

**Kiwans** Lastern Canada & Caribbean District Newsletter





### Editor's Note

It is the penultimate month of the 2016/2017 administration. Some of us may be wondering, where did the time go. Time flies when you have energized the dream and are living the FORMULA.

It truly warms my heart when I read the stories of the many and varied work being done in the District to change the lives of children and our communities. I really cannot envision the world without Kiwanis. Yes, we educate, save lives, feed the hungry, clothed the naked and shelter the homeless. Maybe you never looked at it this way but Kiwanis does all that and much more.

As Kiwanis International President Jane, "Every day we wake up is an opportunity to make the world a better place in which to live and love. It's a time to make Kiwanis something we are, the way we look at life, the way we do business and the way we live our lives. The world right now needs respect, love, caring and commitment. Kiwanis is just the organization to teach that."

Let us continue to Love it. Share it. Live it because #KidsNeedKiwanis. "Do it for the Love not for the Like."

In Kiwanis Service,

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## Governor's Message

My Fellow Kiwanians

### Report from Paris.

The 2017 Kiwanis International Convention was held in Paris, France from July 13-15, 2017. This year, I had the honour to attend as Governor of EC&C along with more than 115 delegates from our District. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest District represented from North America after Cal-Nev-Ha District. The Convention hosted 1,446 delegates representing 1,240 clubs worldwide. Elected officers for 2017-18 include PD Jim Rochford, PE Poly Lat and 4 new Trustees for US and Pacific Canada Regions. Daniel Vigneron of Luxembourg was elected Vice President.



Many convention delegates took part in the Bastille Day celebrations on Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup> along with Presidents' Macron and Trump! For more information on the KI amendments passed, please go to www.kiwanis.org/convention/2017amendments.

### All Island Convention - Jamaica

In August, I attended the 2017 All Island Convention at Moneague College in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. See photos below. Over 310 delegates and members representing more than 43 clubs in Jamaica participated in a great celebration of Kiwanis. Thanks to the LG's and DLGE Frank Henry for inviting me. We had a wonderful long weekend.



Let's get together and continue to do the good work of Kiwanis in our communities by forming new Kiwanis clubs and strengthening our Membership in order to *"Energize The Dream that every child will be happy, healthy, safe and loved!!"* 

Phil Rossy Governor 2016-17



"Energize The Dream.....that every child is happy, healthy, safe and loved." #KidsNeedKiwanis

## **2017 Signature Project Contest Submissions**

Club Name	Division	Project Title	No. of Years
Kiwanis Club of KC Tourtonne	26	Exercises for Exams	6
Kiwanis Club of Forest	3	Kiwanis Kineto Theather	40
Kiwanis Club of Rideau	12	Kiwanis Music Festival	72
Kiwanis Club of Chicoutimi	17	The Great Kiwanis Ride	4
Kiwanis Club Seaway	3	Seaway Kiwanis Children's Animal Farm	53
Kiwanis Club of Owen Sound	8	Santa Claus Parade	72
Kiwanis Club of Sarnia-Lambton Golden K	3	Lochiel Kiwanis Community Centre	37
Division Project	12	Shoe Bank Canada	7
Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown	4	Teddy Bear Picnic	25
Kiwanis Club of Curacao	26	Terrific Kid Program	5
Kiwanis Club of Manotick	13	Dickinson Day weekend	40
Kiwanis Club of Barbados North	27	Common Entrance Support Programme	17
Kiwanis Club Le Génipa de Ducos	27	The Telethon of associations of Ducos	
Kiwanis Club of St Catharines, Ont	6	Save Lock One-Port Dalhousie	
Kiwanis Club of Montego Bay	25	Education Session with Civil Servants	NEW
Kiwanis Club of Barbados Central	27	Annual Spelling Bee	3
Kiwanis Club of Providence-Montego Bay	25	Breast Cancer Awareness 5K Walk/Run	
Kiwanis Club of Barrie	8	Kempenfest	45
Kiwanis Club of Palm Beach	26	Kiwanis Carnival Masquerade Party	20
Kiwanis Club of Liguanea. St Andrew	23E	PLS DNT TXT N DRV CAMPAIGN	3
Kiwanis Club of Belleville	11	Kiwanis Annual Chicken Barbecue	36
Kiwanis Club of Young Professionals Kingston	23	Bring Up Grades Programme	4
Kiwanis Club of Over the Hill	22	Community Care Packages	NEW
Kiwanis Club of Orillia		Annual Mammoth Auction	39
Kiwanis Club of Fort Montagu	22	Annual Easter Egg Hunt	20
Kiwanis Club of Aruba	26	Assorted projects	
Kiwanis Club of New Providence	22	Kiwanis Reading Fair	10
Kiwanis Club of New Kingston	23E	Little Bee Spelling Competition	15
Kiwanis Club of Castries	27	Primary School Book Project	1

On Behalf of Governor Phil Rossy, thank you for your submissions. We are asking all clubs to continue to share their signature project with us. Please make your submission to signature project@kiwan



Signature projects are important for the future of Kiwanis. They help to elevate awareness of Kiwanis in local communities, engage current members and remind them why they joined. They also provide valuable and needed service to a community, and maximize community resources. It can be a service project, fundraiser or an event.

