



## Tay Talk – Winter 2013-14

### Newsletter of Kiwanis Club of Perth on Tay

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#### NEWS:

**Changes to the Board of Directors** – in November, Patti Lamarche and Keith Hall resigned from the Board for personal reasons. They will be missed, but have promised to continue to do service as their schedules permit.

**Keith Hall**, known in EC&C District as “Mr. Kiwanis” served for many years, as a President, a Lieutenant Governor, and for many years as our excellent Secretary. He is known and respected by fellow Kiwanians in other Clubs and our own. Many thanks Keith. You are appreciated and respected. We are lucky to have you in our Club.

**Patti Lamarche**, formerly Williams, became President while she was new to being Vice President, when Marie Shaw stepped aside to run for Lieutenant Governor. Patti held things together, coordinating the quilt raffle tickets and funds and ran weekly meetings at a time when she had important personal projects involving family. Thank you so much Patti.

#### **New to the Board**

**Margaret Delorme** agreed to join our Board in the key role of Secretary. She joined the Club just this year, although has been instrumental in running BBQ's for some time. She will meet the challenge to learn her role and the latest on-line reporting system. Good going.

**Steve Cowie**, a new member and former President of Smiths Falls Lions is now a Director on our Board. Steve is learning who we are and what we do. His previous service club experience and fresh perspective will be assets, we're sure. Welcome aboard Steve.

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#### **SERVICE & FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES**

continue. The wine bottles and beer cans were down this last month or so, but the holiday season will remedy that. In the mean time we have run out of popular K rings, and the twin packs and cherry cakes are almost depleted. Candy is left – fudge, truffles, and a few almonds. Call Willard at 613-267-4022 for supplies.

Terrific Kids assemblies continue in ten schools. If you have never helped at one, call Boyd Thompson (613-267-4307) and he'll match you with someone who goes monthly to a school in the area. The smiles on the children's' faces as they receive their certificates will warm your heart on a cold day. Boyd also has extra supplies, if needed.

Oh Christmas Tree – once again Kiwanis elves, this time Steve Stewart, Phil Anderson, Karl Delorme and Helen, set up and decorated a tree at the Crystal Palace. Steve generously donated the tree, Karl brought tools, Phil purchased new lights and Helen purchased new ornaments to revive our design - good in its day but becoming tired. Now it's revitalized, like our Club.

Salvation Army Kettles – Shirley McLean is a mainstay, attending the kettle at Metro almost daily. Others, too, have been playing Santa and collected needed funds for that worthwhile organization. And of course, the whole initiative is coordinated by new member Jeanne Jenner, of the Perth Salvation Army. Thanks to all for taking the time. An important cause.

Website and Facebook – Phil Anderson and his Montreal buddy, Ron Zinn, have been transforming and enhancing our website. It now showcases our history with many photographs taken from albums that Keith Hall maintained. Our professional quality website is better than most in EC&C, including that District's own. Also at work, Audrey Danielle opened a Perth Kiwanis Facebook page and posts current events. Great work all. We can be proud.

Money Matters - Marilyn Devlin has been busy at the bank, straightening out our accounts, securing new signing authorities for the accounts, and obtaining options for parking some of our funds in an investment. All that while learning what is required of Treasurer and the computer program to facilitate her job. Thanks for taking on this important role. We appreciate it.

#### SAVE THE DATES

We have an active winter and spring coming folks. Make Note & Plan to Attend

January 9 – Board Meeting, 6:30pm over coffee, Perth Restaurant. LG Marie Shaw to address.

January 23 – Regular Dinner meeting, 6pm, Perth Restaurant – LG Marie Shaw to discuss Governor Hope's visit in the spring and our role.

February 13 – Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Perth Restaurant – discuss Mapfest options

February 27 – Regular Dinner Meeting, 6pm, Perth Restaurant. Camp Arden Kids & Cornerstone presentation – tentative.

March 13 – Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Perth Restaurant, final plans Governor’s Visit & Maplefest, donations, form Nominating Committee for Elections in May. Choose delegates for EC&C Convention in May in PEI.

March 27 – Regular General Meeting, 6pm, Perth Restaurant – Kiwanis update & PEI Conference news, Bring & Buy Auction for Sleeping Children Around the World (tentative)

### SPRING PREVIEW

Saturday, Apr. 5, Governor Hope Markes visit, Caucus meeting, dinner with entertainment, Civitan Hall.

Tuesday, Apr. 8 – Community Volunteer Fair, at PDCI

Saturday, Apr. 12 – Black Tie Bingo fundraiser for the Great War Memorial Hospital Foundation

### ALL HANDS ON DECK

Two important committees will be formed in January for spring events. One will be for EC&C District Governor Marke’s visit on Saturday April 5, Chaired by LG Marie Shaw. The other need if for a Chair and a team, for our booth at Maplefest. This year we need a new concept, preparation, and workers for the day of the festival, Saturday, April X.

And as always – we are all members of the Membership Committee. Encourage family and friends, neighbours and acquaintances to join. People in their 50’s and 60’s, are good bets – empty nesters, the about-to-be or early retired, newcomers to our area, those who are already supporting us in various ways as community partners. Don’t overlook 20-somethings. They do not yet have as many family and work commitments as those in their 30’s and 40’s and beyond and have volunteered in the past to obtain credit while in high school. Our website is a treasure trove of information for anyone interested and a simple call to 613-267-4662 will grant them personal answers to their questions. Grow our Club. Love our Club.

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