

Welcome to..
Spring Convention
2026



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TOGA, TOGA, TOGA!



Kin Canada

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District 1

Fellow Kin,

Welcome to Greek Gods Convention 2026, We would like to thank the fantastic Kinsmen club of Tilbury for hosting this event. This year has had many ups and downs but we are happy to report that District one is still running strong and we need to keep working on it.

This weekend we celebrate the accomplishments of the members of District one. We are thankful to all who were able to attend to celebrate with the Kin Driven 106 team.

Thank you to all of our council members for all of their hard work this year. We couldn't be prouder of all of you!

Congratulations to our Vice Governors Matt and Martina who will be stepping into the Governor role soon, and our incoming Vice Governors Eileen and Frank.

Please enjoy this weekend and hopefully you will grow, learn and have fun!

Thank you District one for your support and attention this Kin year we really appreciate all of you!

Yours in Kin,

Governors Tracy and Dave.



National President's Greetings Kin Canada District Conventions

Fellow Kin:

As you gather for your District Convention, I extend my sincere greetings on behalf of the National Board of Directors and our entire Association. This annual meeting stands as one of the most important traditions in our Kin Year, a time when we come together to reflect on our progress, strengthen our governance, and reaffirm our shared commitment to service.

Throughout the year, I have witnessed the dedication and professionalism of our members across our country. Every visit, every greeting, every conversation has reminded me of something powerful, Kin Canada is built on heart. It is built on members who show up for their communities, who lift each other up, who believe in service.

Not because it is easy but because it matters. I have seen clubs rally around families in need, support young people with dreams, and bring hope to neighbors facing hardship, I have seen laughter, teamwork, and friendships that span decades. I have seen new members step forward with fresh ideas and longtime members continue to lead with wisdom and generosity. These moments will stay with me. They are the true measure of our success. The success of this year is a reflection of your hard work.

To your District Governors and their teams, thank you for the countless hours you give to support your members. Your guidance, stewardship and support of clubs have been essential to ensuring a strong and vibrant Kin Canada. Your leadership creates an environment where these stories can happen. District Convention is your chance to celebrate all of this. To reconnect, to share what inspired you this year. To honor the people who made a difference, and to remind yourselves why you chose to be part of this remarkable association.

As you participate in the business of District Convention, I encourage you to approach each discussion with respect, clarity and a shared sense of responsibility for our future. Involve yourself in conversations. Share your stories and challenge ideas. Welcome new opinions, and celebrate the wins, big and small. This is your moment to reconnect with what makes Kin Canada extraordinary. The decisions made at these conventions shape the direction of our Association and strengthen the foundation upon which future generations of Kin will build. Thank you for your continued service and for the meaningful impact you make every day. I hope this convention fills you with pride, gratitude, and a renewed purpose. You deserve that and so do the communities you serve.

With Admiration and Respect,

P.R Bowers

National President, Kin Canada
2025-2026



Service Report Spring 2026

Cystic Fibrosis

Cystic Fibrosis Canada has been working diligently to provide us better support in supporting them for the future including updating their swag and information supplies you can request them at kin@cysticfibrosis.ca

Also the National awards are now available on their partnership page at :

<https://kin.cysticfibrosis.ca/>

Awards : Ian F McClure and Bill Skelly

Canadian Blood Services :

National blood donor week takes place during the week of June 14-June 20th,2026

Feed The Need

The National initiative has been a great success and we look forward to seeing what this year's numbers will be so please don't forget to report your. Numbers using the link provided:

<https://form.jotform.com/kincanada/KinFeedTheNeed>

Kin Canada Bursaries

39 Clubs have donated \$50,600

Over 867 applications were received and 125 bursaries were given out.

Coldest Night of the year

CNOY (coldest night of the year) is scheduled for February 27th, 2027, please keep this in mind when planning Zone Conferences, your KINDness day events and other annual events.

On the District 1 Facebook page under files is tracking sheets it is now time to get all service money and hours reported at : <https://form.jotform.com/kincanada/servicereporting>

DUE June 15th



We would like to introduce you to Team M&M!

Governors to be : Matt Sharpe and Martina Hanson-Post

Coordinator/ Risk Manager: Daryl Van Moorsel

Awards Director : Dave Ellis

Treasurer: Dean Kitchen

Membership and Service Directors: Shawn Holroyd and Carol Van Rooy

Secretary: Patti Lamb

Communications: Jacob Schmitt

Congratulations to all the Incoming DG'S

Zone A- Kym Ellis

Zone B- TBD

Zone C- Danielle Allen and John Barrie

Zone D- Nikki George

Zone F- Cam Walters and Rico Mena

Zone G- Ryan Robinson and Gerry Rivait

Zone J- Dan Nicholson

Zone K- Dawn Hertel and Dawn Powell-Parker

We look forward to providing our team with the leadership and learning opportunities at DOLP July 4th and 5th to be able to support the clubs in their zones. We want you to know you can reach out to us at governors.district1kin@gmail.com or governors@district1kin.ca with any areas of concern or suggestions to focus our training on. We would like to support our members and the best way for us to do that is for you to let us know what you feel the needs for the clubs are.

We want to remind all clubs, now that your Elections are done, This is the time to start getting our Criminal Reference Checks done and beat the Nov 15th deadline. Ideally all Presidents and Treasurers will have this done by September 1st!

As most of you have heard, at your Zone Conferences, our Motto this year is to lead with the power of positive thinking, and to carry ourselves in a way that presents us as motivated and mannerly. We intend to do this by leading by example. We have set a few goals that we are working towards with our council and would love your support as members to achieve these together.

