

# **FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2015 BROCHURE**



**Kin Canada**

**St. Thomas  
Kinsmen Club**

To my fellow Kin from District 1,

Welcome to YOUR Fall Leadership Conference, Komic Kin 2015!!

The FLC committee from the St. Thomas Kinsmen club has been working very hard over the past year to make this year's conference as fun, positive and memorable as possible. With help from the entire club, the amazing facility hosting our event, The Best Western Plus Stoneridge Inn, the businesses, sponsors, friends from the City of St. Thomas and area, and YOU for coming. Without all this "stuff" coming together this conference would not have happened.

My hope for this weekend is, first and foremost, that everyone HAS FUN!! Friday night should be a blast with opening ceremonies and some great costumes. With our theme being "Komic Kin", I'm hoping to see some pretty amazing superheroes and villains dancing the night away.

Secondly, learning!! Please take full advantage of the courses offered Saturday afternoon. There is a lot of knowledge amongst your fellow Kin, you can't pass that knowledge on if you don't first learn it yourself. So see what's available and join in.

And lastly, enjoy the whole Kin experience. The fellowship, the common goal of making our communities better and the business part of Kin to make Kin better. Weekend like this make us as Kin stronger and better to Serve our communities greatest needs.

So, welcome, enjoy, learn, and thank you for being part of our Komic Kin weekend

Henk van der Linde  
*President,*  
*Kinsmen Club of St. Thomas*

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Hello District One Kin!

Welcome to Fall Leadership Conference 2015 Komic Kin.



We are so excited for this weekend and hope that you are as well. The BTTF Executive has put a huge effort into planning this weekend to ensure that you are able to return to your clubs with some new knowledge. We know the St. Thomas Kinsmen have been very busy planning a wonderful weekend for us as well - thank you for all of your time spent on this weekend gentlemen!

Throughout the weekend please remember to enjoy yourself! District events are an amazing opportunity for you to meet new Kin friends and learn from them. Working together to share ideas and knowledge will only enhance our already incredible clubs and district.

Do not hesitate to approach any BTTF team member this weekend if you have any questions, comments, or would just like to chat. We are always here for anything you need.

Remember to grow, learn, make friends and HAVE FUN this weekend!!!

Yours in Kin, heading back to the Future...

Katie & Curtis  
Governors, District One



# 2015 FLC AGENDA

## **FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6th, 2015**

9:00pm Opening Ceremonies – Main Ballroom

9:30pm Hospitality & Costume Party!!!

## **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7th, 2015 – Business will be conducted in the main ballroom, workshops will be located in separate breakout rooms TBA**

6:30am Breakfast (until 9:30am)

7:30am Credentials Desk Open

8:30am Call to Order

10:00am Coffee Break

10:15am National Board of Directors Presentation

11:15am Business

12:15pm Lunch

1:00pm Reconvene and Travel to Workshops (workshop start at 1:15pm)

*\*New Members Seminar will be located in the main ballroom during BOTH breakout sessions in the afternoon\*\**

### **Workshop Session One (choose one)**

- Risk Management 101
- Creating a Culture of Respect in Kin

2:15pm Coffee Break and Travel to Workshops (workshop start at 2:30pm)

### **Workshop Session Two (choose one)**

- Cystic Fibrosis & Service
- Rules of Order

3:30pm Reconvene in Main Ballroom

6:00pm Meet & Greet with the BTTF Executive – Main Ballroom Entrance

6:30pm Dinner & Awards (followed by hospitality suite)

## **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH, 2015**

7:30am Breakfast (until 10:30am)

# **Deputy Governor Reports**

## **Zone A**

### **Zone A Kinettes**

Installations for Zone A Kinettes are all done – finally! It has been great to get out to other clubs in the zone and meet newer members, as well as getting reacquainted with the familiar faces!

Guelph is busy planning for their annual Seniors Tour of Lights, Christmas Craft Sale, and Guelph Storm game tickets. I would like to welcome their new member, Michelle – transferring in from District 3.

Preston Kinettes are also busy with One Stop Shop, Wish Tree shopping, Breakfast with Santa, and Snow Golf Tournament. They have also started meetings for 2016 Carnival, and are hosting Zone Conference this year. Certainly no moss growing on those ladies!

K-W installed 3 new members at their October general meeting, and had 6 guests in attendance. As with all clubs they have several Christmas projects on the go – selling Poinsettias, Needy Family shopping with KW Kinsmen, and buying gifts for KW Habilitation clients dance. They are also going to be setting up tables at Christmas bazaars selling their latest product, and also manning the Tree of Angels at Conestoga Mall in Waterloo.

Unfortunately, the other Kinette Club in Zone A has folded. In spite of that I am looking at positive growth for this year.

I am looking forward to working closely with DG Derek on a Presidents Round Table meeting, new member's seminar and a social for Zone A.

That's what's happening right now in the Awesome Zone – Zone A

YIK,  
DG Elaine Couch

### **Zone A Kinsmen**

Well so far so good, it seems as every one of my clubs are going to be busy in the next couple months, Lots of planning in the works so projects should be everywhere in the zone . Still seems to be a communication issue that's the problem I will work on that in the coming months!!! Made some visits but many more to go

YIK  
DG Derek

## **Zone B**

So far this year the zone is off to a busy start.

The first Presidents roundtable was held in October. Tina did a great job of leading the meeting as I unable to attend. There were a grand total of 4 clubs in attendance. Zone B is trucking along the same path as it does every year. The clubs I have had visited this year are in good spirits and getting along with their projects. We have already had a wide range of events this year.

The Mount forest club held their annual road toll on Thanksgiving weekend,

The Drayton club house is now complete (for the second time) looks great and is very welcoming. They held an open house back in May that was well received.

The Kinette Club of Center Wellington is once again chaperoning the teen dances in Fergus, they are there a few times a year which they use to help fund club expenses.

The Lucknow Kinsmen has some great plans in the works for Music in the Fields this coming year, the camping is going to get a whole lot better. They have also made an awesome donation to Cystic Fibrosis to the tune of \$20,000. Other events in the area would be the Strawberry Social and Ball Hockey tournament. Some great things coming from Lucknow Kinsmen.

Fergus and District Kinsmen continue to be a strong club of 7 that all attend, they may not have the numbers but they are committed. Upcoming events are the Ladies night comedy on April 16 and a joint project with the area Kinettes to hold a dinner and Minute to Win It game night.

Monkton Kinsmen are another small club with great attendance. They have many small projects on the go from building a toy box for the sand toys at the playground to maintaining the Kin Pavilion in town. These men are ready for the work but just need new membership to keep themselves fresh.

Listowel Kinsmen continue to concentrate their effort on the success of Paddyfest by hosting and organizing many events throughout the town with the concerts being the largest draw.

The Listowel Kinettes are a very social club with friendships spreading outside of Kin doors. They have wonderful dinner meeting that are always entertaining with a great fine session.

Finally our brand new baby club in Wingham is still out knocking on doors and making themselves known in the area as they work hard with the local food share. This club has great members that will surely stand out as time goes on.

As you can see it is set to be another exciting year in Zone B, and I can't wait to see what the remaining clubs have in store for us. Stay tuned....

YIK

Tina & Fred

## **Zone C**

Good Morning District 1. As I prepare to do my reports for Council At FLC, the sun is shining & it is fairly warm outside. Hard to believe that Oct. is winding down & we are almost into Nov.

I am happy to say all of my installations except 1 club are now done & I've been gathering information on the goings on in Zone C.

I'll start with my own Club this time.

Collingwood Kinettes.

We have been a busy bunch. We have had a few guests come to our meetings after coming to our Meet & Greet night in Sept. We have invited them out again. We just finished our latest project "All about Me" Ladies event. We had over 30 vendors plus our own Kinette bake table, our Membership table, & our raffle table. We all had to work together, but we pulled it off & it was a great success.

Now we are gearing up for our Annual Craft Sale. This is where Kinettes get together with lots of friends, bring them for a fun night out of socializing, dining & bidding on our Crafts that we all make to

make. We again have a Membership information area so that the information is available to anyone. It is a lot of fun, but people can also see what we do in our community. I joined Kinettes after being to a Craft Night! We will also be selling Rheo Thompson chocolates again for the Christmas season. We currently have 7 Members in our Club.

#### Wasaga Beach Kinettes.

These Ladies seem to be working better together after Governor Katie & myself have gone down a few times to go over things with them. They just finished another box lunch, they do a food drive in the spring & fall & just donated \$1000.00 to the Community Food Bank. On Nov. 8th they are hosting a Remembrance Day Luncheon, then Nov. 13-14 is the Annual House Tour which I will be helping at this year, Nov. 28th they are putting in a float for the Santa Claus Parade & handing out goodies, Dec. 6th they are serving the lunch for the Mayors Reception, & Dec. 10th-13th is their Toys for Kids that they do for the children in the area that need help at Christmas time. They are currently at 18 members, down 2 from last year.

