

### Trivia King and Queen in London, Ontario?

Both the London kin clubs united forces to host a Medieval Trivia event on October 26, 2019.

It was during the Kinette's planning meeting that this new project was introduced. A chair, Kin Andrea Pumfrey- a newly transferred in member who introduced this idea and had been involved hosting one, along with current President Kin Bea Crowley jumped in to get the new project off the ground. The excitement was evident from the beginning as 4 Trivia events were placed on the Kinette's project list.

Meanwhile, at the Kinsmen planning meeting, another event was being investigated; Honouring Kin Dave Crowley with a life membership. It only took 1 ask, for both clubs to realize that the couple that is "joined at the hip" should be granted their Life Memberships on the same night. And so, the wheels were set in motion. Code name: Model T. Kin Dave C. owns a Model A (you have to ask the Kinsmen about this).

President Kin Bea was eager to develop the Trivia event to see funds raised for Kin Canada and one of her family's charities, Cystic Fibrosis. Elements of purchasing silverware and hosting a raffle were added. Fun was to be a big factor and Kin Bea was determined to have that in her club and projects this Kin Year. It was President Kin Bea's idea to have the Medieval theme and to invite the men to help. Of course, knowing her loving husband would be right beside her- now as a committee member with President Kin Russ Howe.

The start of a new Kin year as president and planning a 1<sup>st</sup> time new project kept them both pre-occupied. To add to the distractions, they headed to Ireland in September for 3 weeks. The Life Membership committee took advantage of those 3 weeks while the guests of honour were out of the country. Good Life Member Kin Carol Cooper took care of the invitations before heading to Ireland and upon her return.

The day had arrived. Kin President Bea, President Russ, Dave, Art, James, Cheryl, Carol, and Darrell assembled at the hall to create table center pieces, decorate and arrange the tables. We worked like a well-oiled machine and soon all we could do was done. Complications that arose from miscommunication were solved. The outside "welcome" wooden sign was standing firm and we all went home for a few hours. Kin Dave went on a shopping mission with Kin James to help keep him busy.

The excitement was evident as guests arrived well before the doors were to open. Many if not two thirds were in costumes. It was a talkative group. Kin Dave wondered with guest Mike B- on how many District Kin were present. While waiting for the surprise/family guests to arrive- Good Kin Dave kept going outside to look for a friend who he given poor directions to- to appear. Making it difficult for the surprise guests to sneak in. Kin Andrea welcome all and began the 1<sup>st</sup> round of trivia questions. After all, co-chair Kin Bea was looking forward to a successful Trivia event.



From there instructions were shared for the dinner: purchase of silverware and mugs raised funds for Cystic Fibrosis. With guest seated a King and Queen for the evening was “drawn” from the treasure chest. Guess who won? King Kin Dave and Queen Kin Bea. They were asked to sit at the head of the room. With grace said Kin Andrea asked the crowd, “Who is District 1 most resent Life Member?” Kin Bea and Dave wondered why is she asking that and how are we to know. The crowd replies: Kin Dave and Bea Crowley.



Kin Bea appeared to say, No way. Her and Dave’s disbelief showed in their expressions letting our two clubs know “we did it” Surprised Kin Dave Crowley. The farmer, Electrician who seems to know and have a connection with the whole world around him was surprised! London Cystic Fibrosis chapter representatives, Heather Coghill and Patricia McLaughin spoke of the Chapter’s growth with Kin Bea and Dave apart of them.



After dinner the rest of the Life Membership ceremony took place. District Governor Kin Francine and Tim along with past District Governor Kin Darryl presented the plaques. Most recent Life Members in the host clubs presented their new Life Member badges and their sponsors, Kin Darrel and Carol Cooper pinned them. We were honoured with the variety of District 1 guests and Cystic Fibrosis chapter members as well as family and friends who were in attendance. Together Life Members Kin Bea and Dave Crowley were truly surprised, appreciate honour and pleased with amount of the funds raised for Cystic Fibrosis at their Life Membership event. The London Kin clubs also thank all of you and our members for helping us by working behind the scenes and keep this secret and traveling to join us on this occasion. A successful event in many ways

Well now, Trivia King and Queen? With this the 1<sup>st</sup> London Kinette Trivia event becoming a joint Kin Life Membership celebration, we will have to host another Trivia event. District 1 Kin helped up raise \$556 for Cystic Fibrosis this time. Just imagine how well we will do with some general public mixed in? and in a city with a research hospital and Cystic Fibrosis Chapter?



A Few Crowleys



Kin Cin S, Carmen D with Kin Kid Anne Smiejia, and Kin Spouse Garry D.



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