

# Kiwanis

Club of Ottawa West

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WHAT'S UP VOLUME 4 NUMBER 2  
January 19, 2011

**Guest Speaker:** Gary Coulombe, Lieutenant Governor Elect, Division 13

## **Last Meeting**

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At our last meeting held on January 5<sup>th</sup> we welcomed Past Lieutenant Governor Jay McLaren to our club. Jay talked to us about the growth and marketing aspects of Kiwanis. He reminded us that we need to brag about our exciting organization and explained some of the “Rewards” of being a Kiwanian, such as the fun and fellowship, the bettering of the lives of children and others in our community and the opportunity to sharpen our leadership skills.

Also as the immediate past Lieutenant Governor, Jay made a presentation to the club of the Lieutenant Governor’s Banner. The banner was presented to us as this year’s host club of the current Lieutenant Governor, our very own Germaine Barr.

Thank you Jay for coming down from Pembroke to present the banner and share your message with us.

## **Recent Happenings**

This has been a busy and exciting couple of weeks. January 8<sup>th</sup> featured a joint caucus meeting of Divisions 12 & 13. These caucus meetings are held a number of times throughout the year and are hosted by the current respective Lieutenant Governors. This is a time of sharing of information on upcoming district initiatives, of finding out about our sister clubs and of fellowship and getting to know some of the other members of the Kiwanis family. The meeting was held at the Kanata Golf and Country Club. Representing Ottawa West were Carin Goodman, Marie Francis, Penny Mount, Faye Beaufort and David Schiller. Definitely time well spent.

As well, the monthly Board meeting, Community Service and Membership committee meetings were held. Details will be mentioned at the meeting on Wednesday.

And finally, President David attended the latest Board meeting of the Kiwanis Music Festival last Tuesday. The meeting focused around strategic planning over the next 3 to 4 years.

Many questions have been asked about the Festival and a number of our members, especially those new to our club, are unfamiliar with this organization and Kiwanis' attachment and involvement. With this in mind, on February 2<sup>nd</sup> Marg Demers from the Festival Board will be coming to our club to explain the workings of the Kiwanis Music Festival, its future and how we, as Kiwanians, can help ensure the festival's health in the years ahead. Marg made this presentation at the joint division Caucus meeting held on January 8<sup>th</sup> and her talk was very informative and interesting. Note there will be a question and answer time at the end of the presentation.

### **This week**

This week we have the pleasure of welcoming Gary Coulombe, Lieutenant Governor Elect for Division 13, talk to us about his passion for Kiwanis and building vibrant clubs within our city. Gary was President of the Manotick Kiwanis Club last year when that club welcomed 22 new members. Gary brings to us a passionate commitment about what it means to be a Kiwanian and how we can encourage others to join us in our quest to serve our community. Gary is a dynamic speaker. You won't want to miss his talk.

### **Upcoming Happenings**

- \*January 19: Regular meeting. Guest speaker, Gary Coulombe, Lieutenant Governor Elect Division 13
- \*February 2: Regular meeting. Guest speaker Marg Demers, Kiwanis Music Festival
- \*February 15: Aktion Club – We need volunteers, birthday cake and entertainment
- \*March 12: Visit to Div. 13 by Governor Paul Toussant. (In From the Cold activity)
- \*March 26: In From the Cold service day at Parkdale United Church
- \*April 8 – 10: Key Club Convention in Montreal

### **Upcoming Birthdays**

January 25 – Faye Beaufort  
February 2 – Marnie Francis

### **Parting Ponderings**

Lead the life that will make you kindly and friendly to everyone about you, and you will be surprised what a happy life you will live.

*Charles M Schwab*