1) Positivity

2) Mentorship in kin and life skills (The Definition of a Mentor is: the guidance provided by a mentor, especially an experienced person in a company, organization or educational institution)

3) Membership Drive for Clubs under 5 members

We are a large family of Kin. This is our plan for the 2026-2027 Kin year, but every good plan is adjustable, so please share your ideas, and let us know how we can help you and your club. We look forward to working with you, the wonderful Members of District 1, to make this the best year we can.

District 1 Convention- Agenda

FRIDAY

Opening Ceremonies 8pm

SATURDAY

Breakfast 7:30am-8:30am

Credentials 7am-8:45am

Call to Order 9am

O'Canada

Kin Song

Moment of Silence

Kin Club of Heaven

Land Acknowledgement

Welcome from Host Club

Coordinators Instructions

Credentials Report

Appointments

Open fines session

Vice Governor Candidates

National Report

First Call for Spring 2027 Host Club

BREAK

National Vice President Candidate Vicki

Vice Governor Report

Second Call for Spring 2027 Host Club

Joke Off

Speak Off

LUNCH

National Vice President Candidate Lonny

Resolutions

Service Report

Incoming Service Budget

BREAK

Kin 30 & Under Distinction

Third & Final Call for Spring 2027 Host Club

Announce incoming Vice Governors

Vote for Spring 2027 Host Club

Close Fine Session

Good of Kin / CF Cheque Presentations

Sargent at Arms Report

Governors Remarks

Host Club Remarks

Coordinator Dinner Instructions

Adjournment

Zone A Report

This year has been both challenging and rewarding for Zone A. With four clubs currently under five members, our primary focus has been on membership growth while continuing to support meaningful projects and community involvement.

Our Roaring Twenties Zone Conference was truly the bee's knees, as Hamilton took the opportunity to host with gusto. Food, fun, games, fellowship, and business were all wrapped together with laughter and Kin spirit.

Club Highlights

Brantford Kinsmen

Brantford Kinsmen continue to work diligently on three major projects:

- Brantford Ribfest – August 7–9, 2026
- Car Show & Swap Meet – September 20, 2026
- Participation in Brantford International Villages with a New York, New York theme

Cambridge (Preston)

Cambridge (Preston) continues bringing fun and food to the community with their annual Kin Karnival with Food trucks, Games, Rides - May 28–31, 2026

Flamborough Kin

Flamborough Kin will once again be serving their popular Smoked turkey legs & Pickles on a stick at the Winona Peach Festival – August 28–30, 2026.

Guelph Kinettes

Guelph Kinettes continue to hold their annual “Junk in the Trunk” Parking Lot Yard Sale

Hamilton Kin

Hamilton Kin has been busy planning and supporting several exciting initiatives:

- Annual Pickleball Tournament
- Prepared and served a Dinner & Dessert Night at a local hospital hostel
- Hosting the Free Hot Dog BBQ at the annual CF Walk
- Operating the Candy Floss and Sno Cone Booth at the Winona Peach Festival (August 28–30, 2026) jointly with the Stoney Creek Kinsmen

- Giving away free candy floss at the Winona Halloween Bash (October 18, 2026) jointly with the Stoney Creek Kinsmen

- Participating in the Santa Claus Parade – November 14, 2026

KW Kinsmen

KW Kinsmen continue their longstanding tradition of hosting their annual TV Auction

Oakville Kinsmen

Oakville has had a quieter year as the club focuses on Membership recruitment and retention

Stoney Creek Kinsmen

Stoney Creek remains stable with ongoing projects while also focusing on membership growth:

- Operating the Alternative Foods Booth at the Winona Peach Festival (August 28–30, 2026) jointly with the Hamilton Kin Club

- Giving away free candy floss at the Winona Halloween Bash (October 18, 2026) jointly with the Hamilton Kin Club

Waterloo Grand River Kinsmen

WGR has had a quieter year while concentrating efforts on Membership development

Zone A continues to push forward through challenges, support one another, and serve our communities with pride. While membership remains a priority, the dedication and spirit shown by our clubs prove that Kin in Zone A remains strong.

Zone C Kinsmen- Year at a glance

It's been my pleasure being part of this year's team. It has been a great learning curve and am I lucky to work with this group of amazing community leaders.

Please see below what has gone on this year with Kinsmen Clubs Zone C

Collingwood Kinsmen- Collingwood Blues Chuck- A - Puck / Indoor Golf Tourney / Bottle Drives / School BBQ's / Adapt a Senior / Helped with Optimist Annual Mother of All Garage Sales / Rotary Club of Collingwood bartending events

Feversham Kinsmen-Softball Tourney / Car Show and BBQ/ Poker Pigs tourney/ Christmas with Santa and Breakfast/ Family Day open house Ice Skate party with Hot Dogs & Hot Chocolate / 2nd Annual Sick Kids fundraiser cornhole euchre and silent auction / Ram Rodeo and Dance

Meaford Kinsmen- Bingo every 2nd and 4th Thursday / Ball Tourney Bar and BBQ / Kin Camp / Santa Clause Parade/ Family Day Sleigh Ride / Country 93 Video Dance

Stayner Kinsmen-Duck Race and BBQ / Harvest Dance/ Hospice Walk / Music in the Park Beer Garden all summer long / BBQ and Sausage at Edenvale Air and Car Show / CF Toll Road

Shelburne Kinsmen- Dufferin Car Show 50/50 and Hot Dogs / Toll Gate / Christmas Tree Sales / Xmas Hampers / Kin Kindness Hot Dog Day at Giant Tiger / Partnering with Shelburne Kinettes on other community events.

