



Tay Talk – Spring 2014 Newsletter Kiwaniis Club of Perth on Tay

Preparations are under way for the visit of EC&C District

Governor Hope Markes. She arrives in Perth on Friday April 4th and will go with Gail McAdam and Marie Shaw to St. John's Elementary School to participate in a Terrific Kids assembly. That day will remain informal with visits to area Key and Aktion Clubs.

Saturday, April 5th, she will be at the Regional Caucus meeting, 10am-4pm at St. Paul's church hall, 25 Gore Street. The \$20 fee (which will be waived for Perth Clubbers who volunteer and/or donate for the event) covers lunch, two breaks with snacks, and the Caucus meeting.

Tickets are available from Marie and Helen who also have tickets for the **informal Hope-E-Nanny from 6pm-midnight. \$35, payable by all attendees, covers dinner, entertainment, dancing, and a late snack. There will be a silent auction fundraiser of donated, themed baskets.** Proceeds after expenses will support the multi-year Kiwanis International **Eliminate** project, a joint effort with UNICEF to wipe out neo-natal tetanus in third world countries. Wear Jeans/casual attire to go with the Lanark County country theme.

Attendance at both the Regional Caucus Meeting and the Hope-E-Nanny is greatly encouraged. *We are hosting Kiwanis members from Districts 11,12, 13 as well as Governor Hope. Spouses and friends of Kiwanis are welcome.*

If you can volunteer at or before either event, please contact Marie. Marilyn Devlin is coordinating donations of themed baskets for the Silent Auction. If you can contribute one, or find a corporate donor, contact Marilyn ASAP.

Nomination and Election Time

Yes, already. The Nomination Committee is composed of Ron Jones, Marilyn Devlin and Marie Shaw. They will be contacting members asking them to put their name forward for the Board for the new Kiwanis year, starting October 1, 2014.

Elections, as mandated, will be May 23, at the dinner meeting.

New members especially are encouraged to join the Board. We very much need your fresh ideas, skills and experience, your enthusiasm, and participation. A few spots will be open. Contact any of the above Committee members for information.

MEMBERSHIP can use another boost, in particular from folks who can be active in the organization. After all, **Kiwanis is “A way to serve; a place to connect”**. We in Perth do a lot for the community, plus support Kiwanis International’s partnership with UNICEF. Do ask friends, family, acquaintances and business people to consider joining. Bring them to a meeting or to volunteer alongside you at a fundraiser. Some Clubs have closed. Don’t let ours add to that sad list.

Maple Fest BBQ Saturday, April 26 fundraiser will have Marie Shaw as lead this year. She needs volunteers for set up, cooking, cash, assisting, and take down. Please give us a couple of hours if you can, then enjoy the fair.

EC&C District Convention is being held in Charlottetown, PEI. Limited funding is available to assist with expenses – we will send two voting delegates. In particular anyone who will be new to the Board will hopefully attend. Registered spouses may attend some events and can opt for tours while meetings are on. Sign up soon on-line, but do let our Board know if you plan to go.

If you have questions or concerns, please do contact any Board member.

Most of all – have a great spring! Yes! It is Spring on March 20th.