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Members & Spouses December Birthdays

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Members & Spouses December Anniversaries

23 Herb and Jean Norry

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Heather Walton – a musical program

30 November MEETING NEWS

Attendance: Graham Laing welcomed back: Avo Kingu, Yke Rusticus.

Sing along: Crandall Benson supported by Evadne Benson on the piano led us in song.

Greeters:

Dec 14 – Herb Norry, John Quinney

Jan 04 – Doug Ross, Yke Rusticus

Chesley Park Bingo

December 18 – George & Mary Jane Mudge

December 25 – Christmas Day – no bingo

January 01 – New Year's Day – No Bingo



Program.

Mira Nordemere Fund Developer from the Children's Museum was introduced by Bob Curtis. Mira told us the museum strives to ignite curiosity through play. The museum was established in 1975 and when they celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2015, they



had over 2,000,000 visitors. There are 9 galleries, all with interactive activities. E.G. the learning garden where visitors can take food from the gardens and go into the museum and prepare it for eating. There is money available for those experiencing financial hardships so children can attend things like day camps. There are free Friday family Fun nights. Over 100 volunteers help with various tasks such as helping in the exhibits to doing administration work. So far this year there have been 88,000 visitors to the museum. John Wilkey thanked Mira and presented her with a cheque from the club for the museum.



Sunshine Reports

John Longworth told us Don Boam should get home from Meadow Park long term care in the next week and hopes to return to the club soon. Ken Ayling is not feeling well but hopes to be back to Kiwanis soon. A 'thinking of you' card was passed around to the members to sign for Lloyd Good. Lloyd says he is feeling better and will be out to the meeting on December 14th (today).

Directors' Reports

Ken Keith – Collection on December 14th (today) of used clothing and other items which can be sold in the Mission store as well as non perishable food items for Mission Services.

John Wilkey read a letter from the Boys & Girls Club in which they told us our financial donation will be used for their summer camp.

John also told us that Gary Williams, son of the late Ivor Williams gave a \$2,000 donation to the B&E fund in memory of his Dad.

Sandra Collier: The polo shirts some club members ordered are finally ready for distribution at today's meeting. There will be a small cash

reimbursement to each person who ordered a shirt as the cost of the shirts was not as great as was anticipated.

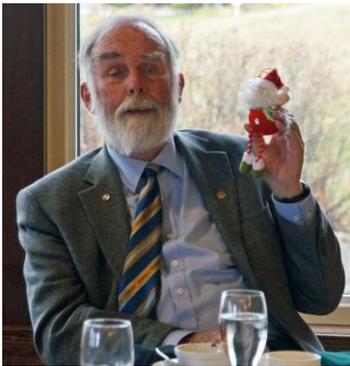
Parking Lot – New Year's Eve

Forest City Kiwanis has once again offered us the London Life Clarence Street lot for the New Year's Eve festivities downtown. Shifts are 2 hours in duration and the first shift begins at 4 pm. Please contact Sandra Collier if you can help out.

50/50 Draw Winner – Avo Kingu

Christmas cakes

Paul Fish told us Christmas cakes will be on sale in our meeting room today (Dec 14th). If there is any cake inventory left, Millie Norry will sell it in the lobby of the Kiwanis Centre on Friday, 15 December (tomorrow).



Programs:

December 21 – No meeting scheduled.

December 28 – No meeting scheduled.

January 04 – Jim Blair and end of year picture review.

January 11 - London Hospice

January 18 - Bruce Lungren 'The Man who invented Christmas'

Sgt-at-Arms – Ken Keith

EDUCATIONAL SPOT FOR DEC 14TH 2017 - Don Russell

Another dose of reality Oregon Kiwanians



were on a hunt, a search for a service project that would impact children for a lifetime. They found it in the pages of Kiwanis magazine.

"When I read '[Wheel of Fortune](#)' (April/May 2017), it struck me as a perfect fit," says Florence Kiwanis Club President Jean Murphey. "I took magazines to our local school superintendents, and they immediately

gave us their support.”

The story was about the Greencastle, Indiana, Kiwanis Club’s Reality Experience, which assigns middle school students careers and salaries before routing them through a course of financial decisions, such as buying or renting a residence and setting up a bank account.

The Greencastle club shared its game plan, which Florence Kiwanians adapted for their use.

“We named our project ‘Game of Life’ and added a station for pets—kids think they need a pet—and technology—now much is that cell phone, Internet and TV service,” Murphey says.

The schools gave full support to the event, which allowed the Kiwanians to schedule the game during school hours. And students were given extra credit for dressing for their professions.

“We had students in fatigues, scrubs and suits,” Murphey says.

That morning the Technology and Employment station leaders experienced family emergencies, leaving significant gaps in the reality experience.

“Our Key Club volunteers really stepped up and took over those stations,” Murphey reports. “With no preparation—and at one station no materials—you never would have known those Key Club kids hadn’t planned on running those stations.”

As in Indiana, school administrators were pleased with the results.

“Our students were very engaged and walked away with a new perspective about what it takes to be a positive, contributing member of society,” says Siuslaw Middle School Principal Andy Marohl.

Asked what advice she would give to other clubs considering a reality experience game, Murphey answered: “Do it! The Kiwanis club and students will both gain so much more than you’d think.”

And she lists three top tips:

- Include school representatives in your committee.**
- Give your station volunteers freedom to do what they want with their handouts. Communicate often.**



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON 07 DECEMBER 2017
Our Christmas Luncheon was held at noon at Riverbend Golf Course. coordinator of the luncheon was club secretary Millie Norry. Forty-eight members and their guests enjoyed a hot turkey dinner preceded by hot squash soup and

followed by a dessert of crème Brule, tea and coffee.

Following the meal Crandall and Evadne Benson led us in singing several Christmas carols.



There were door prizes and Millie gave a humorous comment as she presented each winner with a prize she thought that person would like. The winners were: Marg Wray, Donna Kingu, Herb Norry, Mary Longworth, Darlene Smith, Audrey Walker, Millie Norry, Graham Laing, Jean Jackson, Paul Fish, Gary Duncan, Ken Keith. President Sandra Collier thanked Millie for organizing such an enjoyable event.





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**The Kiwanis Club of Middlesex (London) Inc. meets every Thursday at
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 78 Riverside Drive, London, Ontario**

Coffee and Friendship at 9:00 AM; program from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

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