

District 8 Convention

Zone Halton Peel
Homecoming Weekend
Kollege Dayz 2009
June 11-14, 2009

Thursday, June 11, 2009

5:00 p.m. Registration opened
6:00 p.m. Outgoing Council Dinner
8:00 p.m. Public Speakers Reception
10:00 p.m. Fraternity Parties

Friday, June 12, 2009

8:00 a.m. credentials desks opened

Call to order at 9:00 a.m. by Governor Steve Lowe

O'Canada – Kin Andy O'Connor, Whitby Kinsmen

Kin Song – Gary Gornik, Stouffville Kinsmen

Objects of the Association – Les Mayer, Valley East Kin Club

Moment of Silence observed to commemorate those who have gone before us and Gov Steve placed a symbolic rose before us.

Address to the Chair – Governor Steve, Guests and fellow Kin

Sergeants-At-Arms were appointed Kin Bob Bolger, Kin Club of Valley East, and Kin Lawrence Gatza, Kinsmen Club of Sault Ste. Marie.

Appointment of the Rules and Order Chair – DG Charlotte Stephenson, Bowmanville Kinettes was appointed.

Introductions of DG's, District Executive, and Past National and District Officers

Welcome from Governor Steve.

Welcome Convention Chair - Brian Macklin

Mayor, Councilor, King, Queen Welcome - none of whom made it today even though they were on the agenda, did we miss this fine?

Roll Call – Pat Payne

Credentials Report – DG Charlotte reported 63 signed delegates making 2/3's 42 votes, simple majority 32 votes. Poll votes there are 392 available votes plus 18 delegates at large for a total of 410 making a simple majority 206 and 2/3's 274 votes.

Rules and Order explained by AD Dave Ronson. DG Charlotte made a motion to accept the credentials report, seconded by Debbie Foggetti, Uxbridge Kin Club. **CARRIED**

Secretaries Report – Kin Shirley Heaps, Kinette Club of Sutton made a motion to accept the minutes of District Convention 2008, seconded by Dan Ginn, Oshawa Kinsmen. No errors or omissions reported. **CARRIED.**

Treasurers Report – Kin Brian Macklin reviewed the audited statements from 2007-08 on pages 15-26 of the brochure and made a motion to accept the report as printed and presented. Seconded by DG Will Creighton. **CARRIED.**

1st Call for Governor – papers filed and current for Ed Dawson, Kinsmen Club of Sault Ste. Marie

1st Call for Vice Governor – Len Ptak from Erin Mills has filed paper to let name stand

Presentation - Club Quickie, Bolton Kin – Membership & Growth “How We Grew” – George denHaan

National Presentation - Vision 2020 – AD. Dave Ronson and mentioned the one the District is trying to adopt for District following the same principles Vision 2014 as our new strategic plan.

Public Speaking Competition – chaired By AD Dave Ronson who reviewed the rules with the speakers and delegates. The speakers presented in the order chosen the previous night. Once all speeches had concluded they were introduced.

Andrew Suggitt, Kinsmen Club of Barrie, Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville, Al Simpson, Kinsmen Club of Brighton, Tony Foggetti, Kinsmen Club of Uxbridge, Peter Creighton, Kinsmen Club of Mississauga, Samantha Bolger, Valley East Kin Club, Barb Ross, Kinette Club of Bobcaygeon, and Gord Norris, Kinsmen Club of Porcupine. Unfortunately Maureen Pirie from Whitby was unable to attend.

Lunch – Kin Grace – DMD Jeanine Bolger, Valley East Kin Club. Pin exchange between DG's and District Council except for the position of Governor. Charge and Oath of office completed. Governor Steve presented gifts to council unable to attend last night.

Free afternoon – C.F. Golf Tournament at Castlemore Golf & Country Club or Wine Tasting at a local Wine Store.

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C.F. & Service Dinner 2008-2009
“Sharing the Goal” – 45 Years 1964-2009
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C.F. Directors Randy Cruickshank and Manon Bolger

Arrival of Head Table – Scott Kippen, Kathy Alexander, Scott Bolger, Manon Bolger, Randy Cruickshank, Gary Newton, Heather & Andy Hughes, and Mike Croghan

O’Canada – Kin Gary Newton

Kin Song – Kin Scott Kippen

Introduction of Guests

Toast to the Association – Randy Cruickshank

Reply to the Toast – Mike Croghan

Moment of Silence – Randy Cruickshank

Kin Grace – Kathy Alexander

Kin CCFE Liaison – Mike Croghan

Presentation of Share Winner’s

Top Corporate Sales – Thorne Motors – Mat Whalen

Autographed Wine by Daryl Sitrler & Autographed Hockey Book – Kinsmen Club of Brighton – Al Simpson