I would like to thank the Meaford Kinsmen and Kinette Clubs for hosting an amazing Zone Conference. You rocked it. We had all clubs present. Many awards were presented and everyone left the room feeling proud to be part of the Kin Family.

I would be remiss if I do not call out my partner in crime Danielle Allen. Girl you rock this DG role and I am so fortunate to have you as a partner. There is no way I could have done this on my own. You are focused and so organized. Kin Canada and Wasaga Kinettes are lucky to have you on our team

Yours in Kin

John Barrie

Zone C Kinsmen Deputy Governor

Collingwood Kinsmen- Past President

Zone C – Kinette DG Report – Danielle Allen

Zone C Kinettes have been very busy this Kin year, with lots of amazing events, service projects and community engagement. The Clubs continue to impress with their positive Kin spirits and supportive comradery and more and more we are seeing them out spreading the word of Kin and showing up for their communities. We have 5 Kinette Clubs (1 being a Kin Club) in Zone C with a total of 64 Members, new members continuing to come on board. What a privilege it has been to be the Kinette DG for this amazing Zone, alongside my fellow Kinsmen DG John Barrie. We look forward to another Kin year as fellow DG's!

Kinette Zone C Club Details & Updates

Beaver Valley Kinettes

12 Members and meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. The Club has been keeping busy with various projects this year. They've supported a local childcare facility for graduation gowns (the kids looked pretty cute!), donated to a local summer camp program towards busing for a field trip and held their first Drag Show in the Fall. Everyone that attended the Drag show had a great time, with lots of learning opportunities through this venture. They've supported Meaford Hospital with their 50/50 draws at the Georgian Bay Applekings games, with the Club portion being recognized as a donation to the Hospital on the Club's behalf. The Kinettes ran the bar for the CLOWE Hockey Tournament in Thornbury and they held a service project to brighten the days of local veterans at the Legion with Valentine's cards. All of the Kinettes signed each of the cards and Lisa and Lauren delivered them! What a great way to show support to such wonderful members of the community.

Clearview Kin

9 Members and meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of the month. The Clearview ladies have been busy with their February Charity 3 on 3 Outdoor Hockey tournament to help raise funds for the bleacher rebuild at Gowan Memorial Park in Creemore. They will be hosting an online 50/50 draw through RaffleBox with funds going towards the Bleachers project as well. There will be more events for the Bleachers Rebuild – stay tuned! The Club is planning on running their BBQ at the Stayner Market 'n Park It again this year, so stop by for some hot eats and Kin social time this summer!

Meaford Kinettes

13 Members and 3 Life Members. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Every 2 months or so the Club hosts dinners for the residents at a local retirement building (Albert place) and provide amazing dinners, turkey, ham, chicken, with all the fixings and homemade desserts. In December they did a night of Meaford group home caroling and provided presents and baked goods for all the residents, as well as a visit from Santa. At the Meaford Santa Clause parade they collect food and monetary donations for the Meaford Foodbank. One of their biggest service projects is every 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month, they host a community Bingo at the local Rec Centre. With this they support the music program at the school, donated to the school trip fund, and the good food box program. Other donations include adopt a senior for Christmas, so every senior at a local nursing home would receive a gift. They've also made donations to the backpack program at the school and the cultural society to buy art

supplies. In the new year they held a bottle drive and supported the Meaford Kinsmen with their Family Day slay ride and fun day and provided free mini golf for the children of Meaford during Kin Kindness. They were also the lovely co-hosts of our Zone Conference in March, what an amazing event and we can't thank the Meaford Clubs enough for putting such a great Conference together!

Shelburne Kinettes

8 Members, 2 volunteers and 1 potential new Member. Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The Club held their Christmas craft fundraiser where they made beautiful Christmas urns, door swags, and center pieces in time for the Holidays. They spread holiday cheer by delivering Christmas cards to the residents at one of the local nursing homes. In May they ran their Mother's Day Flower Fundraiser where they sold hanging flower baskets in partnership with a local greenhouse. Their 'SOCK it to Em' service project launched on May 6th where they have partnered with local businesses to collect new, unused socks of all sizes (thermal socks are in most need), which will go to those experiencing housing insecurity or hardships in the community – providing comfort and helping to restore dignity. What an amazing project of giving and supporting those in their community.

Wasaga Beach Kinettes

22 Members, 2 Active Life Members, 2 non Active Life Members, 1 potential new Member and 4 Honorary Members. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The Wasaga Kinettes stay pretty busy throughout the year volunteering at the Blood Donor Clinics, running clothing drives for Kidney Clothes and catering Celebrations of Life and group bus trips. Over the Christmas holidays they ran their largest annual service project (running almost 30 years), Toys for Kids, which supports local families with children 16 and under over the holidays, by providing Christmas gifts, clothing, etc. 610 volunteer hours went into this program this year and 446 children were provided a happier Christmas. Their annual Cheer for a Year raffle ended in December, they ran the bar for the Wasaga Galentines Day event supporting the Foodbank and participated with the Town's Eggstravaganza by running the Easter Egg Hunt. For Kin Kindness day free hot chocolate was handed out at the Town's Snowman Mania and the Club even entered the Chili Cook-Out! Currently they're running an online 50/50 draw and just wrapped up their Spring Box lunch program. They will then be hosting their first Pickleball tournament on June 13th and have partnered with the local Pickleball Club. They've also started participating with the Kinsmen TV Bingo and have two locations in Wasaga so far, selling the cards. The Club is looking forward to bringing their Shooters for Hooters fundraiser to Kin Kamp this August, with all proceeds going to support Breast Cancer research.

