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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 14 September,
2023 in our regular room, the conference room**

Members & Spouses September birthdays

01 Carole Mayo, 23 Jane Roy, 24 Marilyn Longworth

Members & Spouses September Anniversaries

11 John and Betty Lawrence

Future Programs

Sept 14 – Christine Walker will update us about the London Children's Museum.

Sept 21 – Gordon McBean on Climate Change

Sept 28 – Lieutenant Governor elect Allen Ure: Turnover meeting.

Kiwanis Club of Forest City- London

The Kiwanis Club of Forest City-London is hosting a Headliners Speaker series this fall at the Highland Golf & Country Club.



They have been able to get top notch speakers. **September 21**, speaker will be Win Wahrer, co-founder of Innocence Canada. Her organization has been successful in overturning many convictions, including Guy Paul Moran and Steven Truscott.

October 18, speakers will be Laura Robinson and Kate Bahen. These journalists broke the Hockey Canada scandal.

November 16, speaker will be Ron Gosbee. Ron was sent to a local residential school in Northern Ontario by his parents, who had no idea what he would encounter at this school. His story was on the CBC last year. He will talk to us about his experiences while at the school, where he was treated the same way as the indigenous children. Funds raised for the following London organizations: Rotholme Family Shelter, Growing Chefs! Ontario and the Kiwanis Music Festival. Admission \$30. For each event. e-transfer to kiwanisclubofforestcitylondon@gmail.com (put the date of the event and name(s) of attendee(s) in the "Note" section).

To buy tickets online, visit the event web page and follow the links: <https://www.forestcitykiwanis.ca/headliners-speakers-series/>

Or you can send a cheque via Canada Post. If you do so, please indicate which event(s) you are paying for and the name of the attendee(s). Make the cheque out to The Kiwanis Club of Forest City-London. The mailing address is: Kiwanis Club of Forest City-London, P.O. Box 312, London, ON N6A 4W1.

Please email Wendy Chesworth to let her know which events you are attending. wendy.chesworth1@gmail.com

Program - 7 September



Russ Knight our club's immediate past president and chair of our Program committee was introduced by Bruce Lundgren. Russ' presentation was about computers. He said a professor once asked his students if a computer was male or female. A variety

of reasons were given for choosing a particular gender. Male students said: a computer is female because even if you make a small mistake it is saved forever in its memory. Females said a computer is male because it never makes a mistake, it is always your fault. The first computer was the abacus in ancient China. The first mechanical computer was invented by Charles Babbage in the 1800s. He was a mathematician and used it for mathematical calculations. It weighed 15 tons, 8 ft. high, operated by punch cards.

The colossus was used by the British during the Second World War to translate German code. However, it was kept secret until long after the war ended so the Americans claimed in 1946 their Eniac was the first electronic computer. The Eniac was housed at the University of Pennsylvania, weighed 30 tons, 19 vacuum tubes and lasted about 10 years. Used primarily for Atomic Energy calculations. It became obsolete when transistors replaced tubes. Russ said he first encountered an IBM computer in 1959. Present day computers are in every stage of our lives including: turning on our furnaces, pacemakers, hearing aids, microwave ovens, email, smart phones, traffic lights, banking by computer. Computers control much of our world e.g. medical devices, agriculture industry, space program. The future of computers is unlimited. Bruce Lundgren thanked Russ for his presentation.



Society for learning in Retirement (SLR)

Russ gave a promo for new members for this volunteer group of retirees interested in furthering their education. They meet at Grosvenor Lodge, 1017 Western Road on week days. The classes are called study groups, interest groups, discussion groups on a wide variety of topics. Classes are two hours long, and contain 2 presentations of 25 minutes each on the overall topic followed by a twenty minute discussion. Russ pointed out many of the presentations at our weekly Kiwanis meetings have come from SLR members. For further information visit the SLR website <https://slrlondon.com> and talk to our Kiwanis members who belong to SLR: Russ Knight, Bob Curtis, Ron Monk, Biserka Mrzljak.

50/50 Draw winner: Graham Laing

Birthday Celebration



At our meeting today we celebrated Graham Laing's 95th birthday which was August 9th but we were not holding regular meetings in August. Margaret from the kitchen made a variety of cup cakes for the occasion and she apologized that she only had 91 candles to decorate the cup cakes.

Sunshine Report

John Longworth passed around thinking of you cards for Herb Norry and Russ Gonder. John talked to: Lloyd Good who is fine and is enjoying watching the Blue Jays, Avo Kingu who has had COVID but is over it and hopes to be able to get to some of our meetings this year, Carol Jellous is recovering from knee surgery, likely will need the other knee replaced soon.

Bob Curtis reported Russ Gonder spent most of the summer in Port Stanley staying first with his son John and then with his daughter Brenda. Russ is now living in Longworth retirement community. His wife June is still living at Richmond Woods.

Directors Reports

There will be a Club Board meeting on Friday 15 September in the Kiwanis Centre at 10 am. Those people who have agreed to join the Board for the 2023-24 year are also welcome to attend this meeting. As well as any Middlesex Kiwanis member is welcome to attend any Club Board meeting.

Christmas cakes

Millie Norry said we are still planning to sell Christmas cakes this year at the Cherry Hill Mall and in a few retirement homes.

Staples Project

Millie reported we had two Staples stores this year. The one at Argyle Mall has so far raised \$1200 and the Wonderland store has so far raised \$1300. Carol Turnbull is the co-ordinator for Division 4 Kiwanis Clubs for the Staples Project.

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A “service project” is defined by Kiwanis International as “an activity, consistent with the Objects, objectives, and policies of Kiwanis International, which is devised or planned by a Kiwanis club or a club committee and performed by members of the club for the benefit of others.

Some of the other attendees at the 7 September meeting



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