#### Shelburne Kinettes.

A lot of their fundraising projects are running the mobile kitchen for events in the area. They were at both Fiddlefest & Pickin in the Park. In Oct. they went on a mystery weekend, & they all had a great time. They had 8 out of 10 go so I'm sure there were some great memories made that weekend. They have a bit of a break now, but coming up in Feb, they have Shelburfest, & they also help out at the Easter Event, the Heritage Day Event & July 1st Event. They currently have 10 Members, down 1 because she moved away from the area.

#### Flesherton & District

This is the Club that I still haven't been able to visit with. It has been rescheduled for Nov. 10th so hopefully I will be able to do the Installations, & give more of a report. Projects that they do include Food Drives & Bar Tending at different functions in their area. They will participate in the Santa Claus Parade, & they are also planning a Craft Show with different vendors from the area. They are currently at 9 members, the same as last year.

#### Beaver Valley Kinettes.

These ladies have been cooking & serving the dinner for the local Beaver Valley Masons. They will also be tending bar for The Town of The Blue Mountains Christmas party. They have been doing these events for the last 5 or 6 yrs. They are also selling MacMillans for fundraising. And as an ongoing thing, they provide Birthday Cards to the residents of their seniors home. They are currently at 10 members, the same as last year.

#### Meaford Kinettes

This Club keeps busy with working on Kin Kamp all year. They also helped run the bar for the Kinsmen Ball Tournament, helped the Kinsmen run the BBQ for the Meaford Craft Show, & still put on a roast beef dinner on the Sat. night & served over 100 people. They are selling MacMillans this year also as a fundraiser. They do a Group Home Dinner the 1st week of Dec. They entertain & make lunch for the local group home & everyone gets a gift. Also as an ongoing project they sign & deliver Birthday, Christmas, & Valentines cards to the residents of their local Retirement & Nursing homes. They are currently at 17 members, up 2 from last year (which I had the pleasure of doing the Ceremony for the 2 newest Members the night I visited).

It is always interesting to be able to visit & share ideas with the Clubs. I get inspired hearing the different things they do in their Communities. It is just one more of the reasons that I love being

involved with Kin. It makes you so proud to know that all of us are working together to "Serve our Community's Greatest Needs"

YIK

Debbie Hodgkinson - Deputy Governor

## **Zone D**

Unfortunately due to personal reasons I have not been able to visit as many clubs as I would have liked by now. November should be a better month and the Zone team and I will be making up for lost time.

The Clubs have been busy with projects and celebrations;

- Fonthill and District Kinsmen held there Toll Road fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis last month

- Fonthill Kinettes are marking their 1 year anniversary Nov 4th. They are a dynamic club of women who continue to grow in members and very active in the community

- Niagara on the Lake Kinsmen won the 2015 Volunteer for Service Club. The Kinsmen Club of Niagara-on-the-Lake was chosen for their many contributions such as the Kinsmen Car Show, Easter Egg Hunt, Bicycle Wine Tour. Kinsmen also support many organizations in the Town but was singled out for their service to the community as the "Official Bartenders of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake" for fundraising events - Priceless Volunteer for Service Club

- The Fort Erie Kinettes and Kinsmen in conjunction with the Salvation Army hosted the monthly Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce 'Business After Five' in October.

Our clubs have many more events coming up including participating in many parades, craft shows, Christmas assistance and so much more.

Zone D has had some memberships numbers drop recently so the Zone D team will be working with Melissa Whetham to find ways to recruit and retain members.

DG Eileen

## **Zone F**

### **Zone F Kinsmen DG Council Report, Sept-November, 2015**

St. Thomas-My home club has been busy with planning FLC, and things are shaping up for Komic-Kin to be a great weekend. As of writing this report, we were only aware of one room in the hotel that had not been booked by Kin, and the committee chairman was thinking of booking it just so the whole hotel is Kin. It looks like Wakey Wakey is Back! The club is also busy planning our joint entry with the St. Thomas Kinettes into The St. Thomas Optimist Santa Claus Parade. We also have our tickets printed for the Annual Electronics Draw, to be held on December 19<sup>th</sup> at Ollee's Bar & Grill

Dorchester-Installations were completed in mid September, and the club is at 11 members. They have a few things to raise funds, such as a Ducky Race, Fireworks, and a Steak night, but they do not seem to be too busy in the fall.

London- Installations were done at the Sugar Bush in late September. I imagine this will be a tough place to get to in the winter months! With an active membership of 15, the club is actively supporting there past president Dave in his journey fighting cancer. They are planning for Sugarbush, and have a float in the London Santa Clause Parade. They were also co-planning a Fall Fair in East London.



Tillsonburg-I completed installations in late September with the largest club in my zone. With a roster of 38 Members, the Tillsonburg Kinsmen know how to do things. They had a few members going up to Camp Jackson, outside of Bala/Gravenhurst for a weekend to help the Scouts Camp improve the facility. They also have a new members night in the works, and a fun night before the calendar year is out!

Delhi-The Delhi kinsmen are 8 strong, with every member having served as Club President in the past. The biggest issue for this club is a need for new members. I did installations the night they hosted the Zone for our Club Executive Seminar, and I plan to return to learn more about this club in November. It seems most of the funds come from clubhouse rentals, but the hall is up for sale.

Simcoe-This group of 9 guys all showed up for the installations in mid October. That was most likely more for the Jays Game than to meet me, but I felt special to know I met the whole club. They were asking for more Kin Education with how to obtain certificates of insurance and navigate the National website. I was successful in giving a crash course to three members that night, and that seemed to meet the need. I hope to get a second visit in shortly. Funds raised by food tents at local fair, and Fireworks sales. They are working on an annual Christmas Food drive as well.

Aylmer- I installed the Aylmer Kinsmen on October 15<sup>th</sup> at one heck of a dinner meeting. These guys have a good thing going with the Knights of Columbus and a local caterer. At 17 members strong, I believe their youngest member is currently president. Fellowship seems to be high in this club, and they are actively planning the annual KINSMEN SANTA CLAUS PARADE. Income mainly from Parade Donations, Fireworks and Nevada Sales.

Port Dover-I will continue to make attempts to contact this club. I have a phone number and an email address, but have not received a response yet from 6 emails and two phone calls. Hopefully they will reach out to me shortly, so I can find out what is happening down in Port Dover

Matt Sharpe, Zone F Kinsmen Deputy Governor

## **Zone F Kinette Club FLC 2015 Council Report**

### **District 1 Zone F Club Executive Seminar - Oct. 8, 2015**

The Zone F Club Executive Seminar held on Oct. 8 hosted by the Delhi Kinsmen at their Clubhouse was enjoyed by Kinsmen and Kinettes from London, Tillsonburg, Delhi, Simcoe, Aylmer and St. Thomas. Our District 1 Cystic Fibrosis/Service Director, Wendy Rolfe and District 1 Webmaster, Russ Jackman, provided very informative presentations. Wendy had everyone participate in the "breathing through the straw" exercise to demonstrate the feeling of limited breathing similar to those who suffer from Cystic Fibrosis, a very powerful demonstration. Additional facts and information about CF and how to get more involved with CF and service projects was also presented. Russ explained how clubs can access our District 1 website and post our club information, creating websites and using various social media for promotions and membership building etc., an excellent sharing platform and useful tools. The evening continued with Executive Position Breakout Sessions offering more education to the members. Karen Coutts presented the comment cards to collect welcomed feedback and then announcements and "For the Good of Kin" with fellowship and delicious pizza to end the evening! Deputy Governor Matt and I felt the evening was a great success and was pleased with the turnout and support.

Another idea that we introduced at the CES was the Zone Event Tracking Calendar for all the clubs in Zone F. Secretary, Elise Stark will contact the clubs in the zone the beginning of each month to find out what is happening in their clubs for events, projects etc., she will update the form and share on the District 1 website and the District 1 and Zone F Facebook page.

## **Zone Conference - 2016**

The Zone F Conference is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 28 in St. Thomas, location to be announced. The St. Thomas Kinettes will be hosting the conference.

## **Kinette Club Updates**

### **The Tillsonburg Kinettes – President Judie**

The Tillsonburg Kinettes continue to work hard and maintain a strong, large membership. The monthly general meetings start with a catered dinner that allows them some time for fellowship at the beginning of their meetings. The meeting environment is very friendly and open with lots of sharing and discussion. While some are not totally familiar with their position roles, they help each other to ensure proper procedures are being followed by the more seasoned and past Executive members. They step up for each other and from this they learn.

