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*With the St. Thomas*

# KINETTES!

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# "It's a HOOT"!

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Proud Members of District 1, Zone F



**Kin Canada**

**Kinette Club  
of St. Thomas**

## WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US!

Next General Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, April 22nd, 2014

**Time:** 6:30pm Social, 7pm Call to Order

**Place:** Knights of Columbus  
265 Wellington St.  
St. Thomas

**Club President:**

**Terry Baldwin**

(e): [president@stthomaskinettes.com](mailto:president@stthomaskinettes.com)

Bulletin Editors: Jodi McLaughlin, Melissa Bishop and Jackie Harris



# Greetings from our President

"Spring has finally sprung"! After a long, cold winter, these are welcomed words! Spring always brings a sense of renewal, refreshing and motivating us to get outside and enjoy the warmer weather. Working in our gardens, holding garage sales, kids playing outside; there are so many outdoor activities we look forward to.

The Kinettes are excited for spring and the fundraising events happening. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, the Kinettes will join the St. Thomas Kinsmen at their "Annual Easter Egg Hunt" in Pinafore Park on April 19<sup>th</sup> selling hot popcorn to raise funds.

We're also in full swing partnering with Tupperware for a TupperConnect™ Fundraiser, which enables our sellers to raise funds from family and friends both near and afar, in person and online. Kinettes receive 40% of sales at this fundraiser! Get your orders in by the 23<sup>rd</sup>!

Another fun and exciting event we have been invited to participate in is the "Tom Zombie Prom" on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Caso Station. The Kinettes will be selling beverages to raise funds and, who knows, there may be a couple of Kinette Zombies on the prowl!

This is also the time of year when the Kin Clubs across Canada elect their new Club Executive and the Kinettes are excited to hold their 1<sup>st</sup> election at our April 22<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting. Competition is good; it gives every member the opportunity to rise to the top and bring their fresh ideas, new strategies, and continue to learn; all part of being a productive Executive.

As a new club, we have dealt with challenges head on and celebrated our successes over the last year and continue to share a common goal and passion for our club. For continued success, engagement is key in the form of participation, ideas and feedback. We can't do it alone, but as a group, we can do amazing things! Watch for our new Club Executive soon to be announced.

Thank you Kinettes for your continued commitment; together we make a stronger club every day!

President Terry

*"The ones who are crazy enough to think that they can change the world are the ones who do!"  
~ Steve Jobs*

# Calendar of Events

**General Meeting** – Tuesday, April 22/14 @ 6:30 pm Social, 7pm Call to Order, at the Knights of Columbus, 265 Wellington St., St. Thomas

**April Social** - April 28th @ 6:30pm (3 Cedar St): **Bring** an open mind & perhaps a 'bevie' or 2. There will be a small fee - to be determined by the number of Kinettes that join us! Please let us know or comment on Facebook if you will be able to attend. Any questions contact Jackie or Brittany.

**Executive Meeting** – Monday, May 12/14 @ 6:30pm @ President Terry's home

**Annual Kinsmen Egg Hunt** – Saturday April 19/14 @10am – noon, @ Pinafore Park, St. Thomas. Knette's will be volunteering at this event as well as selling POPCORN!

**Spring Convention 2014 – “NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR”** – May 2-4, 2014 in Collingwood

**Tom Zombie Prom** - May 9/14 @ CASO (750 Talbot St) 7pm – 11pm – Volunteers needed to help set up and sell beverages to party goers at the prom

**Chart Night** - Drayton Knette Club on May 24th

**Charter Night** - The Kin Club of Saugeen Shores on May 31st

## Social Activity Schedule

Month	Knette	Knette
November 2013	Leslie Lumley	Jodi McLaughlin
December 2013	Lisa Muxfeldt	Anne Marie Vallee
January 2014	Deborah Murphy	Karen Coutts
February 2014	Jackie Harris	Alicia Peters
March 2014	Chantelle McGuffin	Melissa Bishop
April 2014	Brittany Galenkamp	Jackie Harris
May 201	Jennifer Barned	Terry Baldwin
June 2014	ALL KINETTES	ALL KINETTES

## 2013/2014 St.Thomas Kinette Club Roster

	Club Member	Position		Club Member	Position
1	Terry Baldwin	President	9	Lori McClymont	Secretary
2	Jennifer Bared	Active Member	10	Chantelle McGuffin	Vice President
3	Melissa Bishop	Membership Director, Bulletin Editor	11	Jodi McLaughlin	Registrar, Bulletin Editor
4	Karen Coutts	Awards Director	12	Deborah Murphy	Active Member
5	Sandra Craig	Active Member	13	Lisa Muxfeldt	Treasurer
6	Brittany Galenkamp	Active Member	14	Alicia Peters-Smith	Active Member
7	Jackie Harris	Risk Manager, Bulletin Editor	15	Anne-Marie Vallee	Active Member
8	Leslie Lumely	Active Member			

# Just for Laughs!



Why do we paint Easter eggs?

**Because it's easier than trying to wallpaper them!**

What has big ears, brings Easter treats, and goes "hippity-BOOM, hippity-BOOM, hippity-BOOM"?

**The Easter Elephant**

Who is the Easter Bunny's favourite movie actor?

**Rabbit De Niro**

# Kin Education

## Club Elections

What a great start to nominations at our March meeting! So, what happens next?

President Terry has accepted my offer to be scrutineer (the person who runs the election and counts the votes) for this year. I'll have another member helping me with counting as well...I'll figure out who that will be very soon. Nominations are still open for all positions.

