



Kiwanis Eastern Canada & Caribbean District



# Newsletter

May 2016

## Governor's Message

May is here now and that means club elections and District Convention. I remind all clubs to make sure that their election results are updated on the International Website as soon as possible. Don't forget to include your membership and public relations chairs as soon as they are chosen.

Our Hamilton Convention is upon us and it will be exciting with over 400 Kiwanians and guests gathering to celebrate 100 years of Kiwanis being truly International. The forums will provide everyone with updated information on a number of Kiwanis educational things. The entertainment is ready to go and the Host Committee are looking forward to seeing their hard work come to fruition. Believe it or not, you still may be able to register and attend the convention.



Our new PR co-ordinators, Lisa Blake-Golding and Danielle Takacs, have attended the training sessions sponsored by Kiwanis International and are ready to spring into action. On April 23 and 24, over 70 Kiwanians came to Toronto to be updated on the Formula and actually engage and counsel several clubs from the Toronto to Peterborough area. Now all of the attendees have to return to the clubs where they are to provide assistance.

I wish all of the candidates running for office the best and thank them for stepping forward to lead our District. I hope to see everyone in Hamilton.

Working to Serve the Children of the World, I remain

*Allen Ure*  
Governor

## From the Editor's Desk



There is never a dull day in the life of a Kiwanian as there is always work to be done or Kiwanis business to attend to. And so, the next big Kiwanis event is our District Convention on May 12-14, 2016 in Hamilton where the 100<sup>th</sup> year celebration will take place.

In 1916 Kiwanis went international when the first club was formed in Hamilton.

Hundreds of Kiwanians from all over the world will gather in Hamilton shortly to commemorate this milestone and chart the course for the next hundred years.

We wish you all a memorable time.

Please continue to send your stories/articles for publication to [callu78@hotmail.com](mailto:callu78@hotmail.com).

In Kiwanis Service  
Merdina Callum

# Congratulations Jay!

The Eastern Canada & Caribbean Districts congratulate Jay McLaren on his appointment to the Algonquin College Board of Governors as the representative for the Waterfront Campus in Pembroke. An accomplished businessman and a retired faculty member, Jay has been a part-time teacher at the college for the past 13 years.

Jay's passion for service is evident in the time he dedicates to teaching and community volunteerism, primarily through Kiwanis. During his year as Kiwanis president he embarked on a \$50,000 fundraising campaign to support the building of the Waterfront Campus.



"I have always enjoyed my time in the classroom and continue to appreciate the enormous benefits the College brings to all of Renfrew County," says McLaren. "I am delighted and excited to join the College Board of Governors and look forward to helping ensure the Waterfront Campus in Pembroke prospers for many years to come," says Jay.

A Distinguished Lieutenant Governor, Jay was a Master Trainer for Club Leadership Training for Kiwanis EC&C Districts and he is currently the Leadership and Development Coordinator.

Jay Has served Kiwanis with distinction and integrity and we are confident that he will do an excellent job during his tenure as Board of Governors at Algonquin College.

## Think on This

To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity.

Douglas Adams

## Message from your Vice Governor

My fellow Kiwanians, several months ago the Long Range Strategic Planning committee of our District was assigned the task of developing a road map for the next five years based on Kiwanis International I-Plan.

Some Kiwanians may ask what is the I-Plan. Simply put, it is a strategic plan that ensures each District and Club reach their destination – their goals. The I-Plan is an organizational tool designed for each District and Club to use as a guide to create their own plans and choose their own paths towards accomplishing common goals. The plan focuses on four areas or priorities that will help Clubs, Districts and our overall organization thrive for years to come as a positive force for good in the world.



Over the last ten years our District has lost approximately 3000 members due to many reasons but mostly to the age old problem of retention. Our District is certainly not unique to this problem as this phenomenon prevails throughout the spectrum of the Kiwanis World. Five years ago the Eastern Canada and the Caribbean District began to re-structure our district to address some of the very same concerns Kiwanis International has begun to address. Fortunately, we are ahead in some areas of the I-Plan because of the four pillars that was created by our District. I am pleased to report our District completed our plan and submitted it to Kiwanis International in March 2016.