Various Christmas and future events are well underway - Tour of Homes for Christmas, Santa Breakfast, Christmas Parade, The Princess and Me Ball, 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Dining with the Past. The committee reporting was well planned and received.

### **DG Notes:**

The Executive Installation is complete. Currently the club has 26 members. They present a friendly atmosphere and active enthusiasm. I enjoyed the fun they had with Secret Sister. I look forward to the meeting again in the new year.

### **The Delhi Kinettes – President Carmen**

No changes or news to report.

### **The Kinette Club of Elgin – St. Thomas – President Jodi**

The St. Thomas Kinettes have been very active the last few months and are progressing well with events and building a healthy financial base. They ran the Annual Fire Muster Beer Garden at Pinafore Park on the Labour Day weekend and donated to the local Fireman Association, bartended at the Kinsmen Comedy Night and donated to a local Boy Scout chapter.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Diamonds & Denim Fundraiser dance was Oct. 24 to an almost sell out crowd of ladies only. The event was a great success and a good time was had. The silent auction was bigger and better and raised just over \$2000 for the Violence Against Women Services Elgin County. They did well with the 50/50 and a lucky lady won a diamond bracelet!

Christmas is busy. Plans are underway to shop for toys and personal items to support the Second Stage Housing organization to help women and children surviving abusive homes. The club is registered for the Samko and Miko fundraiser to ask the public to submit receipts from the huge annual toy sale Nov. 12 to 17. The Kinettes will purchase toys at the sale at great prices for the Second Stage Housing project. They are also planning to be in the Santa Christmas Parade on Nov. 21 with the St. Thomas Kinsmen. Once again the popular Mint Chocolate Smoothies are being sold and the proceeds are going to Cystic Fibrosis along with the ongoing One Dime at a Time collection for CF.

### **DG Notes:**

The Executive Installations were performed at the June GM. I'll be attending most meetings as my home club. As this club continues to work hard, the members as a whole, with special attention to the new members and first time executive, continue to learn and understand their roles and responsibilities, club rules and policies, rules of order etc. and develop their fellowship, while recognizing the importance of club retention. Currently the club has lost 3 members and now have 14.

## **The Kinette Club of Greater London – President Carol**

The London Kinettes have continued to be busy with their ongoing events and new projects. Their big event, that I had the pleasure of attending with DG Matt, Governor Katie and Curtis and National President Kim Peters, was their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, 75 Years of Sunshine and Smiles. There was an open house and Stevenson Children's Camp Wish fundraiser with dinner and presentations. It was a great weekend of fellowship and fun, even with the poor weather on Saturday, it was a successful event.

Christmas events are the Christmas Bazaar Nov. 21, helping the Kinsmen with the Santa Claus Parade Float and continuing their sessions of baking at Ronald McDonald House and ongoing catering events.

### **DG Notes:**

The Executive Installations were performed at the June General Meeting. I attended their Oct.15 GM at Billy T's Restaurant. Good meeting with fellowship over dinner, a lot of sharing and discussion with plans for the new year and Christmas events. The recognition of their members for accomplishments and Secret Sister adds to the friendly atmosphere. This club maintains its positive growth with 15 members.

## **The Simcoe Kinettes – President Debbie**

The Kinette Club of Simcoe presented great enthusiasm and planning to get their club moving forward in a positive direction. There was discussions of a few them attending the business portion of FLC, which hasn't happened in years, they donated \$50.00 (what they could afford) to the St. Thomas Kinsmen for FLC boodle bags. I helped them with a simple fundraiser suggestion for Christmas to sell Mint Chocolate Smoothies, they are seriously considering this.

Other Christmas events in the works are Sponsoring a Family, Santa's Mailbox, possibly the Christmas parade and they are looking at Christmas bazaars to promote membership and sell the mint smoothies. Future events discussed for fundraising is a family roller skating day and a mad science family event.

### **DG Notes:**

The Executive Installations were performed. There was dinner and fellowship prior to the meeting, they always provide dinner at their meetings. The enthusiasm was refreshing and I felt a positive feel for the future of their growth. I look forward to my visit in the new year and hoping to see a few at FLC. Membership is at 8 and they are pleased with their increase.

I'm really enjoying the club visits and events and interacting with the different Kinettes. I'm certainly learning more as I go and I welcome the stories, conversations, history of these clubs and even the suggestions and concerns. They're all working very hard, addressing challenges and giving back to their communities!

Yours in Kin,

**Terry Baldwin**

Zone F Deputy Governor

Back To The Future Team 2015-16

## **Zone G**

### **ZONE G DEPUTY GOVERNOR REPORT -RANDY SAMMS**

New to District 1 Zone G, being Deputy Governor is what can I saw ...AWESOME.

The Members in this zone are go-getters...and flexible, every club is different and has their own attributes and a different Community Need.

As in other zones there are clubs that hold to their own.. not good but they have their reasons. A request was made to all Club Presidents and Vice Presidents, needless to say I have only heard from a very few Clubs. Visitations/Installations have been made to my home club, Sarnia, have completed installations in Chatham, Dresden and Blenheim.

**The Kinsmen Club of Sarnia** has grown and is now a Kin Club (Still named Kinsmen Club of Sarnia) the new executive is GREEN utilizing new members , so the directors and senior members are mentoring. Membership of this club expecting 3-4 members in the next couple of months. The Kinsmen Club of Sarnia may be relocating as repairs to the current building are to be completed, more to come.

**Chatham Kinsmen:** they had a busy spring with Fireworks in May and July , they held Fair in June and a Beer For a Year Draw, all very Successful. They also cooked and supplied Chili for 300-500 people at the poor-boy luncheon. They are currently starting another Beer for a Year Draw. Membership- they have an increase of two, and another 2 members on the horizon.

**Blenheim Kinsmen:** a Strong and Mighty Club, small in size but boy these guys get things done!! No membership changes since June. Couple of prospects in the pipeline.

No projects since June.

We have the Santa Claus parade on Dec. 4 at 7 o'clock

Our 7th Annual Winter Get-away Elimination draw on Jan. 30, 2016,

Easter Egg Hunt

Fireworks - long weekend in May

Soccer BBQ in June

**Chatham Kinettes:** Going forward this club was going to fold however looking to rebuild the first meeting is scheduled for Nov 5 2015 with a possible 3 new members! Great Job...

**Tilbury Kinsmen:** Had a busy Summer , a couple of successful projects, They are to start their new kin year in November.

**Dover Kinsmen and Kinettes :** No communication received will be following up by phone calls.

**Wallaceburg Kinsmen:** No communication received will be following up by phone calls.

**Dresden Kinsmen:** What a busy Club, just finished Octoberfest, other projects completed since June have been KINFest, they also provide lunches on Fridays for \$6.50 !!!! A very busy Club. This Club has no change in membership , however they feel one new member by year end.

## Zone H

We have been busy down here in the Sun-parlour of District 1. I have been regularly updating my Zone posting on the District 1 website.

I have met with all our Clubs except for Harrow who don't seem to be able to return phone calls or e-mails. I was a bit worried that they still have not paid their District Dues and I have sent them reminders that they will be considered "Not in Good Standing" at FLC.

All Clubs have had their FLC voting proxies sent to them along with instructions on how to fill them out. I'm hoping that they got them in on time and in the proper format.

Windsor Club will be putting a bid in to host FLC 2016. They are also celebrating their 85th Anniversary in Kin in April and are working on a dinner party. They are continuing their annual Christmas Gift Baskets but focusing on homeless street youth this year.

Leamington Club had a successful Tomatofest to start off their year. They usually need this to get their service projects kick-started. The Town of Leamington has sold the naming rights to the former Leamington Kinsmen Arena. Unfortunately money talks so even though it was built by Kin it will be named after Heinz and Unico. The Kinsmen are keeping their name on the attached recreation complex.

LaSalle Kin Club held a successful Strawberryfest over the summer. They are a very active club with a large hidden pool of talent to draw from. This Club definitely punches above their weight when it comes to service projects. They lost their Clubhouse last year but are arranging a replacement at the Town's new Volmer Complex.

I haven't given up on Harrow and note that they have some upcoming events I may have to crash.

Yours in Kin,  
Andy Mantha

## **Zone J**

Walkerton Kinettes: At their first meeting had 3 prospective new members, all of which have joined as of the October meeting. They have interest from 3-4 other members. They are going to be organizing a new members come and go in the near future. Oct 24 they hosted yet another successful Home Shopping Day and have next years date booked. Nov 13 they are hosting a Charity hockey game for Cystic Fibrosis. The local junior c team will face off against a team of police, fire and paramedics. Their next project that they have discussed is raising money for the palliative care room at the Walkerton hospital. It needs a few upgrades and to make it a nicer room for the patient as well as the family to spend the last days of their loved ones life.