Hello Fellow Kin,

Zone D has been busy as usual with many events, fundraisers and meetings. It has been my pleasure to represent Zone D this year and most definitely the most amazing experience to add to my Kin Resume.

Recently I attended the Kinette Club of Stevensville's 50th year celebrations with a lovely dinner at the Skylon Tower in Niagara Falls...**congratulations** again on 50!

I have attended many second club visits and some events that were full of pride and dedication to this organization alongside fellowship and laughs.

Congratulations Zone D on 6 out of 9 clubs having successful HREF Bursary winners, please keep up the great work promoting the program 🙌

Upcoming/Ongoing Events

-**Fort Erie Kinsmen** will be doing the BBQ at Safari Niagara for the annual CF Walk

-**Fort Erie Kinettes** recently did a BBQ fundraiser and Prom Project, with another BBQ in June.

-**Cayuga** has started their Bucket Toll Drive at the Motorsport Speedway and have a new beautiful Hall which Zone Conference was held at

-Grimsby had their annual Mini Putt Pub Crawl event which was a huge success at raising funds for a local hospital/hospice care facility

-**Fonthill Kinsmen** were kind enough to host the National President meet and greet, many of us were given the opportunity to meet and speak one on one with NP Pat and learn of all the ongoing work on the NBOD and how flow works. They also recently had their Craft Show with many vendors and was well attended. They will also be doing some bartending at the local summer park with bands etc. I will be helping out bartending during Pelhamfest which is a huge street party with vendors and live bands

-**Niagara on The Lake Kinsmen** will again do their annual Car Show and Friday Euchres will be coming to an end for the summer

-RCB Kin are forever busy doing many things, such as their Open Mic nights, Music Bingo, and again this summer will be running the bar at the Crystal Beach Supper Market alongside a charity if the week they donate funds to. They also hosted Founders Night this year which was well attended.

-**Stevensville Kinettes** will be hosting Springfest which is their annual fund raiser and community event held June 5th to 7th. Their 50 year celebration for the public is being held July 12th at the Conservation Club in Stevensville.

As the year wraps up and some clubs take a break and others are busier than ever I would like to say thank you for a spectacular year and for welcoming me into your clubs and having me at your events....it has been one of my greatest pleasures

YIK

DG Casi McCrae

Zone D

Zone F Report

This has been a great year for us, and it looks like we could finish strong with around ten new members. Our Zone Conference was a tremendous success, and I want to extend **congratulations** to all of our Zone Award recipients:

- Zone Bulletin Award – Tillsonburg Kinettes
- Kin Rookie of the Year – Amanda van der Linde, Elgin/St. Thomas Kinettes
- Kinsmen of the Year – PP Brad Bedford, St. Thomas Kinsmen
- Colleen Wake Mentor Award – Linda van der Linde, Elgin/St. Thomas Kinettes
- President of the Year – Carrie Lewis, Tillsonburg Kinettes
- Zone Conference Theme Award – “Mrs. Ropers” – Rena Pittao, Tammy Kyle & Andrea Scholten, Tillsonburg Kinettes
- Joke Off LMPP Mary Bartram, Tillsonburg Kinettes

Next year’s Zone Conference will be hosted by the Elgin–St. Thomas Kinette Club.

Throughout April, May and into June we will be busy visiting clubs, and we are incredibly proud of the work being done across our Zone. Their donations and community service continue to make a meaningful impact.

We also welcome incoming DG-Elect Rico Mena from the St. Thomas Kinsmen.

To the Zone F Clubs, I truly enjoyed serving as your DG. It has been a wonderful experience for me. Thank you to DG Cam Walters, you have been a fantastic partner, and I feel the Zone is in very capable hands. With both DG Cam and incoming DG Rico coming from the St. Thomas Kinsmen, and knowing how well they work together, I’m confident this duo will be a strong leadership team.

DG Andy Beck & DG Cam Walters

Zone G/H Report

All the clubs in my zone have been very welcoming. I'm on my 2nd visit to most clubs.

Sarnia has changed their name to the Sarnia Kin Club. They also have been very busy with projects like spring into summer, Sarnia Ribfest, Canada Day, Fall into Winter and Santa Clause parade.

Chatham kin club has been busy recruiting new members and preparing for the fair, they also have a yard sale and wrestling show coming up. Wallaceburg has done great with projects this year. They have done beer for a year, pumpkin fest, atv raffle and they have bingos and fish fry.

Dresden Kin have also been very active with projects. They have rock the park, atv raffle, fish fry, Santa Clause parade, easter egg hunt, pet and hobby parade. dover kinmen club has ben very active with muskrat dinners, fish fry, chicken & rib dinner they also have been planning for the truck and tractor pull.

Tilbury kinsmen have been very busy with blue birds games, easter egghunt, gift card raffle and cysticforebrosis golf tournament.

Merlin kinsmen club is building a new pickleball,ball hockey and basketball court. They have also been busy with fish dinners and side by side draw.

Harrow Kinsmen have been busy with projects like Santa Clause parade, easter egg hunt, and they have their Harrow Fair labor day weekend.

Leamington kinsmen have hogs for hospice July 31st-August 2nd.

DG Ryan Robinson & DG Gerry Rivait

We have had a busy time here in Zone J over the past few months.

We may only have 5 clubs, but we more than make up for it in activities and community engagement. The Chesley Kinsmen are already busy at the beginning of the Kin year with July Fest, featuring a ball tournament, classic car show and much more. This was followed up shortly after with the Teeswater Kinsmen chipping in to help Teeswater celebrate their 150th Anniversary. National Convention in Kingston was attended by representatives of 4 clubs from the zone and was well enjoyed by all.

