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Fellow Kin

I can honestly say I'm glad that Spring Zone Conference Season is over. What a ride it was. The month of March is really just a blur. I was so happy to be able to get to spend zone conference with so many zones. It was so nice to see some familiar faces that I haven't seen in a few years. Friends from previous councils, former leaders of our association; but even better than rekindling old friendships was the opportunity to develop so many new ones. It was so inspiring to see so many new members and first timers out at the various zone conferences. Watching them take the first steps on their own Kin careers. Perhaps one of those will venture forward and join a zone or district team in the years to come.

My sincerest congrats to all of the Deputy Governors for not only successful zone conferences but also for their successful years. This year's council embraced the District Initiatives and enthusiastically implemented them in their zones. My heartfelt thanks to you all.

A huge thank you as well to everyone who hosted me while I was out touring the District during March. It was lovely to, after a long event or slate of events, to be welcomed into a host's home. The drinks, conversation and a comfy bed were all greatly appreciated.

Although the busy zone conference season is over that does not mean that things are slowing down. This coming Easter weekend will see many of our clubs hosting events throughout the District. Hearing the club reports at zone conferences it showed that the majority of clubs have at least one more major project on the horizon before the end of our Kin year. Of course we also "The Walk to Make Cystic Fibrosis History" in May with many clubs either participating or actively involved in the planning.

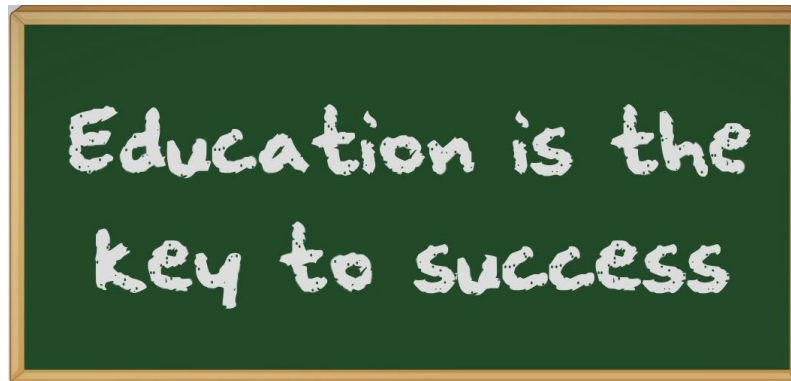
We are looking forward to and prepping for Spring Convention in Welland. We have a great slate of business with 5 resolutions, 1 VG Team campaigning, 2 NVP Candidates and the National President in attendance. Our hosts the Fonthill and District Kinsmen have some other surprises in store for the delegates. All in all it's shaping up to be quite the convention. I do hope to see as many of you there as possible.

So fellow Kin enjoy this holiday weekend with your family, recharge your batteries and ready yourself for the next few months as we move through the homestretch of our Kin year. Hopefully our paths will cross again soon as I continue my travels throughout the District.

Yours in Kin

Governor Deb

FROM THE DESK OF MONIKA MCKEAN (Education Director)



The National Education and Training Committee is continually working to create and improve the training that is available to our Kin members. I strongly encourage each and every one of you to check out the following:

➡ **KIN-U** -- <http://www.kin-u.ca/>

Conducting Effective Meetings

Risk Management

Kin Protocol

Introduction to Dropbox

These are just a few of the great topics available to extend your Kin knowledge ... all there for the taking.

➡ **KINBOOK** -- <http://kinbook.ca/>

Everything you wanted to know about Kin is available for your smart phone / electronic device. Take it everywhere with you ..

Has your club planned a new member orientation meeting yet?

Not only is this points on the Outstanding Club Award, you also owe it to your new members to properly educate them and get them into the flow of Kin.

The New Member Orientation Package is available at the following link:

http://www.kincanada.ca/resource-library?parent_id=5

If you need any assistance at all finding educational information, please don't hesitate to contact me. Also remember that we are blessed in this District to have the Chair of the National Education and Training Committee available to us. Terri Iredale, Kinette Club of St Marys ..and she's always available to help.

Helping you get KINeducated,
Monika McKean, District Education Director

FROM THE DESK OF MONIKA MCKEAN (Awards)



CAN I MEET **YOU** AT THE PODIUM?

We are right in the thick of award season and I hope that all Clubs have been working gathering pictures and putting words to submissions. Is there anyone out there putting pen to paper for the Quill Award? I've never known Kin to not have something to say. District Awards are all there for the taking and just need YOU to take the time to put the submissions together. Check out the criteria for all awards at my page

<http://www.district1kin.ca/index.php/DistrictTeam/Awards> and make sure your submissions are in my hands by May 2nd to qualify for Spring Convention.

PRESIDENTS!!!! YES YOU!!!

By now, most of the requirements for the Boake and Outstanding Boake Efficiency Awards should have taken place within your club, but you can't receive it if you don't submit your Affidavit. I know a few Clubs missed out last year because the paperwork wasn't submitted even though they had met all the criteria. Remember to follow the guidelines and get 'er done!

And while you are researching National Awards, check out the Outstanding Club Award, and start filling in the blanks. You will be surprised by what your club has accomplished this year. It might only take a couple of last minute agenda changes to ensure you qualify for this award. Once again though, you cannot win without submitting.

Zone Conferences are now over and everyone is awaiting Kin's Got Talent in Wellend. Take the time to put your submissions together and

MEET ME AT THE PODIUM ...

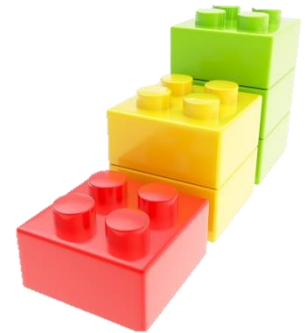
Monika McKean, District One Awards Chair



The Kin Excellence Programme ... National Awards and Recognition

~District Awards Director Monika McKean

The Kin Excellence Program is a *three-tiered recognition*, incorporating the Maple Leaf Award of Distinction, Founders Award for Achievement and the Member Award of Excellence.



In order to succeed in this program and receive the Kin Excellence Program, a member must have completed the Maple Leaf Award of Distinction, the Founders Award of Achievement and the Member Award of Excellence in the allotted time.