### **KEY ELEMENTS OF A** SIGNATURE PROJECT:

- · Recurring
- **Brand enhancing**
- High impact
- Memberships and partnerships
- Involves children



## Write your SIGNATURE PROJECT REPORT

 Describe the project briefly but covering important aspects, noting all requirements of a signature project.

- Include who and how many persons the project served.
- Who participated, including number of members, partners and Kiwanis partners.
- Provide supporting actions. Include news clips; print and TV media.
- Provide project cost and funds raised. • Describe the project impact and make certain it benefits children.
- Proof read and make sure your writing is formal and professional.

### Kiwanis Fredericton Celebrates Canada 150 with presentation of over 150 Childrens' Books



On June 26, 2017, to celebrate 150 years since Canadian Confederation, Kiwanis Club of Fredericton presented over 150 Children's books to New Brunswick Lieutenant Governor, Her Honour Jocelyn Roy Vienneau, Honorary Patron of "Born to Read" program.

"Born to Read" provides a bag of Childrens' books to every newborn child in New Brunswick.

Left to Right: Kiwanis Club of Fredericton VP Burt Green, Secretary Murielle Lordon, Province on New Brunswick Lieutenant Governor Her Honour Jocelyne Roy Vienneau, President Bill Cockburn, Treasurer Peter Curtis and Past President Noella LeBrun.

## Kiwanis Club of Nassau's Basketball Tournament



The Kiwanis Club of Nassau hosted a basketball tournament on July 8, 2017 between teen boys of Ranfurly Home and Great Commission. This project showcased the talent of the young men and provided a positive outlet for the youth to use strategy, teamwork and dexterity.

After a competitive game the Ranfurly Home team won 30 to 17.

## Kiwanis Club of Hopewell participates in the Division's Water Tank Project



LG Allan Causwell, Division 25 (Cornwall) saw the urgent need to ensure that Pre schools in his Division were given an opportunity to receive water inclusive of the necessary plumbing fixtures. With the assistance of LG Deborah Knight/Division 10, LG Allan received several donations towards a Water Tank Project for Pre schools in Division 25 which he shared among the clubs in the Division to enable them to donate water tanks to the needy Pre schools in their communities.

This project has impacted many young lives and the schools and clubs are very grateful for the gesture.

It was a pleasure for Hope Markes (President) and Laura Bryan (Director) to make the presentation on behalf of the club.



## Governor Phil in Kingston, Jamaica

From left, Division 23 East Lieutenant Governor, Eileen Hooper Donaldson, Governor Phil and District Bulletin Editor Merdina chilling at Kiwanis Club of Kingston Wine and Cheese Party which was held under the Distinguished Patronage of the Hon Dr Patricia Dunwell, Custos Rotulorum of St. Andrew on Saturday, August 19, 2017 in Kingston, Jamaica.

In the inset at right is Distinguished Lieutenant Governor of Excellence Stanley Dunwell.

## CANADA D'EH! FEST

A Kid-Friendly Celebration that Raised the Local Kiwanis Profile

anada Day in the country's capital is always a big deal, but this year, on Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday, the enthusiasm for celebration was especially high.

In what was a perfect potpourri of excitement, the Kiwanis Club of Orléans decided to assume the Canada Day mantle and to offer a family-friendly alternative to the downtown festivities, dubbing it the "Orléans Canada D'Eh! Fest". The event was held on Petrie Island, a nearby beach and park island, which offers a unique Canada Day experience.

The club partnered with local festival and entertainment organizations to ensure a wide array of fun and entertainment; we featured live music, a food truck festival, a fully-stocked KidZone, some great fireworks, not to mention recognition of our troops and our First Nations communities.

Despite the touchy weather, the community of Orléans came out in droves to take part in the festivities. We even had an unexpected kid (and adult) activity in the form of an enormous mud patch (spa-like mud bath?) brought on by the downpours, which was delightfully embraced by bare-footed families! There were numerous other kids' activities.

Leading into the evening live music concert, we had the opportunity to work with the Orléans School of Rock, a collaboration which gave nearly 30 young Ottawans the opportunity to perform on a professional stage for their community. These rising stars played impressive renditions of classic rock songs from the likes of Guns 'n Roses, Rollin' Stones, Led Zeppelin, and many others. It was a wonderful showcase of

our community's young talent, and an incredible experience for kids both on and off the stage to dance, cheer and party together.