August saw the Walkerton Kinsmen and Kinettes doing their part for the annual Dirt Pigs ball tournament, and then it was time for a President's meeting. September and October were busy with the Walkerton clubs running a B.B.Q and bottle drive for Feed the Need. Then there were the club installations, which meant that I also got to hang out with the hardworking Kin of the Zone. I had the honour of speaking at the Life Night of Chesley Kinsmen Peter Knipfel and helping the Chesley Kinettes with their highly successful bottle drive. The Teeswater Kinsmen held their annual Spook Barn for the kids, and speaking of kids, the Walkerton Kinettes held a Fairy Tale Feast that was a big hit with the little ones.

November saw us dusting off our curling equipment and throwing rocks at the Chesley Kinettes annual Darlene and Brianna Gardhouse bonspiel. Despite having a couple of ringers on the Team, Past D1 Governor Shawn, and Vice Governor Matt, we had to settle for having a great time. Even though game 7 of the World Series was on, the Teeswater Kinsmen shifted gears and brought in TVs to keep ball fans happy during their Elimination Dance. The month rounded out with the Walkerton Kinettes hosting their Meet Santa event right before the Walkerton Kinsmen ran their annual Santa Claus Parade. And the Chesley Kinsmen held their highly successful Steak Night, an event that always sells out.

We continued the holiday spirit with the Chesley Kinsmen Santa Clause Parade, and the Chesley Kinettes breakfast with Santa, not to mention the Teeswater Kinsmen Food Drive Christmas Float.

There was a breather for a bit, while more club visitations took place, as well as helping out at the Teeswater Kinsmen Steak Night, and Chesley's East vs West hockey game.

Then it was time for Zone Conference. It was well attended by all clubs, and we were privileged to have National President Patrick Bowers among the dignitaries.

Chesley Kinettes ran their annual Easter Egg Hunt, always a fun time, and Teeswater held their yearly Fishing Derby for the kids, and maybe for a few grown ups as well.

Walkerton Kinsmen got their clean on and took care of groundskeeping at the Tot lot in town and then went out to clean up their section of a nearby highway. Meanwhile, the Walkerton Kinettes hosted an adult hypnotist, Sailesh, and we got to see Past Governor Shawn acting strangely. Well, stranger than normal. And the last event before Spring Convention was the Teeswater Kinettes hosting a trivia night.

June 14, we are hosting Past Governor and Life Member Karen Coutts and Vice Governor Matt Sharpe who will be facilitating a New Member Education Session for anyone in the Zone who wants to learn, or brush up on their Kin Knowledge.

As you can see, there is an incredible amount of activity coming from 5 clubs. And there is still more work to be done, as Walkerton prepares for their Homecoming, and the International Plowing Match sets up just outside town.

As I wrap up my first year as Deputy Governor and prepare to start my second, I reflect on what a great Zone I am part of, and how much fun it is to work with a group of people who are so heavily invested in their communities.

Dan Nicholson

Zone K Spring Report

It has been an honor and privilege for us to represent Zone K and be a part of the District 1 KinDriven 106 team. What remarkable clubs and members we have in Zone K. The commitment of every club to their community, supporting others through events and fundraisers, and generously giving back is truly awe inspiring. WE...as in every member, should be very proud of what we've been able to achieve this year.

Zone K recently held their Kinsmen/Kin/Kinette Joint Conference. The conference theme was "Casino Night" and was hosted by the Goderich Kinsmen and Kinette Clubs. There were approximately 51 members in attendance, and the Zone was represented well with seven of nine clubs in attendance. All in all, it was a wonderful time with great conversations, great food, fellowship, and good fun.