Dinner on Durham will be run again this year in July 2016

Walkerton Kinsmen: Ran a very successful Garage Tour in Walkerton and were able to complete their monetary obligation to their Splash Pad project. They have organized a social evening for the Kinettes and Kinsmen in November.

Chesley Kinsmen: They are looking ahead and getting ready for future events by setting up committees. They helped out at a dance for a local family whose husband/dad is in treatment for cancer. Their first event is the Dinner For Shut Ins at Christmas. They go around town and pick up elderly people and those who have no one and give them a nice holiday meal. Agrifair in the spring is a big event for the club. They are searching out some new ideas to increase the interest in the event again.

Chesley Kinettes: They have welcomed one new member with hope to see more come in throughout the year. Nov 14 is their annual Kinspiel. This event has been sold every year. Mother's day raffle draw - proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis. Look ahead for their annual trivia night in the spring

Saugeen Shores Kin: Over the summer they held another successful Touch A Truck event - they doubled their attendance this year. They participated in the FireFit BBQ sponsored by Bruce power at the Port Elgin Marina by feeding the competitor as well as spectators. The World Championships are going to be held in Port Elgin next year and have offered to do the BBQ for them. They are looking ahead to our Zone conference and are coming up with a fun event for us.

Hanover Kinsmen: They are not up too much as of yet. They are holding steady but have had little growth in the last few years.

Teeswater Kinsmen: They have grown by 2 new members this year so far. Once again they are running the Santa Claus parade Nov 28th and free skate at the arena. March 18th they will be holding their annual Steak Night.

Paisley Kinsmen: They lost a member Adam Sinclair to cancer thanksgiving Monday. They are now down to a group of 6. They hope to continue on with the Maple Syrup festival again this year in March at saugeen Bluffs.

Tara Kinettes: They hosted their first Evening with Pyschic Medium Kelly Elson, it was sold out. Nov 21 is their annual Home Party and Shopping Day at the community centre. This club welcomed a new Knette baby after 12 long weeks in hospital Becca & Craig welcomed Makenna into their lives Sept 18.

YIK

Elaine Johnston

Hello District 1

On behalf of the ***National Education and Training Committee***, we extend our warmest wishes for a wonderful KomicKin 2015 Fall Leadership Conference.

Knowing full well, that alongside of Networking and Fellowship, Awards recognition and a bit of business the main focus is **Education and Personal Development**.

We hope you have a magnificent experience with fellow Kin this weekend.

Thank you in advance to all the presenters/facilitators and St Thomas Kin for all you are doing for the betterment of Kin Canada and members this weekend!

Grow, **LEARN**, make Friends, have Fun!

Yours in Kin,

Terri Iredale

Chair ~ NETC



# **Kin Canada**

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Welcome Fellow Kin! It's FLC time!

And we all know what that means... the start of a new Kin year. A time to reconnect with friends, the opportunity to learn some new things, and get a fresh perspective on our upcoming Kin year. I find it's a great time to reflect on our successes from the previous year and get re-energized for the year ahead. And the best part of it is that we get to do that amongst our friends. Better yet, we get the chance to bring our excitement back into our Clubs and communities and start making a difference right way. From the educational sessions that your Governors have planned and your own discussions with your fellow Kinsmen and Kinettes, I'm sure that you're going to have some great tools and great ideas to bring back home to share.

Now that Kin Canada has our (and your!) Strategic Plan in place, and our new Executive Director, Grant Ferron, is in place directing Headquarters staff accordingly, Kin Canada is poised to be able to provide you with the Tools and the direction to succeed in your Club.

And to be able to do some pretty amazing things in your Community. As you can see, our Strategic Plan is focused on developing strong Clubs, strong Leaders, and a strong Association for you to support healthy, engaged and enriched Communities. Things really do start with you in your Club learning and developing skills, whether you know it or not. :)

And here you are! Fall Leadership Conference is definitely the right place for you this weekend!

I am so glad that you've made the choice to be here to share in the knowledge that resides within your fellow Kin. Have fun as you learn new things! And remember to share with your own Kin Family back home.

Thank you for being a part of our future!

Kim Peters  
National President

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***FROM THE DESK OF GRANT FERRON...***



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October 2015

Greetings and Welcome,

On behalf of the staff at Headquarters and myself, we are very pleased to see that you are participating in your District's Fall Leadership Conference. Good things happen any time you bring people together in both fellowship and learning.

Throughout the weekend you are going to have an opportunity to connect with more members of the Kin Family and hear about the wonderful and meaningful activities that go on in their own Clubs. You are also going to meet some generous people who will take the time to share some of their skills and expertise. And of course, you will get a chance to make new friends and share a laugh or two.

Many of you are aware that this gig is a fairly new one for me and my task from day one was to bring Kin Canada's National Strategic Directions to life. With just a few minor tweaks, the journey towards 2020 is already underway. You will hear more and more about the National Leadership Hub that essentially ensures more people are involved in shaping the operational activities of Kin Canada, while putting more emphasis on service and support to our 450+ Clubs. More people will be shown our appreciation and excellence will be acknowledged and celebrated throughout. Our people will have more opportunities to develop both personal and professional skills in such a way that Kin Canada will be the "go-to" organization in both need and contribution. We will be an "Association of Distinction" by what we do and how well we do it.

Of course this all starts with you and the journey is open to anyone who commits to the Kin Canada Mission, embraces the Vision and shares our Values.

The weekend is truly what you make of it. At the very least I hope you have fun and at the very best I hope you finish with a greater appreciation for the impact that you, your Club and your fellow Kin have on the lives of so many Canadians. It is truly awe-inspiring!

All the best...

Executive Director





# DISTRICT ONE FINANCIALS SUMMARY

	Kin Do Crew Actual 12/13	PofO Team Actual 13/14	GO Team Actuals 14/15
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
1 Advance from surplus to Vice for startup	\$ 5,000.00	#	\$ 5,000.00
2 Vice Governor transfer in		\$ 1,585.00	
3 Member Dues	\$ 47,424.00	\$ 50,319.06	\$ 49,245.30
4 House Rules	\$ 500.00	\$ 485.00	\$ 490.00
5 Convention assessment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,700.00	\$ 9,800.00
6 Kinship 1 and Web Ads	\$ 625.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00
7 Interest	\$ 648.43	\$ 632.97	\$ 1,084.37
8 Fines: Spring Convention	\$ 250.00	\$ 313.81	\$ 350.75
9 FLC	\$ 14.00		
10 Successful Kin Seminar		\$ 210.00	\$ 275.00
11 District Leadership Seminar - HQ Allotment etc	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
12 DLS Facilitator reimbursement from HQ			
13 Miscellaneous			
14 From Surplus - Unpaid Governors to Nat'l			\$ 1,400.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 66,461.43</b>	<b>\$ 65,620.84</b>	<b>\$ 70,020.42</b>

## DISBURSEMENTS:

### District 1 Operations

1 DLS / Preterm Meeting			
2 Successful Kin Seminar / Sept Council			
3 January Midterm Meeting		\$ 1,830.58	
	DLS	\$ 3,108.07	\$ 3,253.96
	Preterm		\$ 450.00
	Leadership S. Seminar		\$ 1,650.00
	September Council		\$ 235.00
	Executive Expenses	\$ 3,195.89	\$ 1,783.71
4 House Rules	\$ 262.75	\$ 278.75	\$ 565.00
5 District Planner	\$ 303.13	\$ 422.91	\$ 390.75
6 Zone Conference entry fees	\$ 15.00	\$ 93.12	\$ 65.00
7 Membership Programmes	\$ 1,633.83		\$ 1,508.46
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,518.67</b>	<b>\$ 6,564.32</b>	<b>\$ 9,326.39</b>

### Allotments / Assessments / Honorariums

1 Convention Assessments	\$ 10,050.00	\$ 9,750.00	\$ 9,800.00
2 Vice Governor Team Allotment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,330.30	\$ 3,000.00
3 Deputy Governor Allotment	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 3,700.00
4 Governors Honorarium	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 1,172.08
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,930.30</b>	<b>\$ 17,672.08</b>

### Mileage

1	Mileage Executive	\$ 5,620.89	\$ 2,951.11	\$ 3,554.05
2	Mileage Deputy Governors	\$ 1,508.92	\$ 4,213.48	\$ 5,995.53
3	Mileage DMD for Membership Only	\$ 947.20	\$ 859.00	\$ 882.08
4	Mileage Governors / Exec Travels ie ZC's		\$ 2,418.40	\$ 1,883.12
5	National President Tour	\$ 250.00		\$ 170.50
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,327.01</b>	<b>\$ 10,441.99</b>	<b>\$ 12,485.28</b>

