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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 11th January, 2024 in our
regular room, the Conference Room**

Members & Spouses January birthdays

24 Ken Brown, 27 Suzanne Brown

January Anniversaries

None to report.

Future Programs

Jan 11 - Keith Gibbons, Earnest Hemmingway

Jan 18 – Alain Moutham, the Internet past, present, future.

Directors Reports

Russ Knight who has been providing us with great usspeakers for our weekly Kiwanis meetings has asked us for ideas for future programs. If you have an idea for a topic or the name of a

speaker, please contact Russ. His phone number is on page four of this Kiwanian. His email address is rknight@ivey.ca

Christmas cakes

Our fundraising project of selling Christmas cakes in Retirement Homes and the Cherry Hill Mall is over for 2023. Special Thank you to the following people: Peggy Stewart from the Forest City Club who took some of our cakes and cookies and sold them to members of her club: Dallas Knight who provided non food items such as Christmas tree ornaments to sell at our fundraiser: the following members of the Middlesex Kiwanis Club who also participated in this fundraising project: Crandall Benson, Ken and Suzanne Brown, Sandra Collier, Andre and Carol Cote, Bob Curtis, Gary and Elaine Duncan, Paul Fish, Carol Jellous, Russ Knight, Grant Knox, Graham Laing, John Lawrence and Saron and Sinjan, two Fanshawe College students, John and Mary Longworth, Bruce Lundgren, Tim and Carole Mayo, Biserka Mrzljak, Millie Norry, Carrie Turnbull, Carol Turnbull, Ken and Barb Whitby. We had a few one pound light cakes left over which we donated to Mission Services.

Below are pictures of some of our cake sellers on Dec 20th



Program – 04 January 2024



Elizabeth Booth who was introduced by Russ Knight told us Chat GPT was launched in 2022. GPT stands for generative, pre-trained, transformer which refers to how ChatGPT processes requests and formulates responses. It is similar to automated chat services found on customer service websites. Among the things it can do is analyse how probable a certain

word will follow another word e.g. for the word is how probable is it that the word the will follow it. Chat GPT is an artificial intelligence (AI) chatbot that uses natural language processing to create humanlike conversational dialogue. The language model can respond to questions and compose various written content, including articles, social media posts, essays, code and emails. GPT-4 can also handle more complex tasks compared with previous models, such as describing photos, generating captions for images and creating more detailed responses up to 25,000 words. It can handle both simple and complex answers e.g. What year did Ontario become a province? To what is the meaning of life? Carol Turnbull thanked the speaker.

50/50 Winner: Grant Knox

Division 4 Caucus Meeting

Saturday, 20 January: At the Grace Anglican Church, 230 Morden St, West Lorne, ON. Time 9 am.

Middlesex Club Board Meeting

Friday, 19 January. At the Kiwanis Seniors Centre 10:30 am.

Middlesex Kiwanis Social

Millie Norry is hosting a social at her home on Saturday 27 January from 2 pm to 4 pm. All Middlesex Kiwanis members and their guests are invited to attend. Further details in the near future.

Kiwanis Club of Forest City Trivia Night



Sunshine Report

Carol Jellous talked to Donna Jamieson this week. Donna is fine but hasn't been attending Kiwanis meetings as she is busy getting her records in order. She also really enjoys her new cat, Cookie. Sandra Collier talked to Jim Walker and he and Audrey are fine. Jim hasn't been to our meetings because their son Harvey whose

health problems require he live in the Dearness Home is recovering from serious surgery. Harvey was in hospital for two weeks but is home now. Jim and Audrey are visiting Harvey daily.

Some of the attendees at 04th January Middlesex meeting



Kiwanis Education 04 January 2024

The first president of Kiwanis International was George F. Hixson of the Rochester, New York, club. He was elected at the first convention in Cleveland in 1916 and re-elected the next year. He is the only International President to serve for two terms. The Hixson Fellowship of the Kiwanis International Foundation is named in his honor; Hixson medals are presented to donors who have contributed at least \$1,000 to the Hixson Endowment Fund or the Worldwide Service Project.

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