

# Kiwanis

Club of Ottawa West

WHAT'S UP VOLUME 3 NUMBER 4  
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**Chair:** Marie Francis  
**Speaker:** Doug Dubois from the Ottawa Valley Ambassadors

## **Last Meeting**

Our speaker last meeting was Dawn Lyons of Pathways to Education, a community-based program designed to support high school students from low-income neighbourhoods to succeed in high school. Dawn was very enthusiastic and passionate as she explained the history and success this organization has had over the years.

Last meeting also saw Kathy Jones inducted as a member to our Club by our own Lieutenant Governor Germaine Barr. Congratulations Kathy.

As well, President David installed this year's Board of Directors as follows: Marie Francis (President-Elect); Carin Goodman (Secretary); Anita MacLean (Treasurer); Rick Mount (Membership Chair) Ron Heinbuch (House Chair); Faye Beaufort (Community Service Chair); Kathy Jones (Public Relation and Advertising Chair).

## **Recent & Happenings**

This has been a pretty busy two weeks. We have had a couple of cheque presentations recently. W.E. Gowling School assembly was the venue for a group of our members to present the principal Brian Begbie with a \$1500 cheque on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and that was followed up with our Club presenting another \$1500 cheque to the student council of Fisher Park Public School at their assembly two days later. These schools will use the funds donated by our club to fund a "Take a Book Home Program" at Gowling and a

“Breakfast Program” at Fisher Park. Your members were awarded an extremely warm welcome and thanks by both student bodies.

As well, John Rapp of Dovercourt invited our club to a “Principal’s Breakfast “ at the center on the morning of November 4<sup>th</sup>. About half a dozen members of our club attended and were entertained by Native Dancers and heard from a very knowledgeable panel on how we can help encourage and utilize the youth in our community to help. A very educational couple of hours. Plus we were fed. (yay)

LG Germaine and President David continue to take part in the Kiwanis Music Festival’s board meetings, the latest of which was held on November 9<sup>th</sup>. This was followed by our own Club’s board meeting with its new members on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

President David and Marnie Francis laid a wreath at the Westboro Cenotaph on Remembrance Day. The ceremony was also attended by Susan Schiller, Anita MacLean and Paul and Marie Francis. It was very moving with many attendees from government and other organizations in the community.

This past Saturday saw LG Germaine Barr, Connie Barker and President David attend an all day workshop on Membership Growth and Retention sponsored by the Eastern Canada and the Caribbean District and hosted by Growth Chair for Canada and the Caribbean, Past Governor Chuck McIlravey, and Division Growth Chairs PLG Firma French and PLG Jay McLaren. This workshop was attended by membership committee members and others from many of the clubs in division 12 and 13 and even division 11. A very interactive and informative day. More on this at future club meetings.

And finally we had an interclub this past Saturday as LG Germaine Barr and her husband Robert, plus Rick and Penny Mount and President David and Susan Schiller attended Manotick Club’s 50<sup>th</sup> Charter Night at the Centurion Centre. What a fantastic evening of great food, wonderful fellowship and lots of laughs.

Don’t forget to check out all the wonderful pictures taken at these events that have been circulating this past couple of weeks.

### **This Week**

This Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be chaired by President-Elect Marie Francis. This will be an exciting meeting as Marie has arranged for a representative from the Ottawa Valley Ambassadors to speak to the Club. There are also a lot of

interesting and important events coming up so please make every effort to be at the meeting.

### **Upcoming Happenings**

- November 19 – World Trivia Night for Champions for Children. **Volunteer Op.**
- November 20 – Nepean Club 56<sup>th</sup> Charter Celebration, Centurion Centre
- November 20 – **Parkdale United Church In From the Cold. We need volunteers**
- November 26 – Ottawa-Vanier Club Charter Night, Columbus Hall in Vanier
- December 14 – Kiwanis Club of ByTown Charter Night
- **December 15 – Special Christmas Breakfast – Speaker Hon. James Bartleman**

### **Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries**

November 29<sup>th</sup> - Paul McCumber

### **Parting Ponderings**

In a moving world, re-adaptation is the price of longevity.

*George Santayana*