At our April meeting, this is the process we'll follow:

1. We will do a final call for nominations.
2. When we've gone through the whole list, we'll need a motion to close nominations.
3. We'll go through each position, confirming that everyone who has been nominated is willing to let their name stand for that position.
  - If you really want a position, there's nothing wrong with saying so – sometimes, as women (and moms), we're afraid to speak up for what we want for ourselves...don't be!
  - And if you're hesitant about letting your name stand, remember that everyone else has the same experience as you. Frankly, learning how to do the job comes from actually doing the job, not from watching it. Seasoned Kin who have held executive positions multiple times will tell you that every year is different, and they learn something every time. Go for it! You know that the entire club will support you.
- According to the General Operating Bylaw of Kin Canada, the minimum number of officers we need for our club are the president, immediate past-president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer.
4. Ballot votes will be held for every position, starting with the president.
  - Elections will be run following Kin Canada's General Operating Bylaw and National Policies and Procedures, and following the District and Club House Rules.
  - If there is only one name on the list, the secretary will be asked to cast a ballot in that person's name.
  - All members receive one vote, with the exception of the president. The president will complete two ballots, one of which will go in the scrutineer's back pocket to only be used in case of a tie vote.
  - The winner of each position will be announced before we go on to the next one.
5. By the end of the evening, we will have our new slate of officers for the St. Thomas Kinettes! They will officially take office on July 1.

Submitted by Kin Education Chair Karen



## **President**

Jodi was nominated by Lisa, seconded by Sandra

Melissa was nominated by Jodi (declined)

Jackie was nominated by Karen, seconded by Lisa (declined)

## **Vice President**

Melissa was nominated by Alicia, seconded by Chantelle (declined)

Jackie was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Chantelle (declined)

Brittany was nominated by Sandra, seconded by Lisa (declined)

Jodi was nominated by Terry, seconded by

## **Secretary**

Jodi was nominated by Terry, seconded by Jen

Chantelle was nominated by Jodi (declined)

Lisa was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jackie (declined)

Terry was nominated by Jodi (declined)

Leslie was nominated by Karen, seconded by Jen (declined)

## **Treasurer**

Lori was nominated by Jen, seconded by Chantelle

Brittany was nominated by Melissa (declined)

Sandra was nominated by Jodi, seconded by Karen

## **Membership director**

Chantelle was nominated by Terry, seconded by Melissa

Jen was nominated by Alicia (declined)

Anne Marie was nominated by Sandra, seconded by Jen

## **Bulletin Editor**

Melissa nominated herself, seconded by Alicia

Lori was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jen

Karen was nominated by ??? (declined)

## **Awards Chair**

Anne Marie was nominated by Jodi, seconded by

Alicia was nominated by AnneMarie, seconded by

Sandra was nominated by Melissa, seconded by

## **Registrar**

Jen was nominated by AnneMarie, seconded by Terry

Brittany was nominated by Karen, seconded by Sandra

Chantelle was nominated by AnneMarie, seconded by Terry

## **Risk Manager**

Terry was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jen

Leslie was nominated by Jodi, seconded by Jackie (declined)

Lisa was nominated by Chantelle, seconded by Melissa

## **Cystic Fibrosis/Service Director**

Jen was nominated by AnneMarie, seconded by Sandra

Chantelle was nominated by Karen, seconded by Alicia

Alicia was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jodi

# Treasurer's Monthly Report



## Service Account: Kinette Club of St Thomas

Transaction Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
March 5, 2014	Deposit (Lottery)		\$200.00	\$2,118.72
March 31, 2014	Interest		.02	\$2,118.74
April 1, 2014	CK: 8 (Lottery)	\$280.00		\$1,838.74
April 7, 2014	Deposit (CF)		\$ 63.10	\$1,901.84
April 14, 2014	Deposit (Dress sale)		\$234.30	\$2,136.14

## General Account: Kinette Club of St Thomas

Transaction Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
March 5, 2014	Dues/shirt money		\$277.60	\$1,805.71
March 31, 2014	Interest		.02	\$1,805.73
March 31, 2014	CK: 9( Membership)		\$ 15.00	\$1,790.73
April 4, 2014	CK: 13 (incorp)	\$155.00		\$1,635.73
April 7, 2014	Deposit(dues/fines)		\$ 52.00	\$1,687.73
April 7, 2014	CK. 14(convention)	\$105.00		\$1,582.73
April 8, 2014	CK. 12(art gallery)	\$ 35.00		\$1,547.73
April 9, 2014	CK. 15(title search)	\$ 66.67		\$1,481.06



PLEASE update Karen Coutts – Awards Director  
IF you complete any item in the  
Maple Leaf Award of Distinction requirements

## ELIGIBILITY for the Maple Leaf Award:

- 1) Open to active or associate members in their first 2 consecutive years of joining KIN
- 2) MUST complete 6 out of 8 mandatory requirements
- 3) Attain a minimum of 300 pts in the Optional Requirements section



- ❖ The meeting was called to order at \_\_\_\_\_ by President Terry
- ❖ O'Canada led by \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Kin Song led by \_\_\_\_\_

**Address to the Chair:**

**"President Terry, guests and fellow Kinettes - "There goes Peter Cottontail, hippity, hoppity" Happy Belated Easter!"**

Sergeant-At-Arms: \_\_\_\_\_, fine session open.

- ❖ Introduction of Guests
- ❖ Installation of new Club Member - Jennifer Barned - Terry & Melissa
- ❖ Maple Leaf Award Talk - Melissa

**Secretary's Report:** Lori McClymont, Secretary

- ❖ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, that the minutes of the March 25, 2014 General Meeting minutes approved as printed in the bulletin.
- ❖ Correspondence

**Treasurer's Report & Dues:** Lisa Muxfeldt, Treasurer

General Account -  
Service Account -  
CF Donation Total -  
Bills paid -                      Bills outstanding -  
Total Dues Paid -

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Second by \_\_\_\_\_, that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

**Club Business:**

- ❖ 2014-2015 Final Nominations Open
- ❖ Elections - Executive Voting
- ❖ Spring District Convention Resolutions - Club Voting - Karen

**Club Projects & Committee Reports:**

- ❖ "A 2<sup>nd</sup> Dance Dress Sale Report - Karen
- ❖ Kinsmen Easter Egg Hunt & Popcorn Sale Report - Chantelle
- ❖ "Tom Zombie Prom - May 9 - Sign up - Jodi/Lisa
- ❖ 1st Anniversary Party - When, Where, What and Committee?
- ❖ Other Fundraising Projects Reports & Updates - All Chairs
- ❖ Bulletin Deadline & Updates - Jodi, Melissa, Jackie



Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_ to close the fine session.