Here's how to:

The Maple Leaf Award of Distinction (Tier 1: Kin Excellence Program)

Objectives:

- To encourage participation in club activities while becoming familiar with all aspects of the Association
- To stimulate self-development, improve communication and foster leadership skills within the first two (2) years of being a Kin member

Eligibility

- Open to active members
- Members in their first two (2) consecutive years of joining Kin

The Founders Award for Achievement (Tier 2: Kin Excellence Program)

Objective:

- To continue to build upon the objectives of the Maple Leaf of Distinction award for members with more than 24 months of Kin experience

Eligibility

1. Open to members who have been active and active life members for a minimum of two (2) years
2. There is a three-year time limit from the date the member begins the award to achieve the requirements

Member's Award of Excellence (Tier 3: Kin Excellence Program)

Objective:

To continue to build upon the objectives of the Maple Leaf of Distinction Award and the Founders Award for Achievement, the Members Award of Excellence is for members with more than 5 years of Kin experience.

Eligibility:

1. Open to members who have been active members for a minimum of 5 years, to commence after this time frame
2. There is a time limit of any three consecutive years from the date the member enrolls in this award to achieve the requirements.

The affidavits for these awards can be found on the District Website at this link:

<http://www.district1kin.ca/uploads/DistrictTeam/Excellence2017-18.pdf>



FROM THE DESK OF DUSTYN PUMFREY (Club Support Director)

Club Support Director Report

As of our latest reporting in February, District One is down 8 members since July 1st however in the month of February we added 15 new members. Overall numbers are better than last year at this time and we have had several clubs hosting membership drives the past few months and these clubs have been reporting positive results. Look for these numbers to continue to improve in the coming months.

Zone by Zone breakdown!

- A 140 members for a drop of 18
- B 197 members staying even
- C 144 members for an increase of 2
- D 143 members for a drop of 1
- F 199 members for an increase of 12
- G 149 members for an increase of 17
- H 42 members for an increase of 3
- J 145 members for a drop of 3
- K 179 members for a drop of 20

These numbers are the latest stats to the end of February 2018

There are a lot of resources available to help with membership retention and recruitment, with more being developed and released on a regular basis. A great deal of hard work on the part of the national committees is paying off, and the results are starting to be released. Ask your club president and your Deputy Governor about membership planning and the tools that are available to assist clubs with these endeavours.

We must continue to promote the value of Personal, Zone, District, and National awards programs when it comes to membership retention; nominate someone for Kin of the Year, Cystic Fibrosis awards, Service awards. Request the National President's Commendation letter. Promote your club's achievements and successes in your local print and social media. Continue to look for ways your club can "Serve your communities greatest needs" and shout it from the mountaintops how proud you are to be involved in achieving these milestones.

If you have any questions, need any help or ideas, or want some help – contact Dustyn Pumfrey @ lumberjackpet@bellnet.ca

Dustyn thanks you for all you do for your club and your communities.

FROM THE DESK OF BEA
CROWLEY & TIM NATYSHAK
(Cystic Fibrosis / Service
Directors)

Cystic Fibrosis/Service

With March already upon us , Bea and Tim have been and are travelling the district in support of our clubs. We have attended three Cystic Fibrosis zone nights thus far and have more upcoming. (hope to see you join us). It has been our goal to increase awareness among our members and are pleased with the results.

On April 2nd 33 kin and family will be heading to Mazatlan, Mexico for

our annual CF trip which has raised 1650\$ for Cystic Fibrosis Canada. We also have upcoming Port Dover's Friday 13th in April and July. They are always looking for volunteers at this very busy event. Sugar bush in London has their CF weekend on March 17,18, and Paddyfest is happening in Listowel. Many of our clubs need help with their events and would love to see you helping out. This is just a few of the things happening around our district as we as kin are always busy.

We would like to remind our members of the constant need for blood donations, and to register for organ donation. NDoK on February 24 was a successful day and thanks to all who participated. Bursary submissions were due into our clubs on Feb. 1 and we look forward to finding out the results. Thank you Kin for all the service and donations made by our clubs and membership.

With our zone conferences wrapping up we would like to congratulate our newly elected DG's and host clubs on their success. Kin spirit is alive and well in **D1**. Thank you for your hard work and we will see you around the District.

Yours in Kin

Bea & Tim

CF DIRECTORS TIM & BEA – at the London Kinette Christmas Bazaar



CYSTIC FIBROSIS
OCCURS WHEN A
CHILD INHERITS
TWO DEFECTIVE
COPIES OF THE GENE
RESPONSIBLE FOR CF



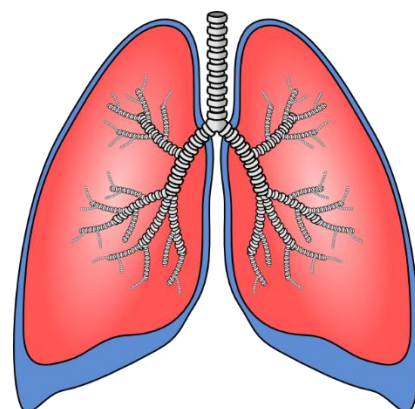
Goderich and Clinton Kinsmen & Kinette Clubs 27th Annual TV Auction. Cystic Fibrosis Set.



WALK TO MAKE CYSTIC FIBROSIS HISTORY MAY 27, 2018

On **Sunday, May 27, 2018**, thousands of participants across Canada will unite at local community walk sites during CF awareness month to celebrate their fundraising efforts, while imagining a world without CF.

Over 10,000 supporters, including volunteers, donors, partners and participants help support Cystic Fibrosis Canada's mission; To end cystic fibrosis (CF). The funds raised at the walk are used to target world-class research and supporting and advocating for high-quality individualized CF care.



FROM THE DESK OF KAREN COUTTS & DARRYL VAN MOORSEL (Vice Governors)

Team Ohana is growing, and getting things in place for our upcoming year. We're super excited about the Deputy Governors who were elected – it's going to be a great year!

Thank you to everyone who welcomed our team to Zone Conferences. We had a great deal of fun learning more about our fellow Kin – who attempts to secure club paraphernalia and blame it on someone else (a recurring event, actually), who gets right into a beach themed conference by shaving their legs, who are we grateful that they did NOT show up to zone conference in what they sleep in, and many more! The many creative fine sessions not only gathered funds, but increased audience participation and side-splitting laughter as well. Well done to all of the host clubs!

Remember that spring convention is coming up, so your club should be discussing the resolutions and how you would like your Accredited Delegate to vote on them. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact us. Having the answers you need sooner will let you make an informed decision.