Yours in Kin,
DG's Patti Lamb and Dawn Hertel

District 1 Kin

Budget vs. Actuals: Kin Driven 106 Budget 25/26 - FY26 P&L Classes

April 2025 - September 2026

	KIN 106			TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	REMAINING	ACTUAL	BUDGET	REMAINING
Income						
20300 Member Dues	50,032.00	52,390.80	2,358.80	\$50,032.00	\$52,390.80	\$2,358.80
20400 House Rules Assessment	345.00	380.00	35.00	\$345.00	\$380.00	\$35.00
20500 Convention Assessments	6,850.00	7,600.00	750.00	\$6,850.00	\$7,600.00	\$750.00
20600 Kinship One & Website Ad Sales		350.00	350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
20700 Interest	42.87		-42.87	\$42.87	\$0.00	\$ -42.87
20750 Investment interest		400.00	400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Total 20700 Interest	42.87	400.00	357.13	\$42.87	\$400.00	\$357.13
20800 Fine Pots				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
20810 Spring Fines		150.00	150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
20820 FLC Fines		150.00	150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Total 20800 Fine Pots		300.00	300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
21400 From Surplus		15,000.00	15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Total Income	\$57,269.87	\$76,420.80	\$19,150.93	\$57,269.87	\$76,420.80	\$19,150.93
GROSS PROFIT	\$57,269.87	\$76,420.80	\$19,150.93	\$57,269.87	\$76,420.80	\$19,150.93
Expenses						
30000 Council Meetings				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
30100 DOLP Onboarding	3,935.81	4,400.00	464.19	\$3,935.81	\$4,400.00	\$464.19
30400 Midterm	7,137.75	6,300.00	-837.75	\$7,137.75	\$6,300.00	\$ -837.75
Total 30000 Council Meetings	11,073.56	10,700.00	-373.56	\$11,073.56	\$10,700.00	\$ -373.56
31000 House Rules		200.00	200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
32000 District Planner		200.00	200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
33000 Club Leadership Seminar	175.60		-175.60	\$175.60	\$0.00	\$ -175.60
34000 Zone Conference Expense	195.60	200.00	4.40	\$195.60	\$200.00	\$4.40
35000 Membership Programs		500.00	500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
40000 Convention Assessment	7,800.00	7,500.00	-300.00	\$7,800.00	\$7,500.00	\$ -300.00
41100 Vice Governor's Team	2,047.00	3,000.00	953.00	\$2,047.00	\$3,000.00	\$953.00
41200 Deputy Governor Allotments	1,575.00	3,150.00	1,575.00	\$1,575.00	\$3,150.00	\$1,575.00
41300 Governor's Honorarium	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
42000 Mileage				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
42100 Mileage - Executive	3,686.60	3,100.00	-586.60	\$3,686.60	\$3,100.00	\$ -586.60
42200 Mileage - Deputy Governors	3,503.60	5,500.00	1,996.40	\$3,503.60	\$5,500.00	\$1,996.40
42300 Club Support Director Travel	1,277.10	2,000.00	722.90	\$1,277.10	\$2,000.00	\$722.90
42400 Mileage - Governor Travel	1,551.20	2,000.00	448.80	\$1,551.20	\$2,000.00	\$448.80
Total 42000 Mileage	10,018.50	12,600.00	2,581.50	\$10,018.50	\$12,600.00	\$2,581.50
43000 Conventions				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
43100 Fall Leadership Conference	10,444.95	8,850.00	-1,594.95	\$10,444.95	\$8,850.00	\$ -1,594.95
43200 Spring Convention	4,480.00	9,500.00	5,020.00	\$4,480.00	\$9,500.00	\$5,020.00
43300 National Convention	2,272.56	6,000.00	3,727.44	\$2,272.56	\$6,000.00	\$3,727.44
Total 43000 Conventions	17,197.51	24,350.00	7,152.49	\$17,197.51	\$24,350.00	\$7,152.49
45000 Website Hosting		400.00	400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
50000 General Administration				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
50100 Stationary/Secretary	206.27	250.00	43.73	\$206.27	\$250.00	\$43.73
50200 Technology/Software	692.12	350.00	-342.12	\$692.12	\$350.00	\$ -342.12
50300 Postage	68.33	100.00	31.67	\$68.33	\$100.00	\$31.67
50400 Kin Sales / Tributes	1,474.35	1,500.00	25.65	\$1,474.35	\$1,500.00	\$25.65
50500 Council shirts/badges	2,006.16	1,600.00	-406.16	\$2,006.16	\$1,600.00	\$ -406.16
50600 Awards	937.86	1,840.00	902.14	\$937.86	\$1,840.00	\$902.14
50800 Advance to VG team		5,000.00	5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
50900 Fine Pot Donation		150.00	150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00

District 1 Kin

Budget vs. Actuals: Kin Driven 106 Budget 25/26 - FY26 P&L Classes
April 2025 - September 2026

	KIN 106			TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	REMAINING	ACTUAL	BUDGET	REMAINING
50950 Fines to NVP fund		150.00	150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
52000 Miscellany	0.00	100.00	100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
53000 Bank Service Charges		50.00	50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Total 50000 General Administration	5,385.09	11,090.00	5,704.91	\$5,385.09	\$11,090.00	\$5,704.91
Total Expenses	\$56,467.86	\$75,890.00	\$19,422.14	\$56,467.86	\$75,890.00	\$19,422.14
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$802.01	\$530.80	\$ -271.21	\$802.01	\$530.80	\$ -271.21
NET INCOME	\$802.01	\$530.80	\$ -271.21	\$802.01	\$530.80	\$ -271.21

PROPOSED 2026-2027 DISTRICT BUDGET

ON TRACK *Pump Up Kin* *Kin Driven 106* *Team M&M*
 Budget 23/24 Budget 24/25 Budget 25/26 Budget 25/26

DUES AMOUNT: \$ 50.00
CLUBS: 75
MEMBERSHIP: 1,112
 was \$48.60

Proposed 2.8% increase

REVENUE:

1	Advance from surplus to Vice for	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
2	Vice Governor transfer in				
3	Member Dues	\$ 49,717.80	\$ 51,759.00	\$ 52,390.00	\$ 55,600.00
4	House Rules	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 375.00
5	Convention assessment	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 7,500.00
6	Kinship 1 and Web Ads	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
7	Interest (investment & bank)	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 800.00
8	Fines: Spr	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
9	FLC	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
10	Club Leadership Seminar	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
11	District Leadership Seminar - HQ	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
12	DLS Facilitator reimbursement frc	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
13	Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
14	From surplus	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,251.98	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 16,514.43
	Total Revenue	\$ 74,042.80	\$ 75,935.98	\$ 76,420.00	\$ 81,089.43

DISBURSEMENTS:

District 1 Operations

1	DLS / Preterm Meeting	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1	Council meetings	\$ 2,726.00	\$ 4,356.29	\$ 4,400.00	\$ 6,113.27
	DOLP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Preterm	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	September Council	\$ 2,650.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	January Midterm Meeting	\$ 2,899.00	\$ 6,251.09	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,330.00
	Executive Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	House Rules	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
3	District Planner	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
4	Club Leadership Seminar	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5	Zone Conference entry fees	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
6	Membership Programmes	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00

Sub-Total \$ 10,125.00 \$ 11,707.38 \$ 11,800.00 \$ 13,093.27

Allotments / Assessment:

1	Convention Assessments	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
2	Vice Governor Team Allotment	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
3	Deputy Governor Allotment	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,150.00
4	Governors Honorarium	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	Sub-Total	\$ 15,650.00	\$ 15,650.00	\$ 15,650.00	\$ 15,650.00

