



ZONE C CLUB CONNECTION

WINTER EDITION 2010

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

Zone C is always a zone that gets into the Christmas spirit early; I think that's because we tend to be the first zone that gets hit with that lovely white stuff, SNOW. Wasn't that an impressive welcome for the District One Delegates to come to FLC in Collingwood through a blizzard? They can't say we don't know how to entertain up here in the great white north!!

With the Christmas season also comes all of the festive season details. Many clubs have special meetings to celebrate the season; some clubs have certain fundraisers in anticipation of the season and then again, there are clubs that take this time to sit back and enjoy what the season has to offer. Whatever your club is doing, your zone team wishes you all the best through this hectic yet memorable time of year.

2011 promises to be full of excitement and renewed enthusiasm on many levels. As we head into the New Year, take some time to think about your participation in your club and zone; how you could contribute MORE to your club and zone, and what may interest you in stepping outside of the "box" and seeing what Kin can offer you. There's a great big Kin world out there, of which we are but tiny pieces; take a bite, you'll like what you get!

*"The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short;
but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark."*

Michelangelo Buonarroti, 1475-1564

Six Secrets to Creating Enthusiasm

"Life itself is the proper binge."

Julia Child

1. **Read** inspiring poetry, autobiographies and self-help books, especially when you wake up in the morning for at least 5-15 minutes. News: only once a day, preferably in written, rather than visual form.
2. **Listen** to music that moves you and makes you feel energized and passionate.
3. **Act enthusiastically!** Think, talk, feel, and act with excitement. Visualize yourself doing something with **enthusiasm**. —**"I am full of enthusiasm! I feel fantastic!"**
4. **Move your body.** Do something to create more energy in your body. Walk, dance, sing, workout, swing on a swing set, jump up and down 10x, kick up your heels.
5. **Spend time** with enthusiastic adults and children. Encourage those around you to share what's exciting or good in their lives. Don't get caught in —Ain't it awful."
6. **Seek out** experiences that create —**The "Ohhh! Effect"** in you



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CLUB PRESIDENT REMINDERS

Because we're ALL busy this time of year, here are some items to consider:

- Have you decided what kind of membership seminar your club requires this year? National would like every club to be visited with a membership seminar, so take some time and call Membership Director Barb and discuss your options.
- Double-check the membership status list that was recently sent to your club in the National mailing. Making sure your members have the correct information at National, will ensure they receive Kin Mag and Kinship One.
- Where are you with awards? Have you looked at the opportunities for your club members and you as a President? Ask someone to take charge of reviewing the awards that are available and make sure that you submit at both Zone and District level. There is nothing more satisfying than receiving recognition for your efforts.
- How many socials have you had this year? Plan one and have some fun!
- Have you travelled to another club yet this year? What a great opportunity to meet and learn from fellow Kin. Plan a visit today! The "Taste of the Zone" travelling basket is currently in Meaford (as of this writing), so if you'd like the Meaford ladies to come for a visit, drop them a note and get 'er movin'.
- Zone Conference will be upon us soon. Have you thought about holding the annual Zone meeting for next year? Talk amongst your club members and see if it's something you'd like to do. Plan a presentation, skit, speech and win us all over in Wasaga Beach.

Zone C is on the web!

Look for our webpage at:

<http://www.district1kin.ca/index.php/ZoneC/Index>

Follow us as well on Facebook

Please submit information to be posted to your clubs' web page on the District1kin website to DG Monika. This is a great opportunity to advertise your club .. USE IT!!!

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MOVE THE "TASTE OF THE ZONE" BASKET

Ladies .. what a great opportunity to visit your sister Kinettes in Zone C .. grab the Taste of the Zone basket and get out on the road.

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Juicy Bits of Trivia

Top ten Christmas songs

Ranked by Song with Artist

1. **White Christmas** - Bing Crosby
2. **The Chipmunk Song** - The Chipmunks
3. **Rudolph, The Red Nosed Reindeer** - Gene Autry
4. **I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus** - Jimmy Boyd
5. **Jingle Bell Rock** - Bobby Helms
6. **The Christmas Song** - Nat King Cole
7. **Snoopy's Christmas** - The Royal Guardsmen
8. **Here Comes Santa Claus** - Gene Autry
9. **Little Drummer Boy** - Harry Simeone Chorale
10. **Donde Esta Santa Claus** - Augie Rios



*Gather up your club members and hit the streets
for a good old caroling session!*



EXTRA EXTRA ..

