on behalf of the entire Kiwanis EC&C Division 5 – Black Walnut Planning Team:

Come and stay with us, play with us, and meet with us.

You'll be glad you did.