**Announcements:**

- ❖ May Social Committee – Terry & Jennifer
- ❖ June GM Wrap up, Executive Installations and Social - Terry
- ❖ Maple Leaf Award Schedule: Talk – Jodi, Bulletin Quill - Deborah
- ❖ Heart & Stroke Bike Ride w/Kinsmen May 14, Boston Pizza 7:00 pm – Lori
- ❖ Meaford Kin Kamp Details and Deadline - Karen
- ❖ Next Executive Meeting – Mon, May 12, 2014, 6:30 pm – President Terry Baldwin’s Residence
- ❖ Next General Meeting – Tuesday, May 27, 2014, Knights of Columbus Hall, 6:30 fellowship, 7:00 pm meeting.
- ❖ Other Announcements/Comments:

**Registrar’s Report:** Jodi McLaughlin

- ❖ Total membership (Active) - 15
- ❖ Total members present \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Percentage in Attendance \_\_\_\_\_%
- ❖ Guests in Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

**Sergeant-at-Arms Report:** \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Adjournment:**

- ❖ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_ that the meeting adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_ pm.

Minutes - General Meeting #6  
Tuesday, March 25, 2014  
Knight's of Columbus Hall  
Fellowship 6:30 pm - "Campaign Night"  
Meeting: 7:00 pm



**Kin Canada**  
**Kinette Club**  
of St. Thomas

- ☞ The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by President Terry
- ☞ O'Canada led by Jodi
- ☞ Kin Song led by Melissa

**Address to the Chair:**

**"President Terry, guests and fellow Kinette's - "Welcome Spring - bring on the flip flops!"**

Sergeant-At-Arms: Chantelle, fine session open.

Introduction of Guests - Bryan Bakker, Chair of the St. Thomas Tom Zombie Prom and Sharon Lechner, Vice Chair/Event Planner. The Tom Zombie Festival Events are as follows: Prom May 9<sup>th</sup> Caso Station, Walk May 25<sup>th</sup> in Springwater, Festival Sept 27<sup>th</sup> at the Elgin County Railway Museum. They want us to sell Pop/water at the prom, Lisa and Jodi to chair. [www.tzf.ca](http://www.tzf.ca) for more info on events.

President Dave & President Beatrice Crowley & London Kinette's/Kinsmen presented on the CF / Service Director position and fundraising for CF. Make a balance for fundraising for CF, Hal Rogers and community. Do at least 1 event strictly for CF, Hal Rogers and Community. Report the service hours online. Participate in the one dime at a time campaign. Most of all have fun.

Membership Guests - Mary Pfeffer, Sherry Agnew, Paula Hill and Kinette, Life Member, Bulletin Editor Carol Cooper from London Kinette's in attendance

Zone F Conference Club Awards Presentation & Pictures - Bulletin Award to Jodi, Melissa, and Jackie. Rookie Kinette to Melissa.

**Secretary's Report:** Lori McClymont, Secretary

- ☞ Motion by Jennifer, second by Melissa, that the minutes of the February 25, 2014 General Meeting be approved as printed in the bulletin.

Correspondence - Rain Barrel.ca fundraiser idea, Diabetes camp donation request, Proxy Forms for National and District, **Kin**nections Newsletter, Kinship 1, District 1 Spring Bulletin.

**Treasurer's Report & Dues:** Lisa Muxfeldt, Treasurer

General Account - \$1805.71

Service Account - \$2118.72

CF Donation Total - TBA

Bills paid - \$35.00 to Art Center for Social, \$155.00 for Incorporation filing, \$66.07 Title search, \$105.00 President Convention fee.

Bills outstanding – None

Total Dues Paid – all but one and Jennifer's dues, the club has decided will be prorated @ \$33.00.

Motion by Lori Second by Alicia, that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

### Club Business:

- 2014-2015 Executive Nominations Open – Committee Anne Marie and Deb,
- contacted members for pre-nominations. Anne Marie recorded nominations at the meeting and the form will be in Dropbox. Nominations deadline for changes, additions and declines is April 15. Moved by Karen, Sandra that we move into Committee of the Whole for 20 minutes to do elections. Carried

### President

Jodi was nominated by Lisa, seconded by Sandra  
Melissa was nominated by Jodi (declined)  
Jackie was nominated by Karen, seconded by Lisa

### Vice President

Melissa was nominated by Alicia, seconded by Chantelle  
Jackie was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Chantelle  
Brittany was nominated by Sandra, seconded by Lisa (declined)

### Secretary

Jodi was nominated by Terry, seconded by Jen  
Chantelle was nominated by Jodi (declined)  
Lisa was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jackie (declined)  
Terry was nominated by Jodi (declined)  
Leslie was nominated by Karen, seconded by Jen (declined)

### Treasurer

Lori was nominated by Jen, seconded by Chantelle  
Brittany was nominated by Melissa (declined)  
Sandra was nominated by Jodi, seconded by Karen

### Membership director

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### Risk Manager

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Leslie was nominated by Jodi, seconded by Jackie (declined)  
Lisa was nominated by Chantelle, seconded by Melissa

### Cystic Fibrosis/Service Director

Jen was nominated by AnneMarie, seconded by Sandra  
Chantelle was nominated by Karen, seconded by Alicia  
Alicia was nominated by Melissa, seconded by Jodi

- ❖ Russ Jackman Life Membership Night & Kinette 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Party Update – Karen will be telling Russ that it is a 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary party but everyone else knows that it his party on June 14. Kinettes will be collecting photos & preparing the picture display/collages.
- ❖ Spring District Convention – “1964” May 2-4 – Early Bird Registration April 1<sup>st</sup>, Terry and Karen attending, need more members to attend.