#### **Conventions - Operations only**

1	FLC	\$ 7,963.55	\$ 6,971.44	\$ 6,957.28
2	Spring Convention	\$ 11,006.06	\$ 6,471.43	\$ 7,695.64
3	National Conventions - Outgoing Governors			\$ 3,006.48
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,969.61</b>	<b>\$ 13,442.87</b>	<b>\$ 17,659.40</b>

#### **Kinship One / Communications**

1	Publications	\$ 581.27	\$ 390.98	\$ 430.53
2	Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 194.36	\$ 660.03
3	Website Host	\$ 122.40	\$ 146.90	\$ 158.20
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 803.67</b>	<b>\$ 732.24</b>	<b>\$ 1,248.76</b>

#### **General Administration**

1	Stationary/Secretary	\$ 303.91	\$ 195.01	\$ 237.82
2	District Laptop Purchase		\$ 858.34	
3	Video Conference			
4	Postage	\$ 596.84	\$ 421.84	\$ 142.17
5	Telephone			\$ 9.20
6	Kin Sales/Tributes/Pins	\$ 1,693.30	\$ 725.40	\$ 897.32
7	Dist. Council Shirts/Badges	\$ 739.83	\$ 212.44	\$ 1,280.56
8	Awards	\$ 1,069.83	\$ 734.51	\$ 697.20
9	Professional financial fee			\$ 75.00
10	Return of Advance to Surplus	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
11	Fines: NVP Fund	\$ 250.00	\$ 273.31	\$ 300.75
12	Fines: other			\$ 50.00
13	Charter Fund	\$ 544.00		\$ 912.60
14	Misc. Expenses			
15	Service / Bank charges	\$ 0.20	\$ 15.20	\$ 2.60
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,197.91</b>	<b>\$ 8,436.05</b>	<b>\$ 9,605.22</b>

<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	<b>\$ 64,566.87</b>	<b>\$ 57,547.77</b>	<b>\$ 67,997.13</b>
<b>TOTAL PROFIT / LOSS (Profit to Operating Surplus):</b>	<b>\$ 1,894.56</b>	<b>\$ 8,073.07</b>	<b>\$ 2,023.29</b>

#### **SURPLUS / TRUST ACCOUNTS:**

<b><u>Operating Surplus</u></b>			
Open Balance	\$ 42,098.46	\$ 41,165.31	\$ 49,829.00
Ins. Premiums	\$ (1,782.91)		
Advance to Incoming Team	\$ (5,000.00)		\$ (5,000.00)
Return of Advance	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00

Surplus to fund 2 Gov's to National	\$ (1,044.80)		\$ (1,400.00)
2011-2012 Budget Surplus			
2011-2012 Convention Surplus			
2014-2015 Budget Surplus			
2013-2014 Miscellaneous		\$ 590.62	
2013-2014 Budget Surplus		\$ 8,073.07	
2012-2013 Budget Surplus	\$ 1,894.56		
<b>Year End Balance</b>	<b>\$ 41,165.31</b>	<b>\$ 49,829.00</b>	<b>\$ 48,429.00</b>

#### **Membership Expansion Fund**

Open Balance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Expenses			
<b>Close Balance</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>

#### **Charter Expansion Fund**

Open Balance	\$ 3,907.00	\$ 3,951.00	\$ 4,689.17
Delhi Kinette Charter to Kinsmen	\$ (500.00)		
Woolwich Kin 2011-2012			
Miscellaneous 2013-2014		\$ 738.17	
Flesherton Kinettes 2014-2015			\$ 421.20
St. Thomas Kinettes 2014-2015			\$ 491.40
Saugeen Shores Kin Dues (022614) 2014-2015			
Drayton Kinette Dues (042414)			
Fonthill Kinette Dues (092414)			
Centre Wellington dues	\$ 544.00		
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>\$ 3,951.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,689.17</b>	<b>\$ 5,601.77</b>

#### **NVP Trust Fund**

Open Balance	\$ 2,230.44	\$ 2,480.44	\$ 2,753.75
Fines	\$ 250.00	\$ 273.31	\$ 300.75
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,480.44</b>	<b>\$ 2,753.75</b>	<b>\$ 3,054.50</b>

#### **SURPLUS / TRUST ACCOUNTS SUMMARY**

Operating Surplus Funds	\$ 42,098.46	\$ 49,829.00	\$ 48,429.00
Membership Funds	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Charter Funds	\$ 3,951.00	\$ 4,689.17	\$ 5,601.77
NVP trust Fund	\$ 2,480.44	\$ 2,753.75	\$ 3,054.50
<b>Total Turnover</b>	<b>\$ 53,529.90</b>	<b>\$ 62,271.92</b>	<b>\$ 62,085.27</b>

<b>NET TURNOVER:</b>	<b>\$ 55,424.46</b>	<b>\$ 70,344.99</b>	<b>\$ 64,108.56</b>
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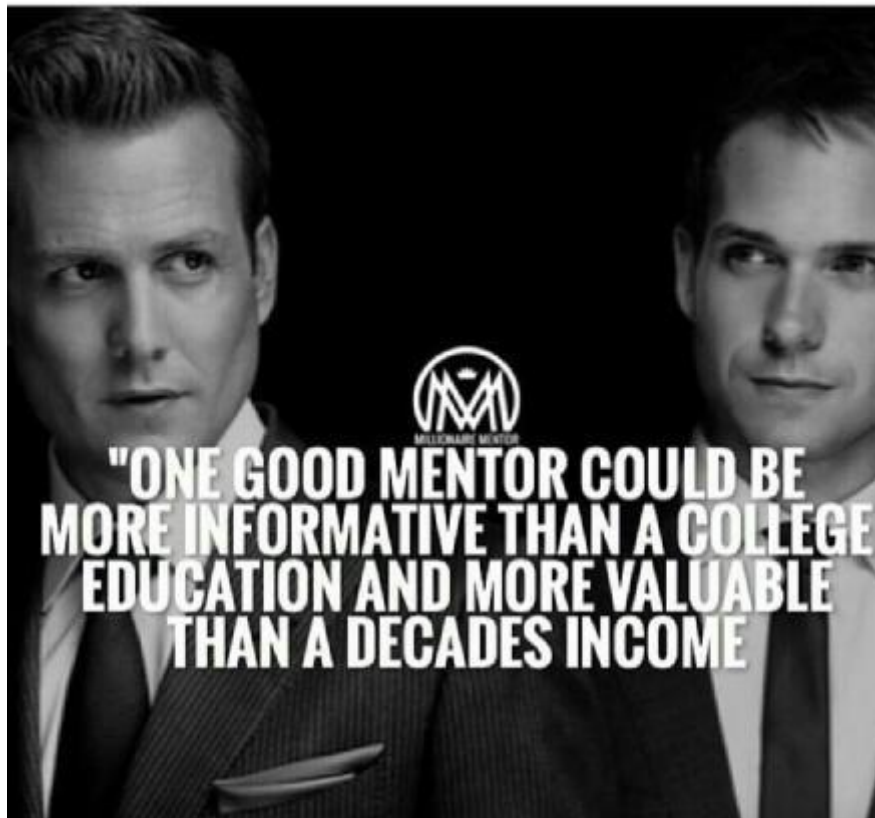
Start up Funds chq at Spring Convention	\$ 5,000.00
July 27th Chq	\$ 52,000.00
<b>Outstanding:</b>	<b>\$ 7,108.56</b>
2014-15 Operating Surplus per financials	\$ 2,023.29
<b>Total bank balance to be forwarded</b>	<b>\$ 9,131.85</b>

**SPRING CONVENTION 2015 BUDGET TO COUNCIL****Actual****INCOME**

Registration	1	120	\$	160.00	\$	19,200.00	\$	15,015.00
Rooms	2	70	\$	120.00	\$	16,800.00	\$	-
Hospitality Suite	2	1	\$	750.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	500.00
Club Advances	1	99	\$	50.00	\$	4,950.00	\$	4,900.00
				Total Credits:	\$	42,450.00	\$	20,415.00

**EXPENSES**

Meals & Meeting Rooms	1	120	\$	148.00	\$	17,760.00	\$	14,375.78
Rooms	2	70	\$	120.00	\$	16,800.00	\$	-
Hospitality Suite	2	1	\$	500.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	-
AV Equipment / Technician	1	1	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	129.95
Hospitality Entertainment	1	1	\$	400.00	\$	400.00	\$	67.63
Adv, Promo, Cost, BB's	1	1	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	499.98
Club Advances	1	99	\$	50.00	\$	4,950.00	\$	2,000.00
				Total Expenses:	\$	42,410.00	\$	17,073.34
				Net Profit / Loss	\$	40.00	\$	3,341.66





## National Operations Update

### Fall Leadership Conferences 2015



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This is a brief summary of recent National developments, blending some information from National Convention with more recent updates.