READ ALL ABOUT IT ..

This just in...Hot Off the Presses! We've just been informed that our very own District CF / Service Director Life Member Brenda Dineen aka OB has been elected to the distinguished position of KIN/CF Liason for the Kin years of 2011-2013. Life Member Brenda will be responsible among other things for co-ordinating Kin's fundraising for Cystic Fibrosis for all 8 districts in Kin Canada. **WOOT WOOT ..** Kingratulations Brenda! We know you will represent BOTH Kin and the CF Foundation in an exemplary fashion for your term!!

FLC GRACELAND NORTH 2010 –

Opening ceremonies, Friday November 5th, 2010



Kingratulations to the Kinetite Club of Collingwood for an outstanding Fall Leadership Conference. Thank you to the Zone members who supported the event.

PORTRAITS OF HONOUR

The Portraits of Honour National Tour will provide Canadians from coast to coast with an opportunity to honour and celebrate our Canadian soldiers, pay respect to those who've made the ultimate sacrifice and to recognize the challenges that face those who will return home with lasting physical or emotional injuries.



Please take the time to visit the official website at:

<http://www.portraitsofhonour.com/index.cfm?page=mural>

Consider supporting the Portraits of Honour through a donation to assist Dave in his quest. Official "gear" can be ordered as well, with the proceeds going to the project. If your club would like to take a trip to National Headquarters to see the Portrait, you will be taken aback by the magnitude and emotion of this project. At minimum, please take 10 minutes to view the video at the above website. You will be moved.

"There are two kinds of people, those who do the work and those who take the credit. Try to be in the first group; there is less competition there."

Indira Gandhi



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Out and About in Zone C

Greetings from the **Wasaga Beach Kinette Club**

We have had a very busy fall. We provided lunch for the Veterans and people who attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony. The day was lovely and we had a large crowd. Had me thinking of the parable "Fishes and Loaves" as they marched in but we managed to feed them all.

Next up was our major fund raiser "Our Christmas House Tour" Again the weather co-operated and we had a sell out. Kudos' to the whole club for working as a team and making this event possible and also a big hand to Chairperson Erma for her months of hard work organizing, finding homes and making this fund raiser such a success. One nice thing to come from the tour is we have 7 perspective girls interested in Kinettes. :-) Now comes the fun part deciding where to spend the money in our Town. We have provided lights to the tennis courts, bleachers at the sport park, planted trees, fixed up island in front of the Rec-Plex with help from our Kinsmen Club, etc.

We had an interesting November General. We had our meeting at the Collingwood Hospital and then had a tour. Supper was delicious and the tour was very informative. It was nice to be in the hospital with no "stress". This upcoming Sunday we have been asked to cater the Mayors' Reception. Again we are called to work as a team to make this a success and a fun day; a nice way to start the Christmas Season.

We are hosting Zone Conference in March so look forward to seeing some of you then.

Again, Merry Christmas and all the best in 2011 from the Wasaga Beach Kinette Club.

Jane Young, President

Zone C CF / Service Update ..

Lisa Burechails

Well - did you see it coming? We all knew it would be here soon. Of course, I am talking about the snow, and more snow and more snow. I can't even get to my hot tub - there is a 12 foot snow drift there! Hopefully Cameron will have it shovelled out by tonight, so I can soak my precious tootsies!

By now Clubs should be in full swing and enjoying another Kin Year. I haven't been able to get to all the Clubs - will do in the New Year. For those that I have visited, I hope you are collecting lots and lots of dimes! Go Zone C! And don't forget to keep track of any service projects and submit for awards. We have our very own DG Monika who sits on the National Awards Committee - what a resource for all our Clubs.

From my family and Kinette Club to yours, all the best over the holiday season, and I look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.

Zone C Membership Update ..

Barb McArthur

As at November 30th, 2010, Kin Canada has total members of 6,940 and a total of 503 clubs.

Our Zone C Kinettes are 73 members strong. We have one new member, Darlene MacNeill added to our Wasaga Beach club. Welcome Darlene!