### Club Projects & Committee Reports:

- ❖ “A 2<sup>nd</sup> Dance Dress Sale – April 12 - Karen wants the club to hang up posters and spread the word, keep getting dresses, members need to help provide items as listed in the Bulletin list. Also Doodle sign up on line to help out with the set up and sales on Friday and Saturday.
- ❖ Kinsmen Easter Egg Hunt & Popcorn Sale - April 19 - Chantelle/Terry – Sign up Sheet passed around for volunteers.
- ❖ Bulletin Deadline & Updates – April 15<sup>th</sup>- Spotlight Anne Marie, Quill Leslie. Please submit pics from the Sugarbush and all events that you attend.
- ❖ Other Fundraising Projects Reports – Tupperware, Melissa has books and forms for each member, Sign up on line and invite your friends to buy. We get 40% of sales from the fundraising book and only hostess credits from the regular sales book. Lunch kit prize to the Kinette with the most sales brought in.
- ❖ Tillsonburg Interclub Visit – Jodi gave a 2 min speech on the nights events, fun had by all who attended - Jodi, Terry, Lori, Deborah, Brittany.

Motion by Karen, second by Jennifer to close the fine session.

**Announcements:**

- ❖ April Social Committee – Brittany & Jackie
- ❖ Maple Leaf Award Schedule - Talk – Melissa, Bulletin Quill - Leslie
- ❖ London Kinsmen/Kinette Sugar Bush – Require help for Mar. 29 & 30 need volunteers.
- ❖ Tillsonburg Kinettes – My Princess and Me Ball Spread the word and pass out flyers.
- ❖ Next Executive Meeting – Confirmed with Executive Mon, April 7, 2014, 6:30 pm – President Terry Baldwin's Residence
- ❖ Next General Meeting – Tuesday, April 22, 2014, Knights of Columbus Hall, 6:30 fellowship, 7:00 pm meeting.
- ❖ Other Announcements/Comments: Carol mentioned the Princess Ball for CF to be confirmed for an October date in London; our 2 clubs could consider providing service work at the event. Carol to provide Terry with more information, not to conflict with the Diamonds and Denim Dance Oct 18<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Great Strides Walk for CF - London May 25<sup>th</sup> – Our club could join the London Clubs or make our own team for fundraising for CF- An event for the new CF/Service Director to look into.

**Registrar's Report:** Jodi McLaughlin

- ❖ Total membership (Active) - 15
- ❖ Total members present - 13
- ❖ Percentage in Attendance - 87%
- ❖ Guests in Attendance 8

**Sergeant-at-Arms Report: \$ 12.00**

**Adjournment:**

- ❖ Motion by Lisa, second by Melissa that the meeting adjourn at 9:10 pm.



It's a 'Hoot'!



**Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014**

St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre  
301 Talbot Street West

**Mystery Social Event**  
**Laughter Yoga with Heather Snow**

**TRY IT! P: 519-878-3785**

<https://www.facebook.com/ItsAHootLaughterYoga>

# Let's Eat:

## Pizza Mushrooms



Pre-heat oven to 350, bake for 20-25 minutes

### Ingredients:

As many mushrooms as you want!

Half or full container of Herb and Garlic cream cheese depending on how many mushrooms you're using

Small can of pizza sauce

Shredded cheese

Pepperoni; again depends on how many mushrooms you've got.

I also used turkey pepperoni

### Directions:

Wash and take the core out of each mushroom

Mix a handful of shredded cheese into a full container of cream cheese. If only using half container then half your shredded cheese as well.

Fill each mushroom to the top with cream cheese mixture

Small spoon of pizza sauce on top of each

Place a pepperoni on top of pizza sauce - sprinkle top of pepperoni with a bit more cheese.

Then bake away! They will be a big hit at your next event!!

Submitted by Alicia

# Bulletin Editors' Report

BULLETIN CONTENT	BULLETIN EDITOR	CLUB MEMBER Sign-up						
		Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Change over Meeting Minutes	Jodi	Jodi						
General Meeting Agenda								
Treasurers's Report		Lisa						
Club Roster								
Zone News Birthday/Anniversary Announcements		Jodi						
National News	Melissa	Melissa						
Distribution								
Membership								
Member Spotlight (Kin Profiles)		Jackie	Alicia	Chantelle	Brittang	Anna-Maria	Jen	Mel
Jokes & Brain teasers							?	?
Closing Thoughts (quote/Affirmation)				Alicia	Chantelle N/A	Jen	?	?
Photo editing/Infographics	Jackie	Melissa						
District News		Jackie						
Calendar of Events		Lisa	Terry	Jackie N/A	Lori N/A	Leslie	Deb	?
Kin related Quills or Articles							?	?
Editorials		Chantelle						
VP's Report	All 3 Editors	Jackie						
Cystic Fibrosis News				Karen	Karen	Karen	Karen	?
Kin Education					Brittang	Sandra	?	Mel
Recipes		Terry						
President's Report		Bulletin Editors						
Bulletin Editor's Report	All 3 Editors	Project Chair Person						
Club Project Reports		Bulletin Editors to ask an attending member						
Kin Event Feedback								
Proof reading and editing		Leslie						

## Bulletin Editors:

**Jodi McLaughlin:**  
jodi\_mclaughlin@hotmail.com

**Melissa Bishop:**  
melissa.bishopm@gmail.com

**Jackie Harris:**  
harrisville@rogers.com



Jodi, Jackie and I are completely honoured to have received recognition at the Zone level for the Bulletin Award.