#### National Convention

Back to the Future in Brandon, MB was a huge success! Congratulations and thank you to the Kinsmen and Kinette Clubs of Brandon for being such amazing hosts and showing us a truly great time. We made an impact in the community on Thursday with our first Service and Fellowship day. Delegates went out into the community and volunteered with various organizations for the morning. Everyone was treated to a free BBQ for lunch with live music and a show and shine to top off the day. Thursday Night we enjoyed a great evening with A Taste of Manitoba. Friday was our Educational Day with full day of breakout sessions and in the evening was our popular Founders Member Public Speaking Competition. Congratulations to all participants. Saturday was our AGM and the President's Gala wrapped up our time in Convention. For full K invention coverage and photos, see the Fall edition of KIN Magazine.

#### National Budget

The 2015/16 budget approved by members at Convention was very close to the draft proposed last spring, once year end actuals were taken into account. Delegates approved Dues of \$132.37 and an Insurance assessment of \$32.72, or \$165.09 combined – an increase of \$.75 from last year.

#### Personal Accident Benefits Insurance

Melanie has negotiated with our brokers to make personal accident insurance available for members and volunteers at even lower rates. Member and volunteer insurance is just \$1.40 per member. Volunteer insurance was reduced by \$0.60 per member. Sign up forms will be in your national dues and insurance mailing. This mailing will be in your mailboxes by the middle of October. The form plus payment must be received at HQ by November 20<sup>th</sup>. Anything that is received after that date unfortunately is not eligible.

#### Membership

We finished June 30<sup>th</sup> 6505 members a decrease of 220 members from the prior year. Last year clubs brought in over 1000 new members across Canada. Congratulations to District 4 for a year of positive membership growth.

#### Kin Sales

We continue to have a positive response from clubs and members on our Kin Store. Watch in the October club mailing for the first of seasonal clothing promotions. Staff continue to work with suppliers to continuously improve service, quality and pricing from your official Kin Canada supply source. Don't forget that you have the ability to place your order directly online. Go to our national website and you will see the Kin Store on the top left corner or contact Bas Zak at Kin HQ at ext. 209 or by email [bzak@kincanada.ca](mailto:bzak@kincanada.ca). All profits from Kin Sales go directly to reduce your dues. Last year the net profit helped reduced membership dues by \$2.85 per member. Imagine the possibilities if we could get more clubs and members to support Kin Sales!

#### National Committees

Below is an overview of each of our national committees. There have been some changes to some of their mandates. Thank you to all our committee members who are working so hard in these committees. Your dedication is greatly appreciated!

**Club Support Committee** formerly known as the Membership Committee. This Committee will focus on developing resources that help contribute to a positive “Club Life” experience and improve member engagement and satisfaction.

**Service Committee** will identify and explore new and bold opportunities for Kin Canada to have meaningful impact nation-wide while continuing to fostering our relationship and support of Cystic Fibrosis Canada.

**Marketing and Membership Development Committee** will focus on developing resources and activities related to promoting Kin Club membership as well new Charters. This is a brand new committee. Call for members will happening in October 2015. This committee will be a skilled based committee.

**Awards and Recognition Committee** will ensure Kin Canada provides a meaningful method of recognition to distinguish those members who reflect excellence in their contribution to Kin-life. In addition the committee will ensure Clubs, Zones and Districts are recognized for meeting and exceeding the expectations of Association. The committee is tasked with ensuring Kin Awards reflect the highest of ideals in individuals and in the operation of Clubs, Zones and Districts.

**Education and Training Committee** the Goal of this Committee is twofold. First, this committee is to ensure Kin Canada’s training and education programs contribute to the development of its members in such a way that their lives are positively impacted both internally and externally to Kin. The second goal is to prepare members to fulfill leadership roles within their Clubs, Zone, District and National level.

### **Canadian Blood Services: Developing Partnership**

Kin Canada has a goal of having 500 blood donations in this Kin year! If you want to know how you can help to make this a reality contact Lisa Thompson at HQ [lthompson@kincanada.ca](mailto:lthompson@kincanada.ca) or ext. 215. Thank you to our Chair and District Champions for helping to develop this program across the country. Consider what your club can do to help. What a great way to give back to your community and connecting with people in your community

### **National Day of KINDness**

Mark your calendar National Day of KINDness. Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup>! What a great way to celebrate Founders Day and Hal’s legacy. This is a fun, simple and inexpensive way to showcase your club and make a difference at the same time. The kit request form will be available soon. Clubs must order a kit (at no cost), to receive one. Last year we had 141 clubs participate. We are looking to see this number grow.

### **Vice Governor Training**

A very successful weekend of vice governor training was completed in late September. National. Education and Training Committee chair Terri Iredale, committee resource Kin Jeff Ainslie and ED Grant facilitated and this year we had all committee chairs participated either in person or conference call during the one morning. A lot of open discussion, information and ideas were shared, with all vice governors engaged and passionate about Kin Canada’s status and future. Together, they form a strong upcoming group who should accomplish great things. Many thanks to all who attended.

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# MILK - f o r - BRITAIN

## We need your club's support to tell the story!

The year was 1941 and an urgent transatlantic radio broadcast from British Minister of Food Lord Woolton directed the following question to millions of listeners in Canada and the United States:

**"Won't you people in America do without cream in your coffee just one day a week so that little children in Britain can have milk?"**

Lord Woolton's appeal was later reinforced when Sir Winston Churchill was widely quoted as saying, "We must put milk into our children!"

A long forgotten but fascinating piece of Canada's World War II history is about to take its rightful place at centre stage.

The full story of "Milk for Britain" has never been revealed. In fact, it is a forgotten wartime tale both in Canada and in Britain, lost in the passage of time. However, it is a remarkable tale of how a small group of Canadian service club members rallied millions of men, women and children across Canada to help thwart Hitler's plan to malnourish Britain's children.

## National Documentary Project Overview

Learnography (formerly Curriculum Services Canada) has accepted the opportunity to produce a 10-minute documentary and accompanying study guide to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Milk for Britain Campaign. We need to raise \$50,000 for the total cost to complete this project. Learnography brings an educator's perspective to the project along with their 'Seal of Approval' for teacher's to use in the Canadian Curriculum of Studies.

The final documentary would be completed by August 2016 and made available just in time for the new 2016 school year. This documentary will be closed captioned and in compliance with AODA accessibility regulations.

Kin Canada would have exclusive rights to the documentary and study guide and it would become available for all clubs to use as an educational training tool. This documentary would become a public document for global historical reference.

### "How can our club help?"

Please find attached a pledge form if your club would like to support and be a part of this historical film. ALL clubs contributing, no matter how large or small the pledge, will be included in the credits of this film.

**Club pledges must be received no later than November 15th.**

If we are able to raise the money needed to share this story, HQ would notify your club.

We would need to receive all pledged amounts no later than December 15th in order to meet targetted completion dates.

For more information or if you have any questions please contact Nadyne at [nesson@kincanada.ca](mailto:nesson@kincanada.ca)



## **Spring Convention 2015 'Bridging the Gap' Minutes**

### **Saturday, May 2, 2015**

**CREDENTIALS OPEN** - 7:00 am

**CALL TO ORDER** – Governors Joanne & Marty called the meeting to order at 8:10 am

**O CANADA** – DG Debbie Ruffley

**KIN SONG** – LM DG Bob Fairhurst

**MOMENT OF SILENCE** for those who have passed before us, both in our own families and in our Kin family.

**ADDRESS TO THE CHAIR:** Governors Jo & Marty, guests and fellow Kin, Welcome to Spring Convention 2015

**WELCOME** to the District One Annual Meeting “Bridging the Gap”, your District Convention for 2015 by Governors Joanne and Marty

- thank you to all for being here this weekend
- thank you to the members of Zone G who have worked very hard to ensure that we will have a great weekend
- a ‘green’ approach has been taken with the convention brochure - as many reports as possible were posted on the District 1 website
- if you would like to address the meeting, please approach the nearest microphone and clearly state your name and home club. Also please do so when you are moving, seconding or speaking to a motion. When speaking to any resolutions or motions we will entertain 3 speakers for and 3 speakers against at which point we will call for the question. Should you choose to speak for or against a motion once you have done so we will consider you to have had your voice heard and therefore you will be precluded from speaking again which will also allow others to speak