Political events in the world around us have shown clearly that we are in great need of leaders in our communities – people with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to lead, and more importantly, to lead well. Kin should always be a safe place for someone to stretch their wings and take on new leadership roles in order to grow their skills. As they say in 4-H – Learn to Do by Doing! It's by far the best way to learn. As your club starts the nominating process for next year's executive, we'd like to encourage seasoned members to take on a mentorship role in your club, and for newer members to nudge the edge of their comfort zones out a bit by taking on an executive portfolio.

In the immortal words of Stitch, "Ohana means family. And family means no one gets left behind." Always be aware of your fellow members – whether they're in your club, your zone, or on social media with you. Look out for each other, and be there when someone needs a helping hand, an encouraging word, or even just a hug.

Yours in Kin,

Vice Governors Karen & Dutch



ZONE A



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Zone A DG Spring Report

Well, spring is here and our Clubs are gearing up for our busy season for projects. Since our fall report our clubs have been busy with projects and socials and a few have added a member. Unfortunately we have lost a club in our Zone with the folding of the Ancaster Kin Club.

Many of our clubs have had some successful projects over the past several months. Waterloo Grand River had their booth at the Apple Butter Festival, Preston Kin had their Wish Tree shopping for families in need, Flamborough Kin put on their very

successful breakfast with Santa. Kudos to several of our Zone A clubs who participated in the national Day of Kindness. These are just a few of the many projects that were held by the Zone A clubs. Thanks to all of you for your service to Kin and your community. A big hats off to the KW Kinsmen and Kinettes for pulling off a very successful TV auction, despite the fact of having to change TV providers after decades of partnership with the local CTV affiliate, the switch to Rogers was a success. They have been handed several big changes for this major project over the last few years with this years change being the biggest and they have risen to the occasion with each challenge, kudos!!!

Zone conference, Revenge Of The Nerds, was hosted by the Kin Club of Cambridge Preston and was a great success. Life Member Wendy Kitchen and her team did a fantastic job and we thank them. We passed two major motions this year. The first motion was to amalgamate the operations of Zone A Kinsmen and Kinettes. This motion was passed. The second motion was to change the elections of the Deputy Governors in Zone A as follows, a Deputy Governor to be elected each year to a two year term providing overlap of leadership and two DG's to cover the Zone. The 2018 elections to elect one DG for a one year term and the second for a two year term. This was passed. Congratulations to our Zone award winners: Senior Bulletin Dan Lajoie Kin Club Of Cambridge Preston Junior Bulletin Life Member Ron Couch of the KW Kinsmen and Zone A Rookies of the year Dan and Maggie Lajoie. We elected the one year DG position and a big thank you to DG Melissa Whetham for staying on one more year. The Second DG will be selected by the incoming Governors team.

Clubs are actively preparing for their upcoming spring and summer projects. Preston Kin Carnival, Cystic Fibrosis Service nights, Brantford Kinsmen's Rib Fest, Stoney Creek Kinsmen's booth at the Winona Peach Festival, Waterloo Grand River and Hamilton Kinsmen and the Cystic Fibrosis walks and the list goes on. Be looking for e-mail blast for dates and times of upcoming events and please come down and help or just visit, we love to see our fellow Kin here in Zone A.

DG Melissa and Chris



ZONE B



Hey there,

Well our second round of visits are mostly complete and as always we have had a lot of fun at each club meeting. It is always a great pleasure/inspiration to be out at the clubs and hear what is happening.

Saturday March 17th 2018 marked a sad day in Zone B as we lost a member of the Harriston Kinsmen. Derril Hoover passed away suddenly from a tragic accident. Derril was one of their newer members and I would like to quote one of the members here "Derril was that quiet guy you couldn't help but like. Always there to lend a hand, or an ear and always with a smile on his face."

Zone conference is now complete and I think I can say that everyone had a good time. Our fine session seemed to go over quite well as there were numerous fines issued just to see what sport each member would have to act out. I would like to thank each and every member that came out to support zone conference. I would also like to take this time to thank Wendy Rolfe from District and Darryl Van Moorsel Vice Governor for joining us and presenting.

It was wonderful to have the Drayton Kinsmen step forward to host Zone Conference next year and maybe the changes they are looking to make will mean more members will attend conference next year. Huge congratulations go out to Kim-Marie Lesperance on being the newest elected Zone B Deputy Governor, I know you will rock it.

A few of the events Paul and I have attended in the last couple of months are listed below with pictures.



Lucknow
Kinsmen Donations to Goderich, Owen Sound
and Wingham hospitals as well as Donation to Cystic Fibrosis Canada.



Be the change
you wish
to see in the world.
-Gandhi

Listowel Kinettes Spagehetti Dinner on Family Day



Centre Wellington Kinettes handing out treats for KINDness day



Palmerston Kinettes hosting 1/2 price movie day at Norgan theatre in Palmerston for KINDness day



Monkton Kinsmen club tending bar at Listowel Paddyfest



Listowel Kinettes meeting night with Olympic theme and games



Palmerston Kinettes mystery tour to ONOIR



Trivia night with the Drayton Kinettes, Team KIN
Won 1st place woohooo!



Listowel Kinsmen Vegas Night during Paddyfest



Kinsmen Club of Listowel Paddyfest
presentation to CF



Kinsmen Club of Lucknow & District cheque

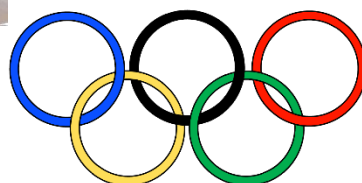


always
BeLieve
that something
Wonderful
is about to happen

Zone Conference fun Theme was "The Olympics"



V Paul's Idea of acting out the "Luge" (below) V



ZONE C



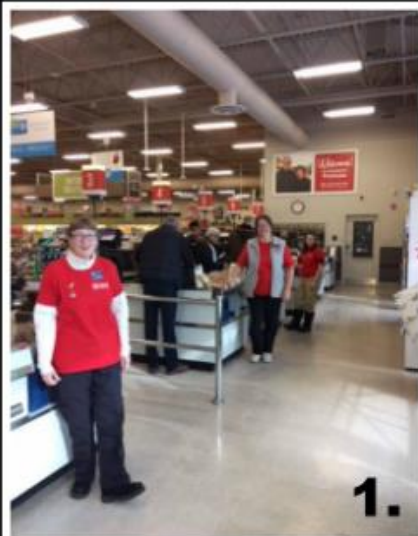


The Kinette Club of Collingwood participated in the 6th Kin Canada's National Day of KINDness on Saturday, February 24th. Members of the club gathered at Collingwood's Town Hall and tied scarves to the flag posts with a note stating that they were free to anyone in need. Then we toured the main street completing random acts of kindness. We handed out packets of hot chocolate; toonies; lottery tickets; chocolates and cookies to many people along the street and visited many businesses to thank them for their continued support.

