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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 regular meeting of Middlesex Kiwanis will be
Thursday November 7th, 2024 @ 10 am.**

There are no Birthdays or Anniversaries in November.

Future Programs

November 07 – Remembrance Day John Longworth

**November 14 - Michel Cote of Community Living London
(CLL) in charge of activities for CLL's clients, including
their sailing program at Fanshawe Sailing School**

50th Anniversary

**The luncheon for our club's 50th anniversary will be held at
Spencer Hall in December. More details to follow.**

50/50 Draws

We have resumed our 50/50 draws among attendees at our in person meetings. This helps defray some of our administrative costs. Cost of tickets 3 for \$5.00 or \$2.00 each.

Fines and Happy Bucks

Happy Bucks are a way our club members sharing with other members happy events in their lives. We all have a club badge and we are supposed to wear it at all meetings which is a way for new members and guests to get to know our names. There is a small fine for not wearing your badge is another way along with happy bucks of raising money to off set club administration costs.

Our Sgt at Arms, Carol Jellous says the cost of fines is going up.

Program 31st October 2024



Lauralee Bushan-Jazey who was introduced by Carrie Turnbull told us why it is important for a person to do estate planning and that sometimes to have an outdated Will is worse than having no Will at all. Holograph Wills are acceptable as long as they are written in the person's own handwriting and signed by him/her. Important documents for estate planning include: A Will and Powers of Attorney for property and healthcare. If the person is incapacitated and there is no valid powers of attorney than a court order is required to appoint a substitute decision maker. In some circumstances it might be advisable to set up a Trust such as: if there are disabled beneficiaries, or blended families. There are many factors to consider when choosing a power of attorney e.g. financial acumen, age and stage in life of the individual, ability to maintain family harmony, organizational skills. It is also possible to appoint a corporate lawyer, executor or trustee with a knowledge of complex trust estate and tax law. Carrie Turnbull thanked Lauralee for her knowledgeable and interesting presentation.

Member Surveys

Member Survey Carol passed out copies of the survey to those members present at the meeting on October 3rd. Please complete these survey so we can act on your suggestions.

Plans for 2024-25 year include: 50th anniversary dinner for our club (1974-2024), Christmas cake sales, opening gift shop in the new Children's museum, looking after a Salvation Army Christmas kettle, Valentine's fundraising dance, Doug Porter presentation.

Directors Reports & Club Activities

50th Wedding Anniversary

Karen and Anthony Mazereeuw will be celebrating this special anniversary on Saturday November 9th Open House and Social Gathering, 1pm to 4pm at Mount Zion United Church, 471 Ridgewood Crescent, London.

Interclub possibility

Kiwanis Club of Forest City has invited us to their meeting on Monday November 11 for a Remembrance Day Program. Time noon at Carling Heights Optimist Community Centre, 656 Elizabeth Street, London. Cost: \$20.00

Christmas Luncheon

The annual luncheon at the Kiwanis Centre will be December 5th. More details to follow such as when one can buy tickets. Price \$20.

Salvation Army Kettles

Grant Knox announced we will be minding a kettle at the Superstore on Oxford Street on a Saturday in December.

Christmas cakes

Our Christmas cake selling campaign begins about the middle of November and we have 5 venues to sell the cakes at. We need help at Chesley Park Retirement Community. We also can use help during the time we sell cakes in the Cherry Hill Mall.

The dates for Cherry Hill Mall will be weekends between Nov 21 and Dec 21. If you have friends or relatives interested in volunteering to sell Christmas cakes in the Mall they are welcome. This includes high school students wanting volunteer hours to graduate from high school.

Some of the attendees at our October 31st meeting.



Children's Museum

Towards the end of November there will be training for those people who have volunteered to work in the museum store. Those who plan to work in this store must have a Police check which costs \$15 for volunteers. The gift shop will open in December or January. More gift store volunteers needed, non Kiwanis members are welcome to volunteer.

Sunshine Report

We were happy to see Bruce Lundgren at our club meeting on October 31st after his brief stay in hospital.

50/50 Draw winner – Crandall Benson

Kiwanis Education 31st October 2024

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"

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