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

### *Special Guests*

- National Director – Colleen Wake - Colleen will also be the Rules of Order Chair
- National Membership Liaison Officer: Corie Ruzicka-Olson
- National Kin/Cystic Fibrosis Liaison - Davina Thuroo
- Community Engagement Director of CF Canada - Alice Alweeh

### *District Executive*

- District Coordinator/Risk Manager – Past Governor Melissa Whetham
- District Membership Director – Shane Walsh
- District Service/CF Directors – Tiffany Allan and Dan Strugar
- Not here today we recognize Communications/ Past Governor/Awards– Terri Iredale
- Webmaster - Russ Jackman
- District Treasurer – LM Cheryl Bridges



- Awards - Wendy Rolfe
- Secretary - Sharon Champ
- Vice Governors - Katie McKean and Curtis Thoms

#### *Deputy Governors*

- Zone A Deputy Governors – Jenn Sollows and Derek Ciuciura
- Zone B Deputy Governors - Lisa Orth and Fred Mollison
- Zone C Deputy Governors – Debbie Hodgkinson and Katie McKean
- Zone D Deputy Governor – Debbie Ruffley
- Zone F Deputy Governors – Karen Coutts and Darryl Van Moorsel
- Zone G Deputy Governor – Dustyn Pumfrey
- Zone H Deputy Governor – Bob Fairhurst
- Zone J Deputy Governors – Elaine Johnson and Mike Walsh
- Zone K Deputy Governors – Betty Kelly and Darren Brunje

#### *Others*

- All Past Governors and District Coordinators
- All Past National Presidents
- All Past National Officers
- All Past Zone and District Officers
- All Life Members
- All New Members
- All Spring Convention First Timers
- Randy Samms and Dustyn Pumfrey, our Spring Convention Chairpersons

We would personally like to welcome to District 1, Eric Hancock. Eric has joined us from District 4 and is now a member of the Wallaceburg Kinsmen Club

**KIN CLUB OF HEAVEN** - Thanks to LM District CF/Service Director Dan Strugar for preparing this presentation

#### **WELCOME FROM HOST COMMITTEE**

- Alcohol is not to be brought into this room
- Alcohol bought in this room is not to be taken out

**SERGEANT AT ARMS** will be Bruce Moulton and Tim Natchuk

#### **FINE SESSION**

##### **RESOLUTION – FINES SESSION**

Moved by: Melissa Penner Club: Palmerston Kinettes

Seconded by: Russ Jackman Club: St. Thomas Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the fines session be opened.

*Carried*

The fine session is now open

## **APPOINTMENTS**

- Rules of Order Chair – National Director Colleen Wake from the Kinette Club of London
- Credentials Chair – Deputy Governor Karen Coutts of the Elgin-St. Thomas Kinettes

### **RESOLUTION – RULES OF ORDER & CREDENTIALS**

Moved by: Hank Vanderlinde Club: St. Thomas Kinsmen

Second by: Austin Gooder Club: Fort Erie Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the Rules of Order and Credentials Chair reports be adopted as printed in the Convention Brochure.

*Carried*

## **SCRUTINEERS CHAIR:** Kinettes DG Karen Coutts of the Elgin-St. Thomas Kinettes

**Scrutineers Report** – As printed in the brochure and submitted by Scrutineer Committee Chair, Karen Coutts added that should there be an occasion for voting by ballot or any other means requiring a detailed count at the Spring Convention, the members of the scrutineers committee shall be the chair, four appointed Deputy Governors to assist, and a representative from each party involved in the vote if needed.

**Appointment of Scrutineers** by Karen Coutts: DGs Bob Fairhurst, Betty Kelly, Dustyn Pumphrey, Darryl VanMoorsel

## **CREDENTIALS REPORT** – DG Karen Coutts

### **For a Show-of-Hands Vote**

Number of Kinsmen Clubs: 28

Number of Kinette Clubs: 20

Number of Kin Clubs: 1

Total Number of Clubs: 49

50% + 1 for a simple majority for a Show of Hands vote: 26

2/3 majority: 33

### **Delegate Votes for a Poll or Ballot Vote**

Number of Kinsmen: 524

Number of Kinettes: 328

Number of Kin: 26

Total Voting Strength = 878

50% + 1 = 440

2/3 majority = 586

### **RESOLUTION - CREDENTIALS**

Moved by: Monika McKean    Club: Collingwood Kinettes

Seconded by: Elise Stark    Club: London Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the Credentials Report for District 1 Convention 2015 be accepted as presented.

*Carried*

## **FIRST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

### **RESOLUTION – OPEN NOMINATIONS**

Moved by: Bill Harris    Club: Cayuga Kinsmen

Seconded by: Tracy Spalding    Club: Grimsby Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the nominations be opened.

*Carried*

#### ***National Director 2015-2018***

We have received nomination papers filed for the position of National Director 2015-2018 in the name of Brenda Dineen from the Palmerston Kinettes.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

#### ***Vice Governors 2015-2016***

We have nomination papers filed for the position of Vice Governor 2015-2016 in the name of Monika McKean from the Collingwood Kinettes, and Bill Harris from the Kinsmen Club of Cayuga.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

#### ***District Convention Host 2016***

At this time, we have received nomination papers for the Host Club of District Convention for 2016 from The Fort Erie Kinsmen, from the Palmerton Kinette Club and from Cambridge North Dumfries Kinsmen Club.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

#### ***District Perc Dawson 2015-2016***

At this time, we have not received any nomination papers for the Host Club of the District Perc Dawson Tournament for 2016.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

There will be two further calls for nominations throughout the day.

## **FLC 2014 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND MINUTES**

### **FLC 2014 Financial Statement**

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION – Windsor Kin Club (as circulated)**

RESOLVED THAT the FLC 2014 Financial Statement be approved.

Bob Fairhurst from the Windsor Kin Club presented the Financial Report for Fall Leadership Conference 2014.

There is a change – 99 not 98 clubs paid their allotment of \$50 – see revised statement at end of minutes

**RESOLUTION – amendment**

Moved by: Debbie Ruffley, Fort Erie Kinettes

Seconded by: Dave VanBeers, Goderich Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the FLC Financial Report be amended to reflect that 99 – not 98 – Clubs paid their allotment of \$50.00 each.

*Carried*

**RESOLUTION – as amended**

Moved by: Karen Coutts, Elgin-St. Thomas Kinettes

Seconded by: Matt Sharpe, St. Thomas Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the 2014 Fall Leadership Conference Financial Statement be accepted as amended.

*Carried*

**FLC 2014 MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION – FLC 2014 MINUTES**

Moved by Paul Schnarr Club: Listowel

Seconded by Darryl Van Moorsel Club:

RESOLVED THAT the FLC 2014 Minutes be approved as printed in the District Convention 2015 brochure.

Rules of Order Chair Colleen Wake ruled that the motion to donate \$10000 to the 19<sup>th</sup> Parallel Fund was out of order. The motion has been overturned.

**RESOLUTION - amendment**

Moved by: Stuart Ruffley, Fort Erie Kinsmen

Seconded by: Tina Glanville, Palmerston Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the 2014 FLC minutes be amended to reflect Burlington Kinsmen as the Club of Tanya Bettridge.

*Carried*

**RESOLUTION – as amended**

Moved by: Brenda Dineen of Palmerston Kinettes

Seconded by: Lisa Orth, AD for the Belgrave Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the 2014 FLC Minutes be approved as amended.

*Carried*

**NATIONAL BOARD PRESENTATION – Colleen Wake**

- video by National President Ron Hanishewsky was shown
- discussion in small groups and members provided feedback about district and club standards

**NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP LIAISON OFFICER** - Corie Ruzicka-Olson spoke about membership

**DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP PRESENTATION** – video prepared and shown by Shane Walsh

**NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATE PRESENTATION** - James Doer Video Presentation

## **SECOND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

### ***National Director 2015-2018***

We have received nomination papers filed for the position of National Director 2015-2018 in the name of Brenda Dineen from the Palmerston Kinettes.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

### ***Vice Governors 2015-2016***

We have nomination papers filed for the position of Vice Governor 2015-2016 in the name of Monika McKean from the Collingwood Kinettes, and Bill Harris from the Kinsmen Club of Cayuga.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

### ***District Convention Host 2016***

At this time, we have received nomination papers for the Host Club of District Convention for 2016 from The Fort Erie Kinsmen, from the Palmerton Kinette Club and from Cambridge North Dumfries Kinsmen Club.