In the photo from left to right: **Monika McKean, Barb McArthur, Michelle Heyduk, Sarah Leggat, Cindy Harrison-McQueen, Lorelee Fernandes, Cathie Brillinger.**



The Kinette Club of Collingwood have supported the Magic of Children in the Arts for many years, and are pleased to continue their sponsorship of the 24th Annual Magic of Children in the Arts. On Saturday, February 24th Collingwood Kinette President Cathie Brillinger presented their \$250 cheque to Pat McCrindle at the Collingwood Library. Also, in the photo along with the volunteers from Magic of Children are Kinettes Barb McArthur and Monika McKean.



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1. Kinette Club of Beaver Valley NDoK.

2. Kinette Club of Beaver Valley bartending.

3. Kinette Club of Collingwood donation to CIA.



3.



Here is a picture of 3 of our Kinettes on Family Day 2018. We gave out free hot chocolate to over 100 adults and children at our local toboggan hill. We have been doing that for several years now & it is always well received by everyone.

In the picture are left, **Kathy Wilson,** middle, **Jane Young** & right, **Deb Stavinga.**



ZONE D



alone we can do so little;

TOGETHER

we can do

SO MUCH

helen keller



ZONE F



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Zone F Update, Deputy Governors Colleen Wake and John Moes

Zone F is doing great work with lots of activities happening around the zone. We have Port Dover Kinsmen doing Friday the 13th in April, St.

Thomas Kinsmen Craft Beer and Steak night, St. Thomas Kinsmen doing the Annual Easter Eggs hunt and the Elgin-St Thomas Kinettes selling popcorn at it, followed by a Trivia night with the Aylmer Kinsmen, and the Greater London Kinsmen doing the Fanshawe Sugar Bush for March with the help of the London Kinettes. Great job on these events and any upcoming event "Serving the Community's Greatest Need." As well Thank you to all the clubs participating in the National day of KINDness.



Kinsmen Fanshawe Sugar Bush



This year at a successful Zone F Conference hosted by the Tillsonburg Kinettes (Great job Ladies). We were fortunate enough to have lots of invited delegates from District 1 in attendance as well. Thank you to Governor Debbie Flagg, Vice-Governors Karen Coutts and Darryl Van Moorsel, Vice-Governor

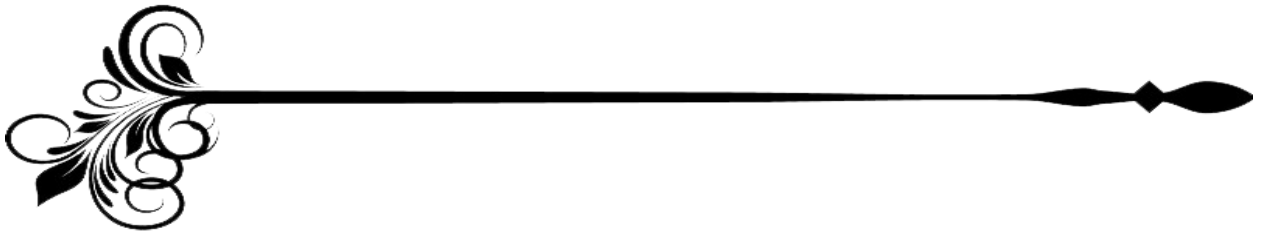


Candidates Francine Burt and Scott Tapley, as well as LM Doug Freeland presenting the spring conference. I would like to also take this opportunity to congratulate Shawn

Holroyd and Christine Heimpel for being elected as the new Zone F Deputy Governors. Thank you to everyone.



This year has been a blast for Colleen and I and we look forward to seeing you all from Zone F and the District at Spring Convention.



Hello fellow Kin!

The Kinsmen Club of Tillsonburg had an extraordinary 2017 season. Our biggest event by far was the unique opportunity in August to host the NHL 100 Fan Arena celebrating the centennial anniversary of the National Hockey League. Over three days, our NHL 100 event included a gala featuring Ron McLean as the guest speaker, the NHL 100 Fan Arena (museum truck, virtual reality zamboni, and outdoor hockey rink), the Stanley Cup, a concert, outdoor movie, fireworks, hockey tournament, vendors, food trucks, and family entertainment! We had 10,000 visitors from Tillsonburg and area come to this amazing festival celebrating hockey. We were able to raise and donate \$50,000 to go towards the JL Scott McLean Outdoor Recreation Pad, a year-round facility to provide recreation for Tillsonburg and area.

The summer of 2017 also featured another big achievement for the Tillsonburg Kinsmen. To celebrate another anniversary, Canada 150, we donated \$50,000 towards the Kinsmen Bandshell in Tillsonburg Memorial Park. The Grand Opening of the bandshell will be celebrated on Friday, June 1st, 2018 with a concert featuring Bobby Wills, The Mudmen, Julia Haggarty, and Small Town Girls. We encourage all music lovers to come out to this event to celebrate this accomplishment with us! Link to the ticket site below.

To add to our crazy busy summer we hosted our annual Men's and Women's golf tournaments at The Bridges of Tillsonburg, which raised over \$15,000 for our club.

In addition to our fundraising efforts, The Tillsonburg Kinsmen were involved in a lot of community events as well. We served pizza lunch at Tillsonburg Family Day, hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Memorial Park, and sponsored the Hockey Circus Show at Tillsonburg Turtlefest. We loved being able to help out where we can and seeing the smiles on everyone's faces!

We recently stepped up our online presence with a revamp of our website and social media pages. This has enabled us to "get the word out" about the Tillsonburg Kinsmen. Through our online presence, fundraising efforts, and community service, we have been steadily growing in membership every year!

We have an exciting year ahead of us highlighted by the aforementioned Kinsmen Bandshell Bash concert, our annual Men's Golf Tournament, and a Wine & Beer Tour of Norfolk County. We look forward to sharing more great news from Tillsonburg in the future!