**"District Bulletin Award- here we come!"**



# Zone News



The St Thomas Kinsmen and Kinettes would like to **Thank You** for attending the Kinsmen's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

**'Kin'gratulations!**



Rookie of the Year 2013-2014  
Melissa Bishop



2013-2014  
Sr Bulletin Award Winners  
Jackie & Jodi & Melissa

This year at Zone Conference in St Thomas, our Kinettes received **"2" awards, in our FIRST YEAR as a club**, way to go **LADIES**, it has been a group effort



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THE ST. THOMAS  
**TOM  
ZOMBIE  
PROM**

**MAY 9TH, 2014**

**CASO STATION  
(750 TALBOT STREET)**

**7:00PM - 11:00PM**

**\$20.00**

**(\$25.00 AT DOOR)**

**ALCOHOL FREE  
ALL AGES WELCOME  
FREAKY FOODS  
"LIVE" BAND  
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# District News

## Announcing Spring Convention 2014 “NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR”

Spring Convention “NINETEEN SIXTY FOUR” is fast approaching and will be held in Collingwood Ontario May 2 – 4th, 2014. Once again, the Kinetite Club of Collingwood is offering you an unequalled Kin event at Cranberry Resort Collingwood. Those that attended FLC 2010 will remember first class accommodations, exceptional meals and comfortable meeting spaces. NINETEEN SIXTY-FOUR will be every bit as wonderful, if not more!

Once you arrive at the Cranberry Resort you can park your car and put away your keys, all events will be held on site that weekend. Upon arrival, you will be given your registration information and boodle bags and will be ushered to the William Watts room for the Friday night opening ceremonies to be followed immediately by the speak-off and joke-off competitions.

We are looking forward to Governor Melissa leading us through our business session on Saturday so that we are able to gather together to celebrate 50 years of partnership with Cystic Fibrosis Canada, our commitment to service work in our communities and our participation in our awards programs, at our gala event that evening.

Sunday morning business will resume after a light breakfast and will culminate with the Governor's Brunch celebrating a wonderful Power of One year and ushering in our new leadership. The Governor has assured us we'll be on the road by 2.



Both evenings you will be hosted by the Collingwood Kinettes in our hospitality suite, so come prepared to move to the tunes of the era with Shane Walsh doing the spinning. All registrations for both the event and rooms must go through the Kinetite Club of Collingwood and early registration is in place only until April 1st. That means the registration must be IN OUR HANDS on April 1st.. Not postmarked as previously accepted. It is important to note that the hotel will be releasing rooms not booked on April the 2nd, so if you wish to stay at the host hotel, we must have your registration prior to that date.

On another note, we are able to accept Visa and Mastercard with a nominal surcharge of \$5. We hope this assists in getting your registrations to us early.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Convention Chair Monika McKean, contact information is on the registration form. Looking forward to hosting you in May.

To view registration details and to print the registration form [CLICK HERE](#).

# April Quill

Submitted by Leslie Lumley

I have always talked about writing a book based on my travels and devoting one chapter to toilets, so I figure this forum is the best for testing the waters, so to speak! My mother informs me that this has already been done by Erica Jong, but if I don't read her treatise on toilets until after writing mine, any similarities will be purely coincidental (or shared experiences, as it were).

I will preface this short essay by first explaining my pre-travel attitude towards toilets not my own. I quite successfully avoided them, at all costs, until I hit puberty. Even after that, I was able to maintain their use at a minimum. I believe this aversion comes from an experience with my mother, who taught me to hover over public WCs so as not to get germs on my bottom. This taught me that the public commode was a filthy place, teeming with a myriad of unseen germs ready to attack my fair bum and therefore, not to be trusted.

We'll begin with my first overseas toilet experience (Canada's and the States' toilets being nothing to write home about). The loo in my boyfriend's flat in London (UK) was interesting in that it was in its own room (the "Water Closet", or "WC") and it was flushed by pulling on a rope hanging from the ceiling. The water tank was on the roof, and collected rainwater exclusively for flushing. It was an ingenious idea that I had seen in one or two old homes in Canada, but that is lost now, including in the more modern homes in London. There was one other loo in the UK that also wedged itself in my memory. I have always had a delicate tummy that doesn't usually take well to deep fried food. However, one cannot visit the UK without enjoying battered and fried fish wrapped in newsprint, right? Well, unfortunately my tummy did not agree, and at a petrol station just outside of Sherwood Forest, I found myself in need of their facilities. I first asked for the bathroom, which really perplexed the station attendant, then the washroom, which further complicated matters (my bowels had taken over my mental faculties, otherwise I would have remembered "loo" and "WC," both of which I knew from my love of British literature). Finally I remembered "toilet" was a universally accepted word, and was told where to find it. If you have read the book *Trainspotting* (or seen the movie, but the scene I'm thinking of is **much** more graphic in the book), you will know the state of the toilet I encountered. I doubt it had ever been washed since being installed, and considering the colourful nature of the outside of the bowl, it had also been used by elephants! (This is not hyperbole!)

Fast-forward to my second time travelling overseas. As the plan was to camp as we "backpacked" through Europe for 72 days (we had a leased Renault Clio, instead of the traditional backpacker's Euro rail pass), I knew I'd have to get over my public toilet aversion with haste. Perhaps it is this John aversion that has enhanced my memory of the majority of public toilets that followed this first long trek of mine.

Interestingly enough, the first toilet I encountered in France, upon landing at Charles de Gaulle, was both a very interesting one, and the one that erased my aversion forevermore. I was queuing up for the first available stall, which just so happened to have Japanese characters on it. This should have been my clue as to what I encountered inside – my first porcelain squatter! The squatter is a porcelain-lined hole in the ground, with a treaded footrest at either side. Contrary to what I learned one teacher in Korea did (causing tremendous suffering from a series of "unexplainable" rashes), a squatter is NOT meant to be sat upon! After using it (properly, natch), I became a dedicated fan of the squat! Unlike the hover, the squat is maintained at a more comfortable, natural angle, which makes it easier to maintain for longer periods – although the need for more time is greatly reduced by the position, which facilitates *movement* – if you get my drift. Anyone who has given birth naturally will know what I mean!