*No other nominations received at this time.*

### ***District Perc Dawson 2015-2016***

Lorrie Racine of the Windsor Kin Club nominated the Windsor Kin Club

*There will be one more call for nominations throughout the day.*

## **VICE GOVERNOR TEAM PRESENTATION**

### **2015-2016 Proposed Cystic Fibrosis/Service Budget**

#### **RESOLUTION – 2015-2016 CYSTIC FIBROSIS/SERVICE BUDGET**

Moved By: Debbie Ruffley Club: Fort Erie Kinettes

Seconded By: Tracy Spalding Club: Grimsby Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the 2015-2016 Cystic Fibrosis/Service budget be approved as circulated.

*Carried*

**2015-2016 Proposed District Budget** - presented by incoming Treasurer Monika McKean

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

Moved by Monika McKean

Vice Governors' Team

Seconded by: Karen Coutts

Club: Elgin-St. Thomas

RESOLVED THAT in order to ensure that all Incoming Governors have the opportunity to meet, network, learn and start their year in office on the same footing, District One will, effective the 2015-2016 year, send their Incoming Governors to National Convention as the two delegates paid for by National.

*Intent: To ensure that both governors on any given team are able to attend at minimum, their incoming National Convention and their attendance will not be reliant on the annual passing of funds in the District Budget.*

**RESOLUTION - amendment**

Moved by: Tanya Bettridge Club: Burlington Kinsmen

Seconded by: Katie McKean Club: Collingwood Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT District 1 will, effective the 2015-2016 year, send all Governors, incoming and outgoing, up to four people, to National Convention with two delegates paid for by National and two by District.

*Carried*

**RESOLUTION – as amended**

Moved by Monika McKean

Vice Governors' Team

Seconded by Tanya Bettridge

Club: Burlington Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the Notice of Motion be approved, as amended, to reflect that in order to ensure that all Governors have the opportunity to meet, network, learn and start and end their year in office on the same footing, starting 2015-2016, all incoming and outgoing Governors, to a maximum of four people, will be sent to National Convention each year; two to be paid by National, two to be paid by District 1.

*Carried*

**RESOLUTION - dues**

Moved By: Monika McKean

Vice Governors' Team

Seconded By: Tanya Bettridge

Club: Burlington Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT District 1 dues be increased by \$3.85 in order to cover all incoming/outgoing Governors to go to National Convention 2015, and that the 2015-2016 District 1 Budget be approved.

**RESOLUTION - Amendment**

Moved By: Tanya Bettridge

Club: Burlington Kinsmen

Seconded By: Jay Vaughan

Club: Tilbury Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT up to \$5000 be used from Surplus, for this year only, so there will not need to be a dues increase.

*Carried*

**RESOLUTION – as amended**

Moved By: Monika McKean

Vice Governors' Team

Seconded By: Tanya Bettridge

Club: Burlington Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT up to \$5000 from Surplus be used in order to cover all incoming/outgoing Governors to go to National Convention 2015, and that the 2015-2016 District 1 Budget be approved.

*Carried*

**Vice Governors** Katie and Curtis expressed their thanks and offered to help as much as they can – see Successful Kin Seminar sheets on your tables – concern by Doug Freeland regarding signing authority due to family residing in the same household - Katie, Curtis and Monika are signing authorities and will make sure that Monika and Katie will not sign personal cheques together

**KIN GRACE:** Shawn Holroyd

**CYSTIC FIBROSIS AND HREF** donations received – Tiffany and Dan can provide details if desired

**THIRD AND FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS*****National Director 2015-2018***

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*No other nominations received at this time.*

***District Perc Dawson 2015-2016***

At this time we have received a nomination in the name of the Windsor Kin Club

Tiffany Allan nominated the Preston Kinettes and Preston Cambridge Kinsmen as joint hosts.

**RESOLUTION - Close Nominations**

Moved by: Glen Dobben

Club: Drayton Kinsmen

Seconded by: Eileen George

Club: Fort Erie Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the nominations be closed.

*Carried*

## **CYSTIC FIBROSIS AND SERVICE 2013-2014 FINANCIALS** by Katie McKean and Bill Harris

Total was \$344 993.00

### **RESOLUTION**

Motion to accept the Moved By: Bill Harris

Seconded By: Karen Coutts Club: Elgin-St. Thomas Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the 2013-2014 Cystic Fibrosis and Service financials, as presented in the Spring Convention 2015 brochure, be approved.

*Carried*

## **ELECTION PRESENTATIONS**

**National Director Candidate Presentation** - introduction by Debbie Ruffley

- candidate Brenda Dineen thanked everyone for their overwhelming support and stated that she will do her best for the members and the association

### **VG Candidate Presentations**

- Monika McKean and Bill Harris introduced their proposed team: Dustyn Pumpfrey and Katie McKean as Cystic Fibrosis/Service Directors, Eileen George as Secretary, Karen Coutts as Membership Director, Curtis Thoms as Awards Chair and Risk Manager, Russ Jackman as Photographer and Webmaster, Terri Iredale as Communications Director, Barb McArthur as Treasurer

### **Spring Convention 2016 Bids Presentations**

- Cambridge North Dumfries – Star Wars theme – May 13 - 15
- Palmerston Kinettes – Disney theme – May 6 - 8
- Fort Erie Kinsmen – 80s TV shows theme – April 28 – May 1

### **Perc Dawson Golf Tournament Presentations**

- Windsor Kin Club - simulator golf – not weather dependent
- Preston Kinettes/Preston Cambridge Kinsmen – lots of courses to choose from - 14+

## **ELECTIONS** (room was sealed) Scrutineer Chair DG Karen Coutts

**Roll Call** by Karen Coutts

### **Election of National Director 2015-2018**

One ballot was cast in the name of Brenda Dineen as the District 1 candidate for the position of National Director 2015-2018.

### **Election of Vice Governors 2015-2016**

One ballot was cast in the names of Monika McKean and Bill Harris for the position of Vice Governors 2015-2016

### **Election of Spring Convention Hosts 2016**

Directions for voting by Scrutineer Chair DG Karen Coutts

The host club for District Convention 2016 is Fort Erie Kinsmen.



### **Election of 2015-2016 Perc Dawson Hosts**

Directions for voting by Scrutineer Chair DG Karen Coutts

The host club for the Perc Dawson Golf Tournament 2015 is Preston Kinettes/Preston Cambridge Kinsmen.

### **RESOLUTION – destroy ballots**

Moved By: Darren Brunjes

Club: Clinton Kinsmen

Seconded By: Dave Van Beers

Club: Goderich Kinsmen

RESOLVED THAT the ballots be destroyed.

*Carried*

### **FLC 2015 PRESENTATION** by Shawn Holroyd and Russ Jackman from St. Thomas Kinsmen

- Komikin – Nov. 6 and 7, 2015
- Stoneridge Inn and Conference Centre

### **OLD BUSINESS:** none

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **RESOLUTION – 49<sup>th</sup> Parallel Fund**

Moved By: Curtis Thoms

Club: Cambridge North Dumfries

Seconded: Monika McKean

Club: Collingwood Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT District 1 will donate \$10 000.00 from the Surplus Fund to the 49<sup>th</sup> Parallel Fund.

*Defeated*

***NOTE from the floor – It wasn't the cause, it was the source of the funding that led to the defeat of the motion***

### **NATIONAL CONVENTION PRESENTATION** – Brandon Kin Video

### **NATIONAL BUDGET PRESENTATION** by Colleen Wake

- \$164.90/member for National dues

### **FINES SESSION**

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved By: Darryl Van Moorsel

Club: Dorchester Kinsmen

Seconded By: Katie McKean

Club: Collingwood Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the fines session be closed.

*Carried*

### **DEPUTY GOVERNOR PIN EXCHANGE**

## **GOVERNOR/VICE GOVERNOR PIN EXCHANGE**

**SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT:** \$300.30 Fines pot goes to the National Vice President Fund as stated in the House Rules

**DISTRICT COORDINATOR INSTRUCTIONS** – Melissa Whetham

**GOOD OF KIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **RESOLUTION**

Moved By: Curtis Thoms

Club: Cambridge North Dumfries

Seconded By: Kathy Manners

Club: Grimsby Kinettes

RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned.

*Carried*

## **Boots and Saddles 2014 Fall Leadership Conference**

Nov. 7/9 2014

### **Final Statement of Revenue and Expense**

Revenue	Registrations	9991.00
	Allotment 99 x 50	4950.00
	Total	14941.00
Expenses	Holiday Inn	9203.21
	Club Rebate Returned	1950.00
	Entertainment	300.00
	Boodle Bags	200.00
	Decorations	300.00
	Long Distance Charges	72.90
	Printing	400.02
	Total	12426.13
Net Revenue		2514.87

Prepared by Bob Fairhurst

(Revisions to amend by Sharon Champ – D1 Secretary)