Yours in Kin,

Michael Nguyen

Kinsmen Club of Tillsonburg (www.tillsonburgkinsmen.com)

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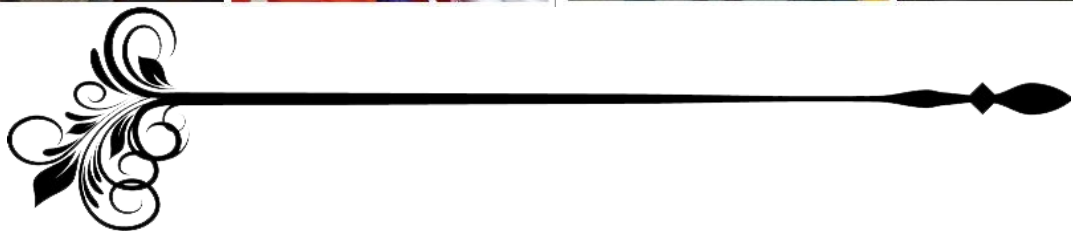
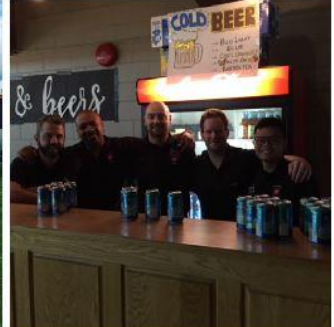
Instagram @tillsonburgkinsmen

Tillsonburg NHL100 Fan Arena (www.tillsonburgfanarena.com)

Kinsmen Bandshell Bash (<https://www.ticketscene.ca/events/20823/>)







Kinette Club of Elgin - St. Thomas CF Night



CF weekend at Fanshawe Sugar Bush.



Kinette Club of London Christmas Bazaar



You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.

- Jane Goodall

ZONE G



Zone G has had a splendid year to say the least! Looking back, we have been very active, and we are only getting busier. Hosting our first CF information night and National president Terri was a great way to show our passion for kin. Currently on our second round of visits Dustyn, Jay, and Tim are thrilled to see the successful year we are all having. Some of the exciting things we are experiencing in zone G are truly remarkable! From the raffles, dinners, concerts and beyond our communities in zone g have benefitted from all our club's hard work.

We have travelled extensively throughout District 1 in our executive positions as CF/Service and Club Support directors. This has given us some great in site as to the health of our zone, and we are proud to say we are a strong healthy group of clubs. We have also travelled to visit our Kin friend in zone H.

With zone conference already upon us our year is winding down and we would like for our members to check our events calendar and support our fellow clubs.

Finally, on behalf of the zone team I would like to close by thanking you for the warm welcomes, meals, drinks and fellowship you have shown us this year. Keep up the fantastic work and we will see you around the District and Zone!

Yours in Kin

Zone G Team
Dustyn, Tim, Jay



Kinsmen Community Services January 24, 2018

to the Community of Wallaceburg

One Million Dollars \$1,000,000.00

Serving the Community's Greatest Needs Since 1932



Kinsmen Club of Wallaceburg \$1,000,000.00 night.
Celebrating one million raised for their community through the club owned bingo facility.



Every Accomplishment starts with the decision to try.

National President Tour of Zone G



Kinsmen Club of Dresden

1. Cheque presentation to local school breakfast program.
2. Wing nite Mar 10.
3. NDoK cheque presentation to the local food bank.

Kinsmen Club of Tilbury & District handing out flowers for National Day of Kindness



Presented by Governor Debbie Flagg, Kin Shawn Leslie received his GEM Award @ zone G conference

Kinsmen Club of Dover Meeting & Installations



"creativity is experimenting, growing, taking risks, breaking rules, making mistakes, and having fun"

Kinsmen Club of Dresden candy bagging for Santa.





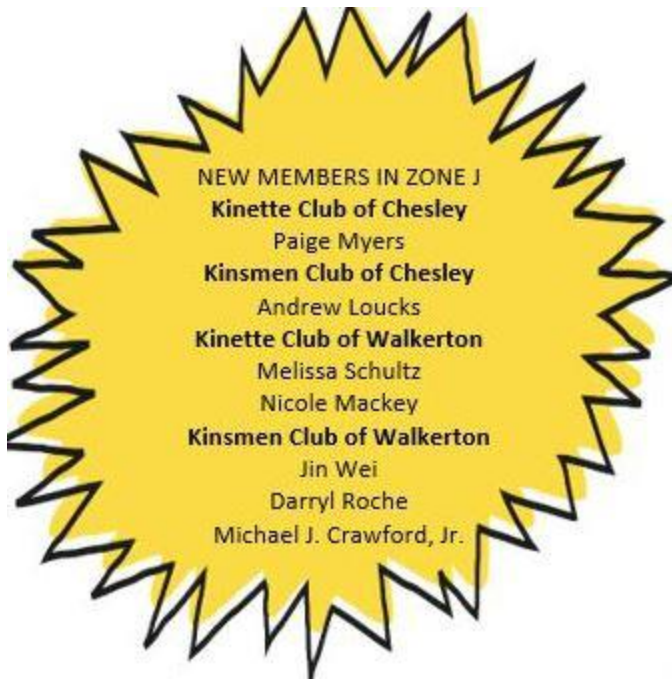
ZONE H



Lasalle Kin



ZONE J



Saugeen Shores Kin receiving their
“milk to Britain” plaque and DVD



ZONE K

WOW! I am really surprised how fast this term as Deputy Governor year has gone. It seems like yesterday we were at Hensall Zone K Kinette Conference and I was a Kin Headquarters taking the second step a District Leadership Seminar (DLS) with my fellow Deputy Governors, Governor Deb and the Back To Basics Executive. That was the moment I realized I am doing this. After some people saying you will never be able to do this. I found myself right in the middle of the thick of things and I was the most gratifying feeling. Some of you have probably seen me write



Anything Is Possible!



and it is.

All this side, It's been a fast tracked learning experience that started at last years Zone Conference in Hensall. I was wanting to learn and contribute to Kin that the three home clubs could not teach me.

My goal this year was to get too know Zone K Kinettes and Kinsmen and how Zone K worked. To my surprise it is nothing compared to Zone B where I started my Kin career. Not that is was every a bad thing, I had to learn a whole new routine. Whether you have 12 clubs or 5, I think we are all doing the same thing. Being their for all the clubs, helping when needed and suggesting when you think it is needed. All around being a leader, mentor and advocate!

This year has been a true learning experience. Yes, I have made mistakes but no one is perfect.

I want to thank my home club, the Mitchell & District Kinettes Club for believing in me and encouraging me to take on this prestige position. I also want to thank all the clubs and the Presidents for not being too annoyed with all emails and phone calls but Zone K Kinettes Rock!

I am pleased with what I have done so far in my first year of Deputy Governor; learned so much that Deputy Governor training does not teach if something out of our control should happen.

