



KIWANEWS

Club Meeting - TUESDAYS at 12:05 P.M.

Sandman Inn (Catering by Country Kitchen)

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THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

October 1, 2011

As the incoming President of the Kiwanis Club of Lethbridge, let me welcome you to the 2011 - 2012 club season. It is indeed a great honour that you have given me to be elected one as President who has such a brief history in the Kiwanis world. I will do my best to uphold the trust and faith that you have bestowed upon me.

The Board of Directors for the 2011 – 2012 terms is not complete as we continue to look for a Vice President. The search will continue until a suitable candidate is found. I am pleased to report that Immediate Past President Jim Day has offered to fill the position of Program Chair to which I was very thank full, as this is almost a full time position. Keith Robin has agreed to serve as Advisor to the President, a position that he has served in previously, and with his extensive Kiwanis experience is imminently qualified to hold. A long time Kiwanian, though new to your club, Laszlo Bodi has offered to assume the duties as Membership Chairman. We wish Laszlo every success in finding new members to bolster our depleting ranks. Harry Eldon has indicated his wish to be relieved of his responsibilities for the Festival Scholarship Trust and the Music Festival Endowment, thus I continue to be on the lookout for a suitable club member for these duties. I have approached some but not all current Committee Chairs however will do so in the near future, asking you to remain on in your duties for another year.

We have received an invitation to the University of Lethbridge Fall Convocation being held on Saturday, October 15, 2011. If you have an interest in attending please speak to me at our Tuesday Lunch meeting or telephone me.

For Board members old and new, remember the Board Meeting scheduled for 4:00 pm Monday, October 3, 2011 at the offices of Myers, Norris, Penny.

Barry

HOT OFF THE PREZZ

Fellow Kiwanians: Another Kiwanis year has ended. Where do those years go??? My second term as president is done. We tried a few new things. Some were well received, some not so much. Our move to new quarters has had mixed reviews. A number of nagging problems, such as the piano, have been dealt with effectively. We decided on a two month hiatus over the summer. The new board will definitely re-think that one.

At the urging of Kiwanis International and the Western Canada District, we established a relationship with the Boys and Girls Club of Lethbridge. There is no doubt that the aims of the BAGC and Kiwanis are in tune. Some good things occurred, but the new board will re-think that one as well.

I'm disturbed about the situation with Safety City. Our baby grew up and flourished, but never quite reached the point of independent self-sufficiency. Now one wonders if the target market is willing and capable of providing the necessary financial support.

"The times they are a-changing." Sounds like a song. As we get older, those of us who enjoy bridge are fewer. By the time you read this, we will know if the Kiwanis Couples Bridge Club will exist for another year.

I am pleased that our out-reach program, Terrific Kids, is alive and well. There is a strong chance that our AKTION CLUB will get underway this year, and that also pleases me.



HOT OFF THE PREZZ (Continued)

One recent event that encourages me is the arrival in Lethbridge of Laszlo Bodi. Laszlo says, "Call me Les." Les is a life member of Kiwanis who has decided to retire to Lethbridge and to join our club. He is a fanatic about membership and has offered to be the chair of our Membership Committee. I know that he has the experience and energy to help us turn our club around

I am grateful to all of you who are "staying the course" as members of our club. I choose to name some names and pass on my special thanks: Megan, thanks for your faithful service as our assistant treasurer. Vic, thanks for carrying on as bridge convener, and for your term as a board member. Chuck, thanks for continuing with Kiwanews for another year. Leroy, thanks for serving as a board member and for your contribution to the piano problem. Linda, thanks for your work with Terrific Kids and carrying the flag for the BAGC garage sale. Joe, thanks for Terrific Kids and for being Joe. Keith, thanks for setting such a good example for all of us. Finally, thanks to Barry for taking on the assignment as our new president. I promise you my support.

Tuesday, October 11th, will be a big day. Our special guest will be Lieutenant-Governor Bill Grady. Bill will install our new board and also induct our new members. I hope we all strive to be in attendance that day.

Ex-Prezz, Jim

NOON HOUR SPEAKERS



Sept. 20: Chris De Bruin

Chris entertained us with several golfing antidotes as he recalled some of his experiences as a European Tour player, a professional golf instructor and golf course manager in the UK.



Sept. 20

Rose drew the Queen of Spades and took home the 50/50 loot.

Congratulations Rose!



Sept. 27: Keith Robin

Keith brought the Club up to date on Kiwanis International's "The Eliminate Project: **Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus**". This \$110,000.00 five year project has Kiwanis International and UNICEF joining forces to save the lives of babies and their mothers by eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus (MNT), a disease that kills an estimated 60,000 newborns and a significant number of women each year in developing countries.

Keith also outlined International's goals relating to local club involvement in and fund raising for the project.

PROGRAMS

October 4: Glen Berry

Glen is a retired police officer of the Lethbridge and Calgary police forces. His topic: "The lighter side of police work".

October 11:

Business meeting
2011-2012 Board Installation
New member Induction

BIRTHDAYS

October 3:

Harm Chapman

October 21:

Lloyd Hatt

ANNIVERSARIES

October 3:

John & Barbara Banfield

October 16:

Frank & Katharine Russell