

Happy Holidays Zone F Clubs and Members

The leaves have changed and fallen, winter has already announced its arrival with the first snowfall, and in a few short days we will collectively gather at Cenotaphs around the country to remember those who have served and still continue to serve. Their sacrifice has given us the freedom to enjoy the lives we choose including our ability to be part of our great association. It's always appropriate at Remembrance to reflect on the humble beginnings of our own association. A men's club of ex-service men, founded on fellowship but completed when they added the purpose of service work. Founder Hal likely had no idea of how that little band of veterans would shape the Canadian cultural landscape in the years to follow. So on the 11th, whether you are at a Cenotaph, enjoying a family activity or perhaps at a KIN event, we hope you take the opportunity to observe the two minutes of silence and remember all who answered the call and how one continued to serve upon his return to Canada.

It is also at this point in the season where we can sit back and first reflect on how our own KIN year is shaping up. We get to look at the successes of the projects we've completed thus far and contemplate the projects that we have in the coming days. We know how busy the clubs will be as we move toward the Holiday Season. It seems that KIN has become synomous with Christmas, our clubs are involved with Santa Claus Parades, Senior's Christmas events as well as toy drives. Enjoy all the holiday season brings to both your club and your family, often these Christmas events revitalize our KIN spirit. Let it embrace you and enjoy what can often be a stressful and chaotic time.

As your Deputy Governors we are thrilled to have already had the ability to visit with each of your clubs once, to have had the opportunity to participate in some of your projects and have you participate in the Executive and New Member Seminars. I'm sure the National President will feel not only extremely welcome when she visits the Zone as part of her tour but she will also have the opportunity to learn about the proud traditions and legacy we have here in Zone F.

As we prep for our next round of visitations we want to remind you to provide us with dates of any upcoming projects so that we can if possible attend. We look forward to celebrating your successes with you. We also are hoping to see a couple of clubs step up to host interclubs so that we can encourage some Zone wide fellowship. Please reach out to us with any interclub ideas that you and your club might have. We also want to remind you to pencil in Sunday February 25th to your calendar as that is when we will be convening as a zone for our Zone Conference. This year being hosted by the Tilsonburg Kinettes. We will be forwarding more information and documentation for zone conference in the coming months.

So as we close this edition of the newsletter, we want to wish you and your family the happiest of Holiday Seasons. May you get to experience all those things that make the holidays special for you and yours and when we meet again in the New Year that it brings you hope, health and prosperity both individually and as a club.

Yours in Kin

Deputy Governors Colleen and John



To have your event included in the "2017-2018 Zone F Event Tracker", please email carol.vanrooy@gmail.com the date, event location, host club & contact Info.

- Meetings
- Misc
- Events

Club	Meeting Night
Aylmer Kinsmen	1st and 3rd Thursday
Dorchester Kinsmen	1st and 3rd Thursday
Tillsonburg Kinsmen	mondays
Simcoe Kinsmen	2nd Wed general
Delhi Kinsmen	once a month (randomly)
Tillsonburg Kinettes	2nd Tues general
Simcoe Kinettes	2nd Mon general
St. Thomas Kinettes	4th Tues general
Port Dover Kinsmen	Every Wednesday
St. Thomas Kinsmen	1st Wed general/3rd Wed social
London Kinettes	1st Thurs exec/3rd Thurs general
London Kinsmen	2nd & 4th Thursday

NOTE: Should you wish to attend a meeting, please get in touch with the club President to ensure it's not a closed meeting or hasn't been moved. Should you require the contact for a club President, please don't hesitate to inquire with your <u>Zone F Team</u>.

2017

<u>November</u>

- 3-5 FLC
- 15 Insurance reporting form to National
- 15 Proof of incorporation filing for prior year due to HQ
- 15 First dues payment to National
- 18 London Santa Claus Parade
- 25 Aylmer Santa Claus Parade

<u>December</u>

- 2 London Kinettes Christmas Bazaar
- 4 Simcoe Kinsmen/Kinettes Annual Cavalcade @ 6pm
- 31 T2 tax return deadline

<u>January</u>

February

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- 24 National Day of Kindness
- 25 Zone F Spring Conference Tillsonburg

March

- 1 Clubs must submit endorsed Kin Canada Bursary applications to National HQ
- 1 Diane Rogers Kin Pride Award posted on website
- 31 National dues installment due
- 31 Aylmer Kinsmen Pop Culture/Trivia Night

<u>April</u>

15 Submissions for Diane Rogers Kin Pride Award due

May

- Due date for submissions for Lifetime Achievement Award
- 27 Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis

<u>June</u>

- 9 Aylmer Kinsmen 1000 km Journey
- 15 Annual club reporting form due
- 15 Annual service reporting form due
- 30 Submit most National awards
- 30 Early bird registration to National Convention

<u>July</u>

1 Aylmer Kinsmen Canada Day Fire Works



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From the desk of Terri fredate....