Thank you Zone K Kinettes for having faith in me!

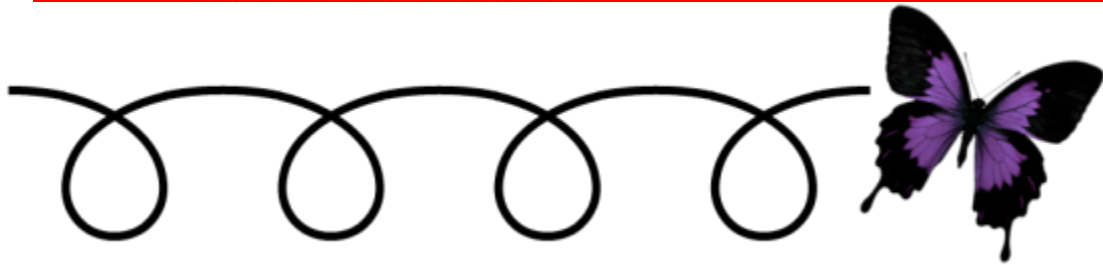
Yours In Kin, Melissa Penner
Zone K Kinette DG



1. Thank you Zone K Goderich & District Kinettes for hosting Life's a Beach and a very amazing Zone K Kinette Conference. It was beautiful done the food was great.
2. Zone K Kinette DG elect Tena Mash
3. Always a pleasure to see this happy bunch!
4. Zone K DG! I had an amazing year working with you DG Mat Lobb. You are a real inspiration. Good luck as we move forward!
5. Zone K Kinsmen DG Elect Mike Austin



Founders Day Supper Meeting! The Mitchell & District Kinettes Club and one guest.



Hello District one and welcome back to Kinship one. There has been lots on the go in Zone K since the Christmas report and All the Clubs have been very busy. So here is what the Clubs have been up to and What they have planned next.

Goderich:

In February we hosted our Founders Night Meeting and included the Goderich Kinettes. In early March we hosted the 27th Annual Kinsmen TV Auction in conjunction with the Clinton Kinsmen, Clinton Kinettes and Goderich Kinettes. Close to 900 items were donated for auctioning this year. This event was held over the course of an entire weekend with the live auction part taking place on the Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Saturday night culminating with item pick up on Sunday afternoon.

For 2018 we have made financial commitments to the Ag Park Revitalization Project. We have also initiated new financial support for a transportation program to larger medical centres for patient treatment as well as financial support to Mental Health Awareness Week for high school students. Our club continues to support local youth sports like minor hockey, baseball, ringette, soccer and our local cadet troop. Again in 2018 we are support for the local blood donor clinics, Big Brothers and Sisters, and the local hospital.

Easter weekend we have our Annual Easter Egg Hunt on the Square in Goderich. More than 10,000 eggs will be strategically placed out for this event.

We will be having a Past Presidents Night on April 30th and hopefully a Mystery Tour before the end of May.

In July (12th, 13th and 14th) we will be hosting our annual Summerfest which this year will include three nights of live entertainment on the Square with our refreshment tent, a Coed Slowpitch Tournament, a youth 3 on 3 basketball tournament on the Square, and hopefully a midway (still being negotiated).

In August (10th and 11th) we will be having our annual Kinsmen Campout at Shelter Valley Campground which may include a fish fry again this year and a "Holey Board Tournament".

President Doug Cruickshank

St. Marys:

Over the winter the St. Marys Kinsmen participated in the Salvation Army kettle, operated our annual fruit sale which was well received by the community, and have begun work on our firewood sales project. The men have been out in the bush cutting trees to stock up for the summer season, and a wood splitting/bagging event has been scheduled for late March. We are beginning work on our annual Summerfest event which includes a midway and a beer tent with nightly music acts. Town council has given their approval, and planning is well underway.

The club is working with the Town to expand lighting along the Grand Trunk Trail, and restore the entrance pillars at Milt Dunnel Fields which have deteriorated.

Our club has recently welcomed 4 new members, with one prospective member at this time.

Thanks,

President Ryan Hacking

Stratford:

- Silver stick tournament Dec. 28, 29, 2017 Concession Booth.
- Our Clubs CF Auction night Jan 11 all proceeds went to Brandi Lee re double lung transplant.
- Participated in the annual Chilli-fest for Heart and Stroke in February 3rd, 2018.
- Cystic Fibrosis Night at Allman Arena in March 23, 2018. All proceeds from concession booth for the evening goes to Cystic Fibrosis. Last year over \$1000 was raised on this evening.
- Volunteering at Cystic Fibrosis Walk in May
- Running the bar at The Annual Stratford Ribs and Blues Festival June 22-24.
- Car Show in June 24 (7am - 3pm)
- Co-ordinate and run Canada Day Parade and Fireworks July 1.

President Barry France

Hensall

We had our Steak and Stag in November. Even though the turnout was down this year we still had a good profit. Our wing night in February had numbers and Profits up.

No change to our membership, we have maintained the same number of members.

Projects we are currently working on is a ball tournament in June and two different projects with Bluewater on community improvement.

Several buck and Does and weddings are scheduled for us to Bartend for the summer months and Our fire wood sales from last year are at \$4500.00.

So over all the club our club is doing good, and our projects are coming along great.

Thank you,
President John Hill.

Clinton:

We have been very Busy since Christmas with our main focus being the TV Auction we do in conjunction with the Goderich Kinsmen. With close to 900 items up for Auction the weekend was a success. The Club recently took part in a social night out and took part in some friendly competition. For a second year in a row we spent the night throwing Axes at BATL in London. Good Kin Steve P was our champion of the night. Our Easter Egg hunt was a huge success with many youngsters out to see the Easter bunny and purchase some yummy treats from The Kinettes.

Our next big project of Focus will be our weekend in July. Details still to come.

Thank you everyone.

President Greg McCullough.

Zone K Conference:

The Conference this year was held in Goderich on March 25th. The theme was Olympics. The morning went by fantastic with lots of fellowship. We accomplished a lot on the agenda and made sure we had lots of fun in the Process. Kudos to President Barry France from Stratford as winner of the Speak off, Cody Lobb of Clinton for the Joke off, and last but not least Mike Austin as DG elect for 2018-2019.

You will do a fantastic Job my friend,
and on Behalf of Zone K
Congratulations.

Thank you,

Mathew Lobb

Deputy Governor Zone K.

**St Mary's Kinsmen installations with
DG Matt Lobb**





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Congratulations!