Mileage

1	Mileage Executive	\$ 4,406.40	\$ 4,248.40	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 4,248.40
2	Mileage Deputy Governors	\$ 5,317.20	\$ 4,637.76	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 4,637.76
3	Mileage DMD for Membership Or	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
4	Mileage Governors / Exec Travels	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
5	National President Tour	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Sub-Total	\$ 13,723.60	\$ 12,886.16	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 12,886.16

Conventions - Operations

1	FLC	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,825.00	\$ 8,850.00	\$ 10,795.00
2	Spring Convention	\$ 8,816.00	\$ 9,486.00	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 11,058.00
3	National Conventions - Outgoing ¹	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
	Sub-Total	\$ 23,216.00	\$ 24,311.00	\$ 24,350.00	\$ 27,853.00

Kinship One / Communic:

1	Publications				
2	Postage (moved to overall postage as it doesn't go alone)				
2	Website Host	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
	Sub-Total	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00

General Administration

1	Stationary/Secretary	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 350.00
2	Technology/Software	\$ 240.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 567.00
3	Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
4	Kin Sales/Tributes/Pins	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
5	Dist. Council Shirts/Badges	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,000.00
6	Awards	\$ 1,840.00	\$ 1,840.00	\$ 1,840.00	\$ 740.00

Quickbooks + Zoom

7	Professional financial fee	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
8	Return of Advance to Surplus	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00
9	Fines: other	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	\$	150.00
10	Fines: NVP Fund	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	\$	150.00
11	Charter Fund	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
12	Misc. Expenses	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00
13	Service / Bank charges	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	50.00	\$	50.00
	Sub-Total	\$	10,930.00	\$	11,090.00	\$	11,090.00	\$	11,207.00
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:		74044.6	\$	76,044.54	\$	75,890.00	\$	81,089.43
	TOTAL PROFIT / LOSS (Profit to C	\$	(1.80)	\$	(108.56)	\$	530.00	\$	-

FLC 2025 MINUTES, PROUD TO BE KINADIAN!

Friday

3 pm. Registration desk opens
3pm and 3:30 pm- Whiskey tasting at Forty Creek
Opening Ceremonies 8pm
Hospitality room opens-Panorama room Band at 9pm
Costume contest 10:15

Saturday

Credentials desk 7:30 to 8:45 am
Banquet Room breakfast 7:30-8:30
Call to order 9:00 am
O'Canada- Dawn Hertel
Kin Song- Hunter Schnarr
Land Acknowledgement-
Address to the Chair- Gov Tracy & Dave, Guests & fellow kin, we are proud to be Kinadian
Appointment of Fines Chair and Sgt. at arms
Appointment of Rules of order/ scrutineers

Credentials report
39 votes available (show of hands)
Simple majority, 20.. 2/3 is 26
Ballot Vote- 569
Simple majority- 285 -- 2/3 is 380

1st: Hunter Schnarr- Listowel Kinsmen
2nd- Danielle Allen- Wasaga Beach Kinettes
Carried
Open fines session
Fine Master: Frank
SA: Shawn Holroyd
Scrutineers: Eileen George & Tim Natyshak
1: Elena (Grimsby kinettes)
2nd: Terry McGregor (Sarnia)
Carried

Motion to open fine session
1st: Rico Mena (St Thomas)
2nd: Jasmin Sloan (Chesley Kinettes)
Carried

Governor Remarks

Opening Nominations for FLC 2026
1: Beavervalley
2nd: Eileen George (Fort Erie Kinettes)
Carried

FLC Host Remarks- Doug Freeland
-See Kim for raffle tickets
-shirts are \$15 each

Service Report

Papers have been submitted for Frank & Eileen for Vice Governor

Kin Club of Russel- Catch the Ace over \$2 million

Pump up Kin Financials

1: Elane Frook (Walkerton Kinettes)

2nd: Kate Van Moorsel (Greater London Kinsmen)

Carried

Spring Convention Financials

1: Dan Nicholson (Walkerton Kinsmen)

2: Mike Westover (Delhi Kin)

Carried

Spring Convention Minutes

1: Andy Beck (Almer Kinsmen)

2: Patti Lamb (Godrich Kinettes)

Carried

Second Call for FLC 2026

Kin Canada Foundation

Meaford Kinsmen

-Kin Kamp- July 31st-Aug 3rd

BREAK

1st Seminars:

Fire Extinguisher Use-Cellar Room

How to Build Partnerships- Committee room-

Power of the Gavel- Ball room

LUNCH- 30 under 30 presentation during lunch

2nd Seminars

How to use a Defibrillator- Committee Room

Why Become a Deputy Governor- Cellar Room

How to Maneuver i-Kin- Ball room

BREAK

3rd Seminars

Kin History - Cellar Room

Narcan/Epipen Training- Committee Room

Nov 15th- Ball room -

3rd call for FLC 2026

-Shawn Holroyd stands and nominates St Thomas

Close the nominations for FLC 2026

1: Jackie Webber (Flamborough)

2: Carol VanRoy (Elgin St Thomas)

Carried

Host Club Final Remarks

-Cut off date for registration needs to be put in place for district

Close Fine Session

1: John Barry (Collingwood)

2: Rico Mena (St Thomas)

Carried

Governor Final Remarks

Good of Kin

Coordinator Chrissy- Dinner instructions

Fine pot: \$200.01

Dan Nicholson makes a motion to direct the fines pot to the Colleen Wake HREF fund.