Toilet seats or their lack thereof, was the other distinguishing feature of the French public commodes that struck me as odd. It is arguably much easier to squat over a toilet without a seat, but still not as easy as using a squatter. After my experience at de Gaulle, I had expected to see more of the squatters; however, it seems to have been placed there for the benefit of the Japanese tourist, who by and large does not use a tent as their accommodation whilst in France.

There were no other memorable Johns in Europe, although the medieval toilets in castles, consisting of an overhanging room made of stone with a hole in the bench inside, were quite intriguing. One can imagine the stains that would have been observed down the sides of those castle walls! When I next travelled to Asia, however, I once again encountered very memorable loos indeed! But, as they say in *Tales of the Riverbank*, "that is *another* story"!

**Proposed Cystic Fibrosis/Service Operating Budget  
2012-2013**

Respectfully Submitted  
Joanne Bint & Adrian Helm  
District 1 Cystic Fibrosis Service Directors  
2012-2013

	2012/2013 Proposed	Actuals
<b>Revenues</b>		
Allotment	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
Pins and decal Sales	\$2,500.00	\$968.10
Interest	\$1,000.00	\$224.62
Coke Machines	\$100.00	\$59.09
Fines Pots	\$250.00	\$383.52
Merchandise Sales	\$250.00	\$0.00
Silent Auctions	\$500.00	
FLC Silent Auction		\$1,094.00
FLC Wine Raffle		\$2,223.24
Spring Silent Auction		\$1,396.00
District Programs:	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous		\$42.95
Club Donations		\$139,824.61
of donation cash		\$1,497.77
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,100.00</b>	<b>\$158,713.90</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Postage & Shipping	\$150.00	\$0.00
Phone & Fax	\$150.00	\$0.00
Photocopying	\$50.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$75.00	\$79.09
Financial Review	\$200.00	\$0.00
Incoming Dir. Travel to AGM	\$1,000.00	\$181.60
Incoming Dir. Meals for AGM		\$80.94
Directors Travel	\$1,500.00	\$694.86
Tributes & Gifts	\$350.00	\$34.22
FLC Speaker	\$225.00	\$0.00
FLC supplies		\$107.25
Sp. Conv. ZR	\$250.00	\$138.83
Sp. Conv. Exp	\$225.00	\$522.72
Zn Dir. Travel	\$175.00	\$64.00
Zn Dir. Mtg.	\$250.00	\$42.45
Orientation	\$250.00	
Spring into Service	\$150.00	
Pins	\$700.00	\$706.25
Decals		\$28.25
Bank Charges	\$200.00	\$44.50
Awards	\$200.00	\$204.36
Allotment 13/14	\$11,000.00	\$10,500.00
CF Donation		\$145,000.00
		<b>\$158,429.32</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>\$158,713.90</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$158,429.32</b>
<b>Total Balance</b>		<b>\$284.58</b>

Balance to go to current Cystic Fibrosis Team

*To District One Executive  
I have analyzed and checked the account / budget summary  
of this CF Account for the period July/12 to June/13 and this  
Statement fairly reflects the activity of this period. Paul Johns CPA/CA  
Nov 22/13*



**PROPOSED CYSTIC FIBROSIS**  
**SERVICE DIRECTORS**  
**OPERATING BUDGET**

**REVENUE**

ALLOTMENT	\$	11,000.00
PIN SALES (500 PINS)	\$	2,500.00
INTEREST	\$	150.00
COKE MACHINES	\$	50.00
FINES POTS	\$	150.00
MERCHANDISE SALES	\$	500.00
SILENT AUCTIONS	\$	1,800.00
CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRIP	\$	2,000.00
FRIDAY 13TH (FEB&MAR)	\$	1,000.00
RAFFLES	\$	1,000.00
TERRACYCLE (TASSIMO)	\$	400.00
TERRACYCLE (JUICE BOX)	\$	200.00
 TOTAL	 \$	 20,750.00

**EXPENSES**

ALLOTMENT 15/16	\$	11,000.00
BANK CHARGES	\$	200.00
POSTAGE & SHIPPING	\$	150.00
PHONE & FAX	\$	100.00
PHOTOCOPYING	\$	100.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	200.00
FINANCIAL REVIEW	\$	150.00
DIRECTOR TRAVEL	\$	2,000.00
INCOMING DIR TRAVEL	\$	1,000.00
FLC EXPENSES	\$	250.00
SPRING CON EXPENSES	\$	500.00
ZONE REP TRAVEL	\$	700.00
AWARDS	\$	700.00
PINS (500 PINS)	\$	900.00
PROJECT PROGRAM	\$	500.00
ORIENTATION	\$	250.00
TRIBUTES & GIFTS	\$	700.00
 TOTAL	 \$	 19,400.00
 SURPLUS TO CYSTIC FIBROSIS	 \$	 1,350.00