A sincere KIN-grats and huge welcome to all the DG-elects. Welcome!

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Zone C - [Kim Dadswell](#) & [Bill Roskar](#)

Zone D - [Courtney Lee](#)

Zone F - [Shawn Holroyd](#) & [Christine Heimpel](#)

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Francine Burt and Scott Tapley

Happy 2018 Zone Conference!

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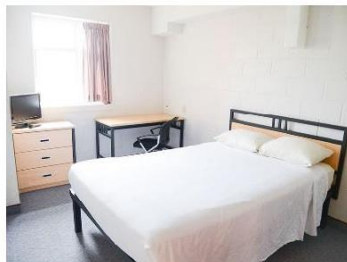
Includes coffee & tea service with assortment of fruit, free parking & internet access.

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Kinship One
District 1:

This years National KinVention 2018 is being held in your District 1, SARNIA, ONTARIO, August 15, 16, 17, & 18th.

The location is close to most District 1 clubs, perhaps within 3.5 hrs maximum driving distance. Listowel (2.5 hrs), Hamilton (2.5 hrs).

The host Holiday Inn is a great venue. Rooms are the best rate yet, this special Kinrate is extended before or after convention dates, should you wish to visit Ontario's Blue Coast longer.

There are many vacation sites to visit close by, the Casino, (1km) on the river St. Clair, under the Blue Water Bridge with 3 food trucks (1.2 km), the local Ontario visitors' bureau (.2km) Centennial Park and Gardens waterfront (1 km) or the downtown LCBO store (2.2km). Also, there is an OnSite par 3 golf course featuring \$10.00 9 holes. Full details are on the registration forms with event details, full costs and relevant KinVention items to be published soon and in the next issue of Kinship One.

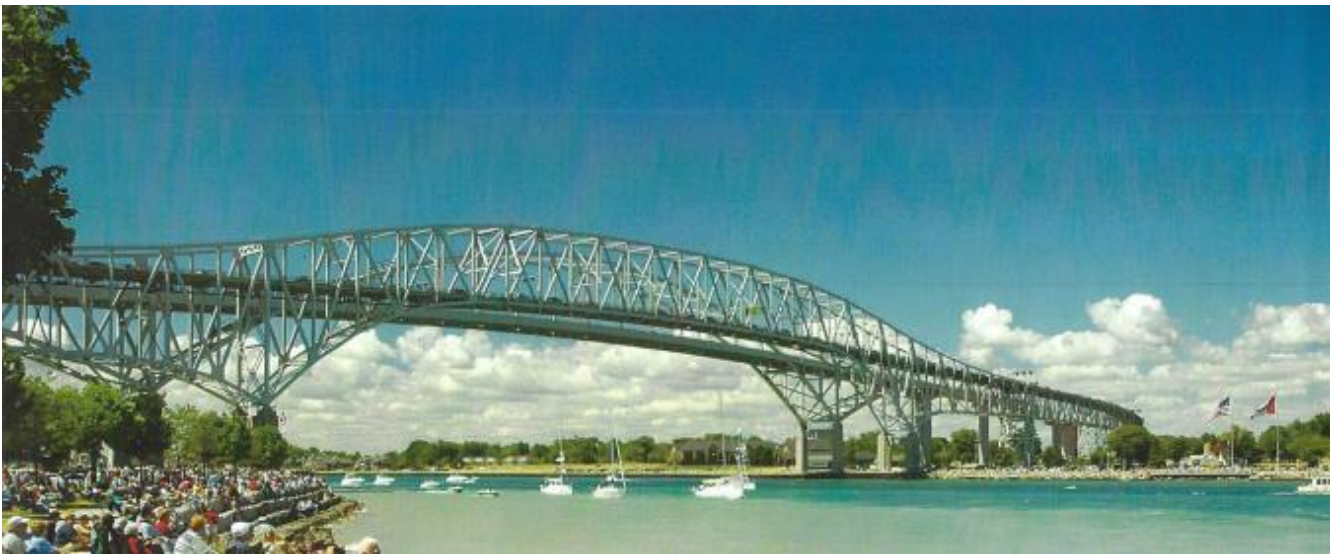
There have been enquires for the camping, especially from the District 1 Kin. There are 3 campgrounds within about a 30 min drive from the Holiday Inn.

District 1 Kin, this is excellent chance to attend a Kin National, close by, excellent venue and at reasonable rates.

Yours in Kin,

Sarnia Kinsmen Club









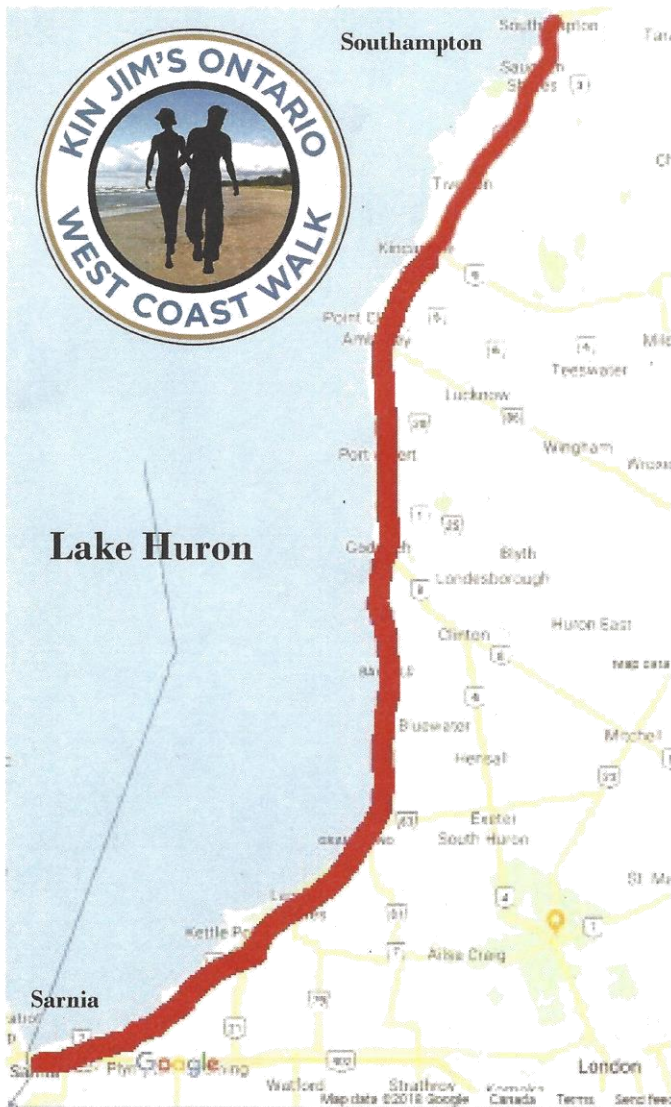
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- i. CF - Cystic Fibrosis Canada
- ii. Kin Canada Foundation
- iii. Headwaters Health Care Foundation