The added benefit of this event was the raising of the profile of Kiwanis in Orléans and across Ottawa.





Through this event, we distinguished Kiwanians as service leaders in the community. We engaged doz-

ens of community groups, associations and local organizations, and carried the torch of civic engagement through kidfirst activities. Profiled in print media (multiple newspapers across Ottawa), radio, television, and social media (organic reach peaking at 9,624), we generated notable visibility and familiarity for the ways in which Kiwanians engage their communities and put the matters of children first.

The spotlight that this event shone on the Kiwanis name has already garnered interest from multiple potential members and community supporters. Growing our club locally means expanding what we can achieve here and around the world, and for that, we are extremely proud.



## District Documents Update

The following documents have now been released and uploaded to the **District Documents** page on the **District Website** found at... <u>www.kiwanisecc.org/</u>

(1) The KI approved EC&C District Bylaws which came into effect on October 1, 2016. Changes made to this document were as follows:

Section	Change Made
Article IV, sec. 3	- clarified wording.
Article V, sec. 1	<ul> <li>amended list of District Standing Committees to comply with KI Policies and Procedures.</li> </ul>
Article V, sec. 2 Article X, sec. 1	<ul> <li>added four District Standing Committees unique to our District.</li> <li>clarified wording.</li> </ul>

(2) The Eastern Canada Key Leader Program Risk Management Plan which came into effect on April 1, 2017. Changes made to this document were as follows:

SectionChange MadeAppendix 2- updated the members of the Key Leader Eastern Canada Committee for<br/>2016-17.

(3) The EC&C District Policies and Procedures which came into effect on June 1, 2017 Changes made to this document on April 1, 2017 were as follows:

<u>Section</u>	Change Made
Throughout	<ul> <li>Change the term Regional Trustee to District Trustee as approved</li> </ul>
Document	by the District Board

Changes made to this document on June 21, 2017 were as follows:

<u>Section</u>	Change Made
Definitions,	- included succession planning process to replace the DST Officers, & Sec 5.0
Sec 6.3.1	<ul> <li>add clarity to Face to Face meeting of the District Board</li> </ul>

### Submitted by:

PDT Glenn Pushman (<u>alenn.pushman@roqers.com</u>) Chair - District Bylaws and Policies Committee Vice Chair – Key Leader for Ontario

### NINETY YEARS OF GIVING TO THE SAINT JOHN COMMUNITY

ne of the major fund raising activities of Saint John Kiwanis is the Kiwanis Cash Calendar, which has raised over \$1,000,000 to put back into the community during the last 15 years.

President Linda Jarvis opened the event with Division 18 LG Mark Brewer serving as the Master of Ceremonies.

In attendance were Kiwanis Governor Phil Rossy, the Regional Trustee Paul Chapman, Mayor Don Darling, Provincial Ministers, MLA's, Dignitaries, Kiwanians, and Kiwanis supporters .

Kiwanis thanked its community partners, made special club-related presentations, and bestowed monetary gifts totalling over \$20,000 to a number of organizations in the community.

Special presentations included a Mel Osborne Fellowship Award to Member Linda Bridel in recognition of her special service and dedication to the work of the youth of this community.

Over the past 90 years the Saint John Kiwanis Club has invested an immeasurable amount of time and resources to the betterment of the children of the community and in the world beyond.







ls your Kiwanis Club ready?

> **YOUIH PROTECTION WEEK** Sept. 10–16

Nothing is more important than the safety and wellbeing of those we serve—and of the Kiwanians who serve them. That's why Kiwanis International annually presents Youth Protection Week. This is a great time for your club to review the Youth Protection guidelines and complete their youth protection training to ensure they are taking steps to protect our youth.

Education is the key focus for Youth Protection week and a great opportunity to train your members on youth protection at your club meeting. After completing the training, you and your club members should be able to:

- ◊ Understand the Youth Protection Guidelines.
- Identify troubling behavior or abuse.
- Respond appropriately if a child discloses abuse to you or if you witness troubling behavior.

Visit <u>kiwanis.org/youthprotection</u> to find all of resources to lead training and much more! Kiwanis members can also access the <u>online version of the</u> <u>training</u> to review it on their own time. Once the training is completed for the Kiwanis year, the Kiwanis secretary should indicate this on the re-

#### International Youth Protection Symposium

porting dashboard.