SUBMITTED BY:  
DAN STRUGAR & TIFFANY ALLAN  
DISTRICT ONE CYSTIC FIBROSIS & SERVICE DIRECTORS  
2014 - 2015



Draft Budget for Kin Year 2014-2015 District 1

District 1 Operations				
	Actual 12/13	Budget 13/14	Budget 14/15	
Executive Expenses	3,196	5,000	4250	Value form coordinator
Preterm				\$1,850
Sept. council				\$400
Midterm				\$2,000
2nd presenter DLS			284	
V-G Team	2500	2500	3000	Set in House rules
DG Allotment	3700	4250	4150	99-15 X \$50      left in 2 new chartered clubs
National Director			N/A	
Special Risk Ins. Premium			N/A	
D. Membership D.	947.2	1000	1000	
Membership programs	1633.83	1000	1000	
District planner	303.13	422.91	500	
Gov. Honorarium	1500	1500	1500	2X \$750
Mileage Executive	5620.89	6000	4,500	mileage estimated at \$0.30/km
Mileage Deputy Governors	1508.92	5800	6,000	
National President Tour	250	500	500	confirmed that Pres. Ron plans to visit us
Total		28550	26,684	
Conventions				
FLC	7963.55	7281.29	7019	Windsor Reg. \$130 Room \$115+ tax shared by 2
Spring Convention	11006.06	11000	11000	Location TBC
National Convention	n/a	3500	2,000	2nd Governor to National in T.O.
Total	18969.61	21781.29	20,019	
Other Operations				
DLS	3108.07	3253.96	1550	25 X \$142 minus \$2000 from National
Leadership S. Seminar		750	1000	\$1850- \$850 = \$1000
Zone Conference travels	15	100	280	zone conference registrations
Total	3123.07	4103.96	2830	
Kinship One				
Publications	581.27	500	500	2 printed copies
Postage	100	300	300	this year \$97 for 1st issue
Website Host	122.4	125	150	
Total	803.67	925	950	
General Administration				
Stationary/Secretary	303.91	500	500	
Video Conference		600 n/a		
Postage	596.84	500	600	Postal rate have increased Jan. 2014
Telephone	n/a	200	100	Long distance
Kin Sales/Tributes	1693.3	1000	1000	
Dist. Council Shirts	739.83	875	499	(27-9) X \$23 + tax + \$30 shipping
Awards	1069.83	1500	1000	Less banner chevrons to order
House Rules	262.75	278.75	400	
Professional financial fee		150	150	
Return to Surplus	5000	5000	5000	
Fines: ND"P Fund	earned 250	300	200	
Fines: other			100	
Charter Funds	544			
Misc. Expenses			50	
Misc./Service charges	0.2	150	100	
Service bank charges	n/a	250	100	
Total		11475	9749	
Total Expenses	64316.87	77950	69,982	
Net Income	1894.56 n/a		333	



District Budget Kin Year 2014-2015			
Surplus/Trust Accounts	Actual 12/13	Budget 13/14	Budget 14/15
<b>Operating Surplus</b>			
Open Balance	42098.96	34776.19	33276.19
Ins. Premiums	-1782.97	n/a	n/a
Advance to Incoming Team		-6500	-8000
Return of Advance		5000	5000
Kin Canada Foundation			
Additional Interest earned			
Year End Adjustment	1894.56		
Special Risk Ins.			
Year End Balance	42210.05	33276.19	30276.19
<b>Membership Expansion Fund</b>			
Open Balance	5000	5000	5000
Expenses			
Close Balance	5000	5000	5000
<b>Charter Expansion Fund</b>			
Open Balance	3907	3951	3951
Woolwich/Fergus	-500		
Dues from New clubs	544		
Closing Balance	3951	3951	3951
<b>NDP Trust Fund</b>			
Open Balance	2230.44	2480.44	2780.44
Fines	250	300	200
Closing Balance	2480.44	2780.44	2980.44
<b>Total Surplus Year End Balances</b>			
Operating Fund			
Surplus Funds	34776.19		
Membership Funds	3603.85		
Charter Funds	11137.44		
NDP trust Fund	3718.42		
Total Turnover/forwarded	53235.9		
Total Expenses	64,316.87	77,950	69,982
Net Income	1,894.56	none	333

DLS + start up

Draft of District 1 Operational Budget Kin Year 2014-2015

Revenue	Actual 12/13	Budget 13/14	Budget 14/15		
Insurance			no longer applies		
Member Dues	47424	48892	49842	1404 x \$35.10	1431-15-12 = 1404
House Rules	500	495	485	97 X \$5	2 new charters grace on dues payment
Convention assessment	10000	9900	9,700	97 X 2X \$50	99 clubs - 2 new chartered clubs
Kinship 1 and Web Ads	625	500	300		
Interest	648.43	400	400		
Fines: Sp.Conv./FLC		300	200		
other	14	150	100		
Leadership S. Seminar		750	850	\$10 x 85 attendees	
District L. Seminar	2000	2000	2000	Amount from National to host this event	
Advance from surplus	5000	5000	5000	Regular advance for DLS and start up	
Surplus 2nd Govern to Nat'l		1500	2000		
Surplus cover operating expenses		8063			
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>66,211.43</b>	<b>77,950</b>	<b>70,315</b>		
Disbursements					
Convention Assessments	10,050	9,600	9,700	97 X 2X \$50	
FLC Fine Pot					
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>10,050</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>9,700</b>		

**FLC 2013 Final**  
**Kinsmen Kinnettes of Preston**

**Income**

Registrations	
	1970
	6685
	5815
	425
	3145
Hospitality	<u>653.79</u>
<i>sub</i>	18694

**Expenses**

Holiday Inn	12568
Sound	109
Décor	175
Pres registration	120
Boodle Bags	202
Rebates	2300
Hospitality	<u>575</u>
<i>sub</i>	16049

**Net Profit                    2645**

# National News



## Hollywood North

August 14 - 16, 2014

Toronto, Ontario

Kin Canada Headquarters will be organizing the 2014 Kin Canada National Convention (#Kinvention). This year's theme is #HollywoodNorth. For travel details and discounts, visit our [Convention Travel](#) page.

### Host Hotel

**Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel** 123 Queen St W Toronto, ON M5H 2M9 [www.sheratontoronto.com](http://www.sheratontoronto.com)

Single & double rate: \$169.00/night Triple rate: \$199.00/night Quad rate: \$229.00/night

To reserve a room at our special rate, [book online](#) or call 1-888-627-7175 and say you are a part of the KINvention Annual General Meeting or quote the group code KIH11A.

Reserve early - the cut-off date is **July 11, 2014**

## Registration [Form](#)

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, May 25, 2014!**



WALK WITH US  
**MAY 25, 2014**

Cystic Fibrosis Canada is making great strides, because others take strides. This year across Canada, friends, family and colleagues of Canadians with cystic fibrosis will lace up their sneakers to participate in the Great Strides™ walk

Year after year, volunteers make each Great Strides™ walk a family friendly, fun, and successful event. Since 2005, our participants and volunteers have raised more than \$18.5 million to advance CF research and care programs.