2: Martina Post

Carried

Adjournment

1: Marcus Antaya (Fort Erie Kinsmen)

2: Garry Deroche (Stoney Creek)

Carried

First timers reception 6:30 pm

Cocktails 6pm

March in-6:45 pm

Dinner and Awards-7pm

Hospitality room opens in the Banquet room 9pm

Sunday

Breakfast 8am-10am check out is 11am



Rising Together embodies the spirit of unity, collaboration, and shared purpose that defines District 1 and Kin Canada. It represents how members, clubs, and communities across our district and the nation support one another to reach new heights — not as individuals, but as one collective family.

Within District 1, Rising Together means strengthening the bonds between our clubs, empowering new leaders, and building on the foundations laid by those who came before us. It's about celebrating our diversity, respecting our roots, and creating opportunities for everyone to grow and contribute. When one club succeeds, we all rise — together.

Across Kin Canada, Rising Together extends beyond boundaries. It speaks to our shared commitment to service, friendship, and community betterment from coast to coast. Whether it's raising funds for local causes, supporting national initiatives, or simply lending a hand, our strength lies in our unity. Together, we rise to challenges, celebrate achievements, and build a stronger, more connected Canada.

Rising Together reminds us that our future — as Kinsmen, Kinettes, and Kin — is brighter when we lift each other up, guided by the values of Family, Friends, Foundations, and Future.

Yours in Kin,

Eileen George & Frank Mailloux



FORWARD
TOGETHER

LIFTING
COMMUNITIES

VICKI ANDREWS
NVP CANDIDATE

2026/27
NVP Candidate

Invitation to connect with your NVP candidate

VICKI ANDREWS

I would love to connect with
Kin following District
Convention. Please join me
online

Wed June 10th, 2026
7pm est

vandrews@kincanada.ca
Follow Connection Trail on
Facebook:

[https://www.facebook.com/
share/g/1CAwMc1Qun/](https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1CAwMc1Qun/)



VICKI ANDREWS
NVP CANDIDATE



For those that I haven't met, my name is Victoria Andrews, but my friends call me "Vicki". I am a Life Member of the Kinette Club of Fredericton, and while I've been an active member since 2010 when I Chartered my club, I am also a Kin Kid.

The purpose of this communication is to let you know who I am, how I have gained my experience that I feel will lend to the role of National Vice President and subsequently National President, and to openly tell you why I have put my name forth.

Outside of my club roles, I've been a Deputy Governor three times, several times on the District Executive Council as Treasurer and Vice Governor. I've held the role of Governor in District 7 twice. I've held a 2-year term as National Service Director and most recently I am completing the 2nd year of an appointed two-year term on the National Board.

Professionally, I was a commercial banker in Fredericton and Calgary for roughly 20 years, serving the automotive and agriculture sectors and 7 years ago my favorite client hired me as their Chief Financial and Operating Officer of Kennedy Auto Group. In addition, I have held several roles within the Girl Guides organization and maintained several seats on the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce and Partners For Youth.

After completing my first stint as Governor, I was appointed to the position of National Service Director, quite possibly one of the most challenging, yet rewarding roles I've held. My 2-year term extended over Covid. It was the responsibility of my Service Team, under the guidance of the National Board, to show our clubs that service remained possible. After my term as NSD, I considered a run for the National Board, but it was then that I was asked to assist D7 one more time when we found ourselves suddenly without a Governor.

Throughout my years serving D7 and as NSD, I gained the experience I needed to feel comfortable to seek a seat on the National Board. I learned the difference between operational roles and role the National Board plays. Since being appointed, I have been on the Education/Evaluation, Finance and Governance committees. Additionally, I am now on the Management Committee as National Secretary. This experience has been paramount to prepare me for the role of NVP, especially that of National Secretary as I have the insight of the daily operations of the executive roles on the board. It also lets me say with certainty that I know what I've signed up for, and I understand the commitment.

I have been a part of Kin my whole life. I started volunteering at a very young age and have grown up knowing what it's like to be a part of something much bigger. It's contributed to who I am today as a leader, both within Kin and my career, as a friend and a "neighbor". It's also formed who I am as a parent. I have instilled the importance of volunteering in my kids, Jack and Sara, just as my parents did for me. In return for the gift Kin has given to me, I am seeking the seat of NVP. I have the necessary skills and passion to perform this role well alongside our Board.

When you cast your vote in Moosejaw at National Kinvention, I ask that you consider my experience and passion for Kin when choosing our next National Vice President.

Yours in Kin,

LM Vicki Andrews
2026/27 NVP Candidate





EXPERIENCE IN KIN

- Joined Kin in 1997
- Deputy Governor 2012-2014, Gordon Anderson Award
- District Treasurer for 5 terms
- District Secretary for 2 terms
- Kinsmen Foundation of BC Director for 5 years
- District Governor 2019-2021
- National Director 2023 - present
- Life Membership in 2018
- District Public Speaking Winner in 2019

Collaboration is essential in Kin and doing so strategically, deliberately, and effectively is key to our success. We must lead with a growth mindset, being open to new ideas, new partnerships, and creative ways to generate non dues revenue growth. We need to continue to recruit, support, and engage our younger membership as they will be our future leaders for tomorrow. To remain relevant, we must be proactive and strategic in how we move our Association forward. We need to elevate our brand and see that Canada knows who we are, what we do, and what we have to offer.

We have not had a National President from District 5 since 1981 and I would be honored to have that opportunity. Kin has given me so much over the past 29 years, I strongly feel it's my time to give back in this capacity as we continue to work together for a better Canada.

*Yours in Kin,
NVP Candidate Lonny Wiebe*

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