Kiwanis International and Boy Scouts of America invite you to attend the International Youth Protection Symposium, October 17-18, 2017, in Indianapolis, Indiana. At this important event, you have the opportunity to learn from subject matter experts why the safety of our youth, the training of volunteers and the commitment of our professional staffs is paramount to ensuring all children thrive in today's society. \$450 per person; includes two keynote speakers, all plenary sessions, welcome reception, two breakfasts and two lunches. Learn more and register at: <u>https:// iyps.kiwanis.org/</u>

### An update on the new policy of SLP advisor background checks as it relates to Eastern Canada and the Caribbean

In September, 2016 I sent you the following information that was sent to Governors, Governors-Elect, Secretaries, and SLP District Administrators in ECC, Western Canada, and PNW districts: This information has been updated by John Shertzer, Chief Programs Officer, Kiwanis International as of August 17, 2017 and reads:

- SLP Kiwanis Advisors in Canada are exempt from the background check requirement.
- Those attending Key Leader in the fall will still have a background check conducted by Kiwanis International. The cost for these is covered as part of the registration process.
- By the time Key Leader events in the spring 2018 occur, and the Key Club International convention registration is open in the spring, a different process will likely be in place for Kiwanians in Canada to secure background checks.

A different process should also be in place by the time we do the next round of required district leader (Gov-elects, SLP admins, etc.) background checks early in 2018.

## Please provide this information to your club members.

#### Youth Protection Manager 2017-2020

I would like to welcome Dennis Margueratt who has agreed to be our district's Youth Protection Manager for Eastern Canada and the Caribbean beginning October 1, 2017.

It has been an incredible learning experience for me to have been your Youth Protection Manager and I know it has been for all of you. It is my hope that we continue to work together to grow and hold ourselves and our fellow members to the highest possible standards of conduct and awareness.

Yours in Kiwanis, Janet Atkinson Des Roches Youth Protection Manager, ECC 2014-2017

## Campvention 2017

nder the theme "Empowering Builders for Leadership Tomorrow", 105 students from six (6) Builders Club accompanied by fourteen (14) faculty advisors came together between June 29 and July 3 for the staging of the 34th Campvention, (a combination of Camp and Convention), hosted by Kiwanis Club of North St. Andrew in Monegaue, St. Ann.

The children were randomly placed in six (6) houses named after six (6) Past Lieutenant Governors from the Kiwanis Club of North St. Andrew. This was geared at taking the stu-



dents out of their comfort zones and getting them to bond with students from other schools as well as to facilitate competition in sports and other team activities among the houses.



Over the five days there were educational tours, beach trips, karaoke concerts, talent show, church service and workshops. Topics covered in the workshops were: Puberty, Safety and Security in Schools, K-Family Relations and Building for tomorrow starting today.



The formal opening Ceremony took place on Friday June 30 with various

Kiwanis Leaders in attendance, including Division 23 East Lieutenant Governor Eileen Hooper-Donaldson, District Administrator Odence Rose, Chairman for Builders Clubs in Division 23 East, Distinguished Secretary Natasha Vassell and President Owen Wissart from the Kiwanis Club of North St. Andrew.

The Guest Speaker for the evening was the dynamic Ambassador Aloun Ndombet-Assamba, former High Commissioner to the United Kingdom.

One Builder described Campvention as a memorable experience where she spent five days with friends going on Field Trip to Trade Winds Citrus the Tru Juice Factory and also to Pearly Beach where they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. She said she would recommend Campvention to other children because it is a learning experience for discipline and responsibility.

## Kiwanis Kids Free Day At The Farm

iwanis Children's Animal Farm was created by Seaway Kiwanis Club of Sarnia 50 years ago. This year's event was particularly special as Canada was also celebrating its 150th birthday. There were many different animals and animal activity happening inside the barns and the barnyards. In addition there were bouncy and climbing type inflatables, BMX Track full of activities, a Best Buy tent with electronic games & drones, face painting, cookie decorating, Adopt-a- Scientist experiments, Play It Again Sports, our own Kiwanis Choo Choo train rides, plus free hot dogs, water and ice cream. The kids loved it.....



Three school buses were provided as a free shuttle service from four parts of the City to deliver the approximately 5,000 children and their parents to and from the Kiwanis Kids Free Day At The Farm. The other Kiwanis Club here in our City of Sarnia, The Golden K Kiwanis Club provided volunteers to monitor all four bus stops to ensure everyone was safe all day long. Their assistance was very much appreciated.

# BIKES BACK 2 LIFE



Bikes Back 2 Life project of the Kiwanis Club of Aruba started in June 2016. The club collects unused bicycles from the Aruban community. These bicycles are refurbished and put back in proper and safe riding condition by local bicycles shops Tri Bike Aruba and RadioShack. Once the bicycles are ready, Kiwanis Club of Aruba hands them over to needy children in the community.

The third handover for this project took place on Saturday, July 01, 2017. Fifteen (15) bikes were handed over. To date almost 50 children have been assisted with a bicycle.

With the generous support of the Aruban community, Kiwanis Club of Aruba will be able to continue providing the children of Aruba with a bicycle for their enjoyment. #KidsNeedKiwanis #KiwanisClubofAruba