Visit our [new Great Strides™ walk website](#) to get started and learn more about the walk. Follow Great Strides™ on [Twitter](#).

**To register a team:**

<http://www.cysticfibrosis.ca/greatstrides/fundraising-resources-and-faq/get-started/>

**Find A Walk:**

**Cystic Fibrosis Chapter Name:** London

**Location:** London

**Walk Location Name:** Greenway Park

**Address of Walk Location:** Greenside Ave, off Springbank Drive

**Check-in:** 9:00 a.m.

**Event Time:** 10:00 a.m

**Registration Fee:** No

**Length of Walk:** 4 km

**Pets Allowed?** Yes, on leash

**Parking?** Yes

**Wheelchair Accessible?** Yes

**Special Activities:** Activities, pancake breakfast and drop off empty bottles to be donated to Cystic Fibrosis Canada



## Inter-club Visit to Tillsonburg Kinette Club

Brittany, Terry, Lori, Deb. March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014



President Terry with Tillsonburg President, Tammy.



# Membership

Looking forwards to our club growing stronger and having even more fun as we begin to embark on our new fundraising events and service projects!  
~ Melissa Bishop



**"Pssst"...**

**Please invite your friends to...**



Like us on  
**Facebook**

[www.facebook.com/StThomasKinettes](http://www.facebook.com/StThomasKinettes)

# Club Member Spotlight

**Name:** Anne Marie Vallee  
**Nickname:** Annie  
**Current position:** General member  
**Years of Kin service:** 1

**Best thing about being a Kinette:** being part of the family of Kin and building relationships with fellow club members

**What attracted you to our club:** Wanting to join a service organization because of my love for St. Thomas and as a way to give back to the community. This has always been a goal of mine.

**Age:** 58  
**Birthdate:** August 4th  
**Occupation:** Hairstylist  
**Hometown:** Barrie, ON  
**Pet:** cat name Nala (she only loves me lol)

**Always wanted to be (when I grow up):** a Teacher and a Hairstylist. I am proud to be able to do both now - I take in co-op students. A true passion of mine!  
**I can't live without:** my family!

**Close friends say this about me:** that I always see the good in people

**My strongest skill:** my ability to look at the positive side of any situation  
**Love to learn more about:** to learn more about the Business side of Kin  
**#1 on my 'Bucket List':** Biking through Europe with my sister



ANNE MARIE  
VALLEE



**My biggest accomplishment:** becoming more independent

**One strength I admire in other women:** their drive & intelligence

**Hobbies:** Yoga, Zumba, Karaoke, Long walks and going to the north and nature walking

**Fav Colour:** Green

**Fav Food:** Veggies

**Fav Drink:** Beer

**Fav Heroine:** Meryl Streep

**Fav Book:** Eat. Pray. Love

**Fav Quote:** He who hesitates is lost ~ Joseph Addison

**Fav Actor/Actress:** Matthew McConaughey/Meryl Streep

**Fav Movie:** The Sound of Music

**Fav TV Show:** Blue Blood

**What is one fact that others would be surprised to learn about you?** I Love to dance!

All Princesses are cordially invited to

# My Princess and Me Ball

Saturday, May 31/2014  
Doors open at 1:00pm. Dance 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
Carriage Hall - 25 Brock St. West

Princesses should wear their party dresses  
and be escorted by an adult.

Meet a Princess      Mini Manicures  
Cupcake Decorating      Photos and more.....

Advance tickets are \$40 per couple and  
\$10 for each additional Princess.

All tickets purchased before May 17th will be entered into  
a draw to win a mini makeover by  
**Tranquility Health & Beauty Centre** the morning of the Ball.



For tickets please call Carrie Smith  
at 519-688-4849  
Check us out for more details  
on Facebook - Tillsonburg Kinettes







## Upcoming Birthdays & Celebrations!

### **APRIL 2014**

Chantelle McGuffin's Anniversary - April 14th

EASTER WEEKEND – April 18th - 20th

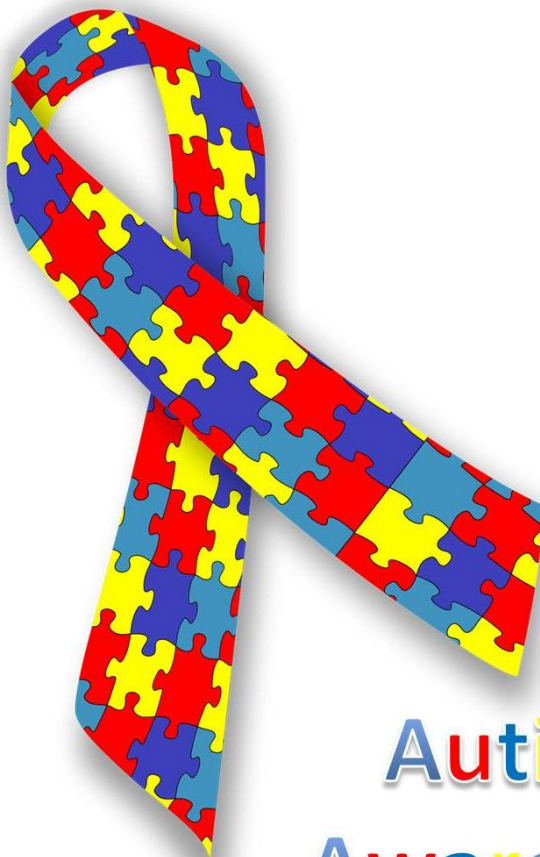
Jackie Harris – April 21st

### **MAY 2014**

Rob & Jodi's Anniversary – May 12th

Scott & Lori's Anniversary – May 19th

## Closing thoughts...



### **APRIL IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH!**

*"Tell me, and I forget. Teach me, and I remember. Involve me, and I LEARN!"*

Way ahead of his time...Benjamin Franklin may have said it best.  
(used in many autistic learning environments)

~ Submitted by Jennifer Barned

**Autism  
Awareness**