*Jim Eberly, an Orangeville Kin member
intends to do an anniversary,
fundraising walk
to the Kin National Convention
in Sarnia Ontario.*

*This walk will begin in Southampton,
take place in August,
cover 230 kilometers
and solicit donations for Cystic Fibrosis,
Headwaters Health Care Hospital,
and the Kin Canada Foundation.*



*Come out and walk with Kin Jim
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Aug 4 - Aug. 15, 2018*

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SAUGEEN SHORES TO SARNIA

THIS AUGUST, KIN JIM EBERLY & PATRICK LESSARD WILL WALK TO OUR NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SARNIA FROM SOUTHAMPTON. CAA INDICATES IT IS A JOURNEY OF 140 MILES AND NEARLY 3 HOURS OF TRAVELLING TIME BY CAR. THIS TIME ESTIMATE IS CALCULATED BASED UPON POSTED SPEED LIMITS. MOST OF THE ROUTE FOLLOWS THE COAST OF LAKE HURON BY HIGHWAY 21 & THIS AREA IS, IN FACT, ONTARIO'S WEST COAST.

I'M CONFIDENT THE DISTANCE CALCULATION IS ACCURATE, HOWEVER, THE TRAVELLING TIME REQUIRED, IF ONE WALKS, IS SEVEN (20 MILE) DAYS, NOT THREE HOURS!

PATRICK IS SPENDING HIS TWO WEEK VACATION AT KIN JIM & HIS WIFE MAUREEN'S COTTAGE IN PORT ELGIN AS THEIR GUEST. HIS VACATION WILL CONCLUDE IN SARNIA WHERE ALL 3 WILL ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONVENTION. PATRICK IS A TIMMINS ONTARIO KINSMAN AND A GOLD MINER BY PROFESSION. HE IS 32 YEARS OF AGE, HAS CYSTIC FIBROSIS, AND THE RECIPIENT OF TWO (2) DOUBLE LUNG TRANSPLANTS!

KIN JIM, THE INCOMING PRESIDENT OF THE ORANGEVILLE KIN CLUB, IS 69 YEARS OF AGE AND ON CONSTANT HOLIDAY. HE UNDERWENT EMERGENCY SURGERY FOR A PERFORATED BOWEL IN JUNE, 2017. SINCE JULY, JIM HAS BEEN WALKING THE RURAL ROADSIDE'S, COLLECTING BEER CANS & LIQUOR BOTTLES TO FUND WHAT IS NOW CALLED 'KIN JIM'S ONTARIO WEST COAST WALK.' TO DATE OVER 5,000 BEER & LIQUOR CONTAINERS HAVE BEEN HARVESTED RAISING \$ 500.00 FOR THE PROJECT.

ORIGINALLY THE WALK WAS PRESENTED TO DISTRICT 8 KIN MEMBERS, AT THE FALL LEADERSHIP IN SUTTON, AS A KIN CLUB OF ORANGEVILLE PROJECT NAMED PARTNERS WALK. THIS PROJECT HAS EVOLVED INTO A KIN CANADA FOUNDATION PARTNERS PROJECT & RENAMED 'KIN JIM'S ONTARIO WEST COAST WALK.' MORE SIGNIFICANTLY, ALL DONATIONS OF \$ 20.00 AND OVER QUALIFY FOR A CHARITABLE TAX RECEIPT.

THE PROJECT'S GOAL IS THREEFOLD: IT CELEBRATES SIXTY (60) YEARS OF KIN SERVICE TO THE ORANGEVILLE COMMUNITY; IT RAISES AWARENESS OF THE KIN CANADA SERVICE ORGANIZATION AND CYSTIC FIBROSIS; AND RAISES FUNDS FOR THREE CAUSES WHICH ARE THE BENEFICIARIES OF THIS WALK : CYSTIC FIBROSIS CANADA, THE KIN CANADA FOUNDATION & HEADWATERS HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION.

PATRICK & JIM WILL BE WALKING SEVEN (7) MARATHONS BETWEEN SOUTHAMPTON & SARNIA OVER AN ELEVEN (11) DAY TIME SPAN, HOWEVER, THEY WILL NOT BE RUNNING. RUNNERS WHO COVER THIS DISTANCE ARE MERELY A FASTER BREED OF CRAZY!

KIN JIM HAS COVERED THIS DISTANCE BEFORE. IN 1994, HE WALKED NEARLY 500 MILES BETWEEN BOLTON & TIMMINS (*TREK TO TIMMINS*) AND IN 1995, HE WALKED ANOTHER 100 PLUS MILES BETWEEN BEAVERTON & HAMILTON (*HIKE TO HAMILTON*), THE SITE OF OUR 75th NATIONAL CONVENTION. THE COMBINATION OF TRAUMA FROM MAJOR SURGERY AND THE MOTIVATIONAL EFFECTS OF MORPHINE COMBINED WITH THE FACT THAT THIS YEARS NATIONAL CONVENTION IS IN ONTARIO INSPIRED KIN JIM'S THIRD WALK - A FULL 22 YEARS AFTER THE SECOND!

NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT ERIN THOMPSON IS A TIMMINS KINETTE AND KIN JIM HAS BEEN AN HONOURARY TIMMINS KINETTE FOR 23 YEARS. HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ERIN'S YEAR AS NATIONAL PRESIDENT RECORD BREAKING IN TERMS OF MONIES RAISED FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS, OUR NATIONAL CHARITABLE CAUSE. PLEASE EMBRACE & PARTICIPATE IN PATRICK AND JIMS FUNDRAISING EFFORTS!

I WILL END WITH A LIST OF INGREDIENTS FROM A KINETTE CLUB OF AJAX COOKBOOK, PURCHASED BY MY WIFE, AT OUR 75th NATIONAL CONVENTION IN 1995: IT IS A RECIPE FOR `` TRIUMPH. `` TO PREPARE FOR AND COOK `` KIN `` TRIUMPH ONE SIMPLY NEEDS TO ADD `` UMPH `` TO `` TRY `` !