As we would like to grow the number of members within our Zone, District and National, please consider having a membership night for your club. Talk up Kin to your family, friends, co-workers and acquaintances and don't be afraid to ask them to a Kin function. Introduce them to different aspects of Kin – meetings; socials; projects; work parties and just having FUN!



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Also, consider having a New Member's Seminar within your club to review Kin education for the new members. Invite all members to attend, as our seasoned members can continue to learn as well.

Keep up the good work, and let's continue to Grow, Learn, Have Fun and Make Friends!

Zone C Awards Update ..

Barb McArthur

It is the most busy time of the year, shopping to be completed, presents to be wrapped and goodies to be made. Saying that, I would like to take a few minutes for you to start thinking about the New Year. Our Zone Conference will be here before we know, so let's start working on those zone award submissions.

- 1) **Bulletin** – please forward a copy of your bulletin on a monthly basis to myself or DG Monika.
- 2) **Speak Off** – as you are thinking about a topic for your speech, we would like to remind you that there have been some changes to the National Speak Off competition, and your speech should fall within those guidelines. The topic should be related to Kin and the length of the speech has been reduced to 7 minutes.
- 3) **Joke Off** – if you hear any jokes over the next couple of months, remember them and enter this competition at Zone Conference.
- 4) **Service Award** – review your projects and the guidelines for the submission, and take some time to submit for this award.
- 5) **Kevin Denbok Cystic Fibrosis Awareness** – all clubs are constantly making their

community more aware of the fight against CF, put your successes into a submission.

Your DG must be in receipt of your Service Award submission; Kevin Denbok Cystic Fibrosis Awareness submission and your bulletins at least 30 days prior to Zone Conference.

At the same time, please consider submitting for some of the District Awards including Kinette Myrtle Wilson Memorial Service Award; Kinette Quill Award and the Kinette District Public Relations Award. These awards have a deadline of April 15th.

PLEASE NOTE:

There have been many changes to the National Awards program, and we would ask that you review prior to submitting.





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YUMMMMMMMMMMY ...

Submitted my National Director Arlene Gray

Glazed Chai Shortbread Cookies

Yields: 6 dozen

Cookie

1 cup butter, softened

1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice

2 teaspoons ground ginger

1/2 teaspoon ground allspice

1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom

1/4 teaspoon salt

Glaze

1 cup powdered sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla

1 to 2 teaspoons water

Decorations

Decorator sugar, if desired

Combine butter, brown sugar and 1 teaspoon vanilla in large bowl; beat at medium speed, scraping bowl often, until creamy. Reduce speed to low; add all remaining cookie ingredients. Beat until mixture forms a dough.

Divide dough into thirds. Shape each third into 6x1 1/2-inch square log. Wrap each in plastic food

wrap; refrigerate until firm (at least 1 hour).

Heat oven to 375°F. Cut logs into 1/4-inch slices with sharp knife; place 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake for 8 to 11 minutes or until lightly browned on edges. Cool 5 minutes on cookie sheets; remove to wire cooling rack. Cool completely.

Combine powdered sugar and 2 teaspoons vanilla in small bowl; stir in enough water for desired drizzling consistency. Drizzle glaze over cooled cookies; let stand until glaze is set. Sprinkle with decorator sugar, if desired.

Long Range Ontario Forecast –

Farmers' Almanac

December 2010

8th-11th. Partly cloudy.

12th-15th. Stormy weather.

16th-19th. Turning colder.

20th-23rd. Some snow sweeps eastward.

24th-27th. Freezing rain and ice for the Christmas, Boxing Day holidays.

28th-31st. Unsettled conditions move in from the west.

January 2011

1st-3rd. Fair, followed by increasingly cloudy skies.

4th-7th. Stormy, with periods of snow spreading in from the west.

8th-11th. Fair and colder.

12th-15th. Unsettled across the Great Lakes, with chilly winds.

16th-19th. Snowstorm.

20th-23rd. Storm exits to the east, followed by clearing skies.

24th-27th. Another round of snow.

28th-31st. Generally fair.

February 2011

1st-3rd. Very unsettled weather sweeps through the Great Lakes.

Let's see how this pans out ☺