The National Education and Training Committee is currently comprised of 5 members from across our Association, 2 from District 6, 2 from District 7, one from District 1 and 1 Kin Canada staff Liaison – Executive Director Grant Ferron.

As per our committee Terms of Reference: the goal of this committee is twofold.

First, this committee is to ensure Kin Canada's training and education programs contribute to the development of its members in such a way that their lives are positively impacted both internally and externally to Kin.

The second goal is to prepare members to fulfill leadership roles within their Clubs, Zone, District and National level.

Two things we are very excited about are:

www.Kinbook.ca

Contains essential information from all kin members to use on the go. (you can visit from your computer or tablet, create a link on your smart phone for quick reference anywhere)

<u>www.kin-u.ca</u> is our Learning Management System. Information and trainings are provided to you the member once you are registered.

Not registered? We encourage you to do so

Registered? We encourage you to check back often as the resources are constantly being added to as more materials are developed. We have a list of materials on the development list or are currently in the development stage.

Please check out both and let us know what you think.

Email us: education@kincanada.ca

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For more information, please email <u>education@kincanada.ca</u> or **contact Grant Ferron** at <u>gferron@kincanada.ca</u> or (800) 742-5546 ext. 216.

Current Members

- · Terri Iredale, Chair
- · Melodie Morgan-Lemoeligou
- Lee Burry
- JM LeMoeligou
- · Brian Cooper
- Executive Director Grant Ferron, Staff Liaison

From the desk of Dustyn Pumfrey....

2017 FLC Club Support Director report

What's new you ask?

A new name and a clearer job description. The District Membership director is now known as the Club Support director.

The job of the District Club Support director is to provide support for the District clubs in creating a healthy environment within clubs, create club cohesion, assist membership development and retention, develop recruitment process, helping to set goals, work with the struggling clubs, provide education, resources and support the formation of new clubs, assess the health of all clubs and members. The District Club Support Co-ordinator will assist in creating a strong membership base for the association and continuing the growth and commitment to Kin Canada.

What tools do we have to offer you as an individual member and your club as a member of the association?

At the club level we are working at enrolling clubs to participate in the Club Health Assessment Tool. This is an incredible tool available to clubs to ask their membership how they feel the club is operating as a whole across a broad range of criteria such as service, member development and many other areas.

Contact your Zone or District members for more information on how your club can participate in this exciting opportunity to plan for the future.

At the personal level Kin Canada has been developing the mentorship program to help partner willing new members within the association with skilled and experienced members from outside the club, zone or even district.

Kin Canada Mentoring Program

Why join the program?

Kin Canada Mentoring Program is here to help every member, new and seasoned to achieve their goals by building relationships, setting goals, improving professionally and personally and learning from those in the Association with a wealth of knowledge about Kin.

For more information see the national website at http://www.kincanada.ca/mentorship

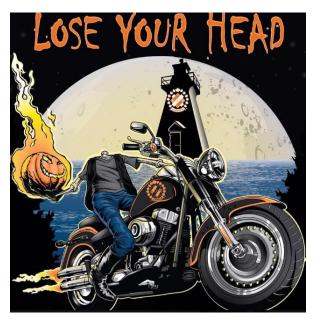
Thank you for all your support

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From around the zone....



The Port Dover Kinsmen is happy to report that Friday, October the 13th was a successful and profitable event once again.

The club is responsible for many aspects of the event including parking and shuttling visitors to town, camping for our overnight guest, assigning vendors to locations throughout town and providing entertainment at our beer tent. We are also responsible for additional expenses to help offset county costs.

Friday the 13th is the Port Dover Kinsmen Club's largest fundraiser, which in turn results in the largest amount of time and volunteers required. This years event used a minimum of 250 volunteers from over 25 different organizations. The event was said to have an attendance of 110,000.

Our next events in 2018 will be April and July. April will be a quiet event, one we consider a "non-event" meaning activities will be limited due to the time of year.

We are already gearing up for July. If any clubs or individuals would be interested in volunteering their time in July, feel free to email us at portdoverkinsmen@hotmail.com. We will be looking for volunteers from Thursday, July 12 through to Saturday afternoon, July 14 for things such as selling merchandise, bar tending, staff, and clean up.

We'd like to thank the Kinsmen Clubs who have volunteered over the years and continue to do so and Cystic Fibrosis Canada. Without your continued support and volunteering these events would not be possible. We look forward to having you back in 2018.





The Simcoe Kinsmen & Kinettes will be putting on their Annual Cavalcade on December 4 at 6:00pm. We will be taking seniors to see the Christmas Lights in Wellington Park and then back to Kinvilla for cider & treats. Santa Claus also makes a special appearance!

HAPPY HOLFDAY'S