As we celebrate this milestone of 100 years of service and fellowship in Canada at our Hamilton Convention, I offer a challenge to all Kiwanians ; Attend the Forum on the I-Plan at the Hamilton Convention so we will be better prepared to achieve our mission as a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world "One Child and One Community at a Time".

Yours in Kiwanis,

Robert (Bobby) Moo Young  
Vice Governor



# Remembering a Kiwanian Stalwart



**Kiwanian Jim Marshall 1949 - 2016**  
*Making a Difference for the Children of the World*

## 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. (Kiwanisone.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

**LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.**

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## Key Club District of Canada

Key Club members of the Eastern Canada District celebrated the achievements of the service year of 2015-16 at the 69<sup>th</sup> District Convention in Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, Canada from April 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016. The convention was not only attended by over 20 key clubs, but also by Circle K members, Kiwanis members, and other guests! Here is a recap of the many events that took place at this year's DCON:

Almost 200 Key Clubbers gathered together for the convention, coming from all over Ontario, Québec, and the Maritimes. Although this convention celebrated the end of the service year and the achievements of Key Clubs across Eastern Canada, there were also bits of service and volunteering packed in, to amount to an amazing weekend. One of the most prominent events of the convention weekend was the Kids Against Hunger Packaging, which was the Kiwanis One Day Project (where Key Clubbers, Kiwanians, and Circle K members joined to-



gether for a day of service). During the Kids Against Hunger event, bags of dry chicken soup meals were



ackaged to give to the less fortunate. In total, 22,000 meals were packaged, half of which were given to a local shelter, and the other half sent to children in Malawi. Some fund-raising also took place at DCON, with \$955 raised towards the Eliminate Project.

Overall, DCON was a wonderful weekend, with many fun, enjoyable activities like the talent show, Miracle Minute, the workshops, and the award ceremonies. DCON ended the service year with a bang, and Key Clubbers that will bring their new knowledge, skills, and service ideas back to their clubs, to inspire their members to engage their spirit of service, and make their schools and communities a better place.



Kiwanis One Day is traditional Kite Flying Day in the Kiwanis Club of St Augustine. 2016 was no different!

This year, the Boys Home of Joshua Boys was selected and the club added an afternoon of fun.

Homemade kites were crafted and made by the 4 member Committee team. Cricket bat and ball, table tennis and soccer equipment was also provided for the home. So everyone ran onto the field and left exhausted, especially the Kiwanians some physically aching after.

Kiwanis Volunteers were out in their numbers and assisted in the team championship games.

Hotdogs, snacks and ices were supplied for the day! Their eyes lit even more when they realized that dinner was supplied and the meal that they daily long for "KFC"



# Club Leadership Education

## Getting To Know More About Kiwanis

Not sure about taking on a leadership role in Kiwanis or how to give your club a new surge of energy? There are plenty of opportunities to learn everything you need to know about Kiwanis.

### CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION:

For Kiwanians who are assuming leadership roles, Club Leadership Education (CLE) is a great way to learn about being a new or returning club president, vice president, secretary, treasurer or board member.

CLE is a half day forum offered at least once a year in May or June and is presented by Kiwanis International Certified Trainers. Your new Lieutenant Governor for your Division, will be organizing and coordinating a CLE day for the clubs in your Division or Region.

During the session club leaders work together to plan their upcoming year for their club. Topics include running effective meetings, planning service projects, planning new or improving fundraising projects, improving communications in your club, youth leadership programs, setting club goals, finding new members, keeping established members, club insurance, the I-Plan from KI and other interesting topics.

Attendees use a formatted workbook so they go home with a full set of new ideas for your club. As well, they share and receive ideas from other clubs. Lots of fellowship is also a part of a CLE day.

CLE may be completed in three ways. Attend the CLE Forum at the EC&C convention, or attend a CLE in your own Division, or take the course on line at [Kiwansone.org](http://Kiwansone.org). If your club needs a boost, or you are having a challenge getting members to take leadership roles, this is a great way to learn new strategies. As well, CLE will help your club with building your membership list.

### EDUCATION MODULES:

EC&C Education Committee has prepared a number of short training modules for use at your club meetings. These are designed to provide club members with insight into various Kiwanis topics. The following are the topics that are available:

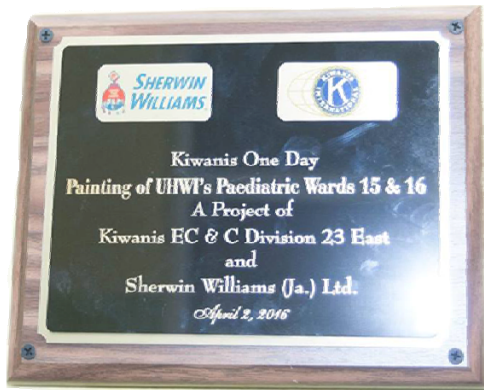
- [New Member Orientation PowerPoint](#)
- [The Convention Delegate \(2016\) PowerPoint](#)
- [Developing Short and Long Term Goals](#)
- [What are My Responsibilities to Kiwanis](#)
- [Kiwanis in a Changing World \(Guide\)](#)
- [Being an Effective Committee Chair \(Guide\)](#)
- [Kiwanis Etiquette](#)
  - [Presenter's Guide](#)
  - [Tips for Kiwanis Etiquette](#)
- [Refresher Quiz Instructions and Answer Sheet](#)

Every Kiwanis Club is encouraged to elect an Education Committee that organizes and presents a quarterly education session at your club.

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







Division 23 East, which comprises nineteen (19) clubs, had a fantastic One Day packed with service and fun!!!

Under the theme "Petals and Rainbows for a Brighter Life", all 19 clubs embarked on the painting of two (2) Paediatric Wards and the Paediatric Clinic at the University Hospital of the West Indies. This mammoth project could not have been completed in one day but instead was covered over two days.

Sherwin -Williams, our main sponsor, donated all the paint for the project. The special brand of paint used is odor-free and prevents high levels of mold growth. In addition to the painting job, there were donations of inverter, TV, fans and sanitizers to the department.

Approximately one hundred and eighty (180) members of the K-Family along with members of the community participated in the project.

The Paediatric Wards and Clinic now have a cleaner, more soothing and friendlier environment which will assist in the therapeutic process of the young patients.

Members of staff expressed their gratitude to the Division for the splendid display of service and dedication.



The Hon. Fayval Williams, MP, State Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Planning and Member of Parliament for the constituency in which the Hospital is located expressed her appreciation for the project.



From left, Mr. Ian Forbes, Managing Director of Sherwin Williams; LG Beverly Thompson; DP Pam, One Day chairman and Mr. James Moss-Solomon, Chairman of UHWI.

April 2, 2016 was celebrated as Kiwanis One Day and our club conducted 2 community projects to commemorate the day. We partnered with members of the public and parents to renovate the play area of the Railway Lane Basic School. The play area was painted, swings welded and outdoor tiles laid for hopscotch games. We also visited the Blossom Gardens Children's home where we helped to feed the children, comb their hair, sing songs and read stories. We also completed a vegetable garden and handed over seedlings from AgroGrace for the caretaker to continue the planting process.



## Providence's Kiddie Bee

The Kiwanis Club of Providence hosted its second annual Kiddie Bee spelling competition at the Calvary Baptist Church on April 21, 2016. The students trained hard over the past few months and they were excited to put their training to the test. We had a great turnout and DRB Grant School came out on top with Hemmingway Prep school placing second. This event was a huge success and we hope to keep the competition alive to years to come.



*“Compassion, tolerance, forgiveness and a sense of self-discipline are qualities that help us lead our daily lives with a calm mind.”*

~ Dalai Lama ~