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**We meet Thursday mornings at 10 am @ the
Kiwaniis Seniors Centre, 78 Riverside Dr.
London ON**

**PARKING IS FREE AT THE KIWANIS CENTRE
www.middlesexkiwanis.org**

The next meeting will be held 13 July, 2023

Members & Spouses July & August birthdays

**01 John Longworth, 08 Luella Kuntz, 25 Donna Jamieson, 28
Elaine Duncan, 30 June Gonder. August 03 Barb Whitby, 09
Graham Laing, Tim Mayo, 11 Carol Turnbull, 13 Jim Walker, 31
Russ Knight.**

Members & Spouses July & August Anniversaries

**18 Glen Pearson, Jane Roy August 07 Ken and Suzanne Brown, 17
John and Mary Longworth, 26 Ed and Luella Kuntz**

Future Programs

**July 13 – Bob Curtis, Ken Whitby Memorial tributes to Ninian
Mellamphy and Evadne Benson**

**July 20 to August 31 instead of regular meetings, there will be
completely informal Coffee and Conversation 10 am Thursday
weekly in the Cafeteria until September 7 when we resume**

regular meetings in our current meeting room. We will celebrate Graham Laing's milestone birthday in August probably on August 10. We are also open for suggestions from club members about outings we could take during this time that we aren't having regular meetings. Contact Bruce Lundgren.

Program - July 06



Craig Irwin water quality specialist from the Upper Thames River Authority (UTRA) was introduced by Russ Knight. Craig told us about the Watershed report cards which are produced every 5 years. The most recent report cards were released in 2022 and give scientific data for 28 watersheds. They are intended to

track changes and motivate communities to take action. It gives environmental measure of effectiveness of programs to protect water quality and preserve and manage natural areas. There is a province wide grading system and generally higher grades occur in areas with less development and/or less intensive land use.

Environmental factors include: surface water quality. Throughout the province 24 sites are monitored monthly and in London 4 sites are monitored monthly. Watersheds grades and trends since 2017 show 5 have improved, 21 steady and 2 declined. Surface water quality storms deliver highest amounts of pollutants (more extreme weather). Good stream side vegetation improves water quality. At least 30% of forest needed to sustain species and watershed health. Gain and loss of forest over 2010-15: 781 Ha gained and 353 Ha lost. There is a good variety of fish species in all watersheds. It takes 4-10 days for water from the Upper Thames River to reach Lake St Clair. Highlights of progress since 2017: tree power programs expanded and wastewater treatment plants upgraded. What is being done includes creating awareness about the condition of the watershed encouraging tree planting projects. In 2016 UTRCA turned information into action by developing environmental targets and the report cards are information sources for groups e.g. municipalities and the public.

More information can be found at www.thamesriver.on.ca

Bruce Lundgren thanked the speaker for his presentation.

50/50 Draw Winner: Carol Jellous



Celebration of LifeThe Celebration of Life for Evadne Benson will be held at the Kiwanis Seniors' Community Center, 78 Riverside Drive, London, Ontario, N6H 1B4, Thursday, August 17th, 2023, 6:30 – 8:30pm

A Greeter at the door



Thank you to Carol Jellous for being the greeter at the door on July 6th.

Sunshine Report

John Longworth reported he talked to: Ed Kuntz. He and Luella have moved to their new apartment at Richmond Woods but as yet their house has not sold. Avo Kingu sounded well but he has trouble with mobility. Lloyd Good is fine but said he needed new glasses as his vision has changed.

Directors Reports – 29 June, 2023

New Flag Poles



When a Kiwanis club is first chartered it receives two flag poles as well as 2 flags. These items are displayed at the front of the meeting room. We have had our flag poles since 1974 when the club was chartered so the wear and tear on the poles has meant the poles were being held together with tape. Millie Norry purchased two new aluminum poles. However, the poles were too big to fit in the bases. John Hogg's skills with metal fixed that and since the bases now needed refurbishing, Bruce Lundgren painted them. Thank you to these club members for doing this.

The reason for the two flags is because in recognition of the United States being the founding nation of Kiwanis, Kiwanis clubs outside the US display the US flag and the flag of home nation of the club.

Christmas Luncheon

We have been asked by the Kiwanis Seniors Centre if we want to participate in a Christmas luncheon on Thursday, 07 December. It will be held in the auditorium at the centre and there will be entertainment. Further details such as Price and Time will be known later in the year.

We took a vote among members who were present at the meeting on June 29 and the vote was unanimous to join the luncheon.

BBQ

St Thomas Golden K Kiwanis annual picnic and BBQ on 23 August in St Thomas Pinafore Park, Wednesday 23 August. Social 4 pm, dinner 5 pm. Roasted chicken or Steak dinner \$40.00. Bring a lawn chair. Contact Jack McBride by July 30th 519-207-1779.

Kiwanis Education 06 July, 2023

From 1915 to 1919, the organization of new Kiwanis clubs was managed by a professional organizer, Allen Simpson Browne, who can be credited with creating Kiwanis. In return for building new clubs, he received a portion of every new membership fee. This arrangement led to increasing controversy about the purpose and control of the organization. The problem was solved when Kiwanis International "bought itself" from Browne at the 1919 convention in Birmingham, Alabama. Club delegates raised \$17,500 on the convention floor to purchase Browne's rights to the Kiwanis name and organization. (that amount in 2023 equivalent to \$314,783).

Some of the attendees 06 July Club meeting



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