Highest Club Shares – Kin Club of Valley East – Les Mayer

Highest Individual Shares – Brian Macklin, Mississauga Kinsmen

CF and Service Award Winners 2008-09

Kinette Platinum Award - I.H.O. Bill Skelly - \$10,000 Timmins Kinettes - Sue LaFreniere

Kinsmen Platinum Award - I.H.O. Ian McClure - \$24,205.00 Barrie Kinsmen - Andrew Suggitt

Paul Arsenault Gold Award - \$16,065.00 Kirkland Lake Kinsmen - Randy Samms

Mike Croghan Silver Award - \$6,540.00 Bowmanville Kinsmen - Scott Kippen

John Holmes Bronze Award - \$6,914.00 Sault Ste. Marie Kinsmen - Ed Dawson

Highest Percentage Increase – Kinette - 25% Bowmanville Kinettes - Charlotte Stephenson

Highest Percentage Increase – Kinsmen - 118% Kin Club of Valley East

Kinette Club of the Year - Bobcaygeon Kinettes

Kinsmen Club of the Year - Barrie Kinsmen & Valley East Kin Club

Public Relations Award - Kin Club of Valley East - Jeanine Bolger

Total CF Donation for District 8 for 2008-2009 - \$ 219,182.00

Saturday, June 12, 2009

8:00 a.m. credentials desks opened

Call to order at 9:05 a.m. by Governor Steve Lowe

O’Canada – Gary Gornik, Stouffville Kinsmen

Kin Song – Len Ptak, Erin Mills Kinsmen

Objects of the Association – Mike Croghan, North Bay Kinsmen

Moment of Silence observed to commemorate those who have gone before us and Gov Steve placed a symbolic rose before us.

Address to the Chair – Governor Steve, Special Guests from District 1

Sergeants-At-Arms as appointed yesterday Kin Bob Bolger, Kin Club of Valley East, and Kin Lawrence Gatzka, Kinsmen Club of Sault Ste. Marie.

Rules and Order Chair – DG Charlotte Stephenson, Bowmanville Kinettes as yesterday.

Introductions of DG’s, District Executive, and Past National and District Officers

Welcome from Governor Steve.

Welcome Convention Chair - Brian Eardley run down and updates on today’s events.

Roll Call – Pat Payne

Credentials Report – DG Charlotte reported 76 signed delegates making 2/3's 51 votes, simple majority 39 votes. Poll votes there are 438 available votes plus 20 delegates at large for a total of 458 making a simple majority 230 and 2/3's 305 votes.

DG Charlotte made a motion to accept the credentials report, seconded by William Brown, Erin Mills Kinsmen Club. **CARRIED**

2nd call for Governor none

2nd Call for Vice Governor - Randy Samms has come off the floor making it an election

AD Dave encouraged everyone to review the awards and participate. They are very educational and can be fun as well as a personal challenge.

AD Dave opened the floor for open discussion on the Resolutions we are about to discuss. DG Charlotte Stephenson made a motion to go into a committee of the whole for 10 minutes. Seconded by Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville. **CARRIED**

AD Dave requested 10 minutes extension for committee of the whole. DG Charlotte Stephenson made a motion to extend for 10 more minutes of the committee of the whole. Seconded by Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville. **CARRIED**

AD Dave requested to come out of the committee of the whole as time is up. William Brown, Erin Mills Kinsmen made a motion to come out of the committee of the whole. Seconded by Les Mayer, Kin Club of Valley East. **CARRIED**

AD Dave explained that we would entertain 3 speakers for and 3 speakers against and call the question.

Resolution #1 – NVP Fund – Intent: lower the cap and change the annual amount rolled into it. Motioned by District Council, seconded by Annette O'Connor, Kinsmen & Kinette Clubs of Pickering. **CARRIED**

Resolution #2 – District Charter Fund – Intent: to lower the maximum balance. Motioned by the District Council, seconded by Shirley Heaps, Kinette Club of Sutton. **CARRIED**

Resolution #3 – Combine DLS & Pre-Term – Intent: to lower financial burden on the District. Motioned by the District Council, seconded by William Brown, Erin Mills Kinsmen. 1 opposed. **CARRIED**.

Resolution #4 – Combine FLC & President's Seminar – Intent: to lower financial burden on the District. Motioned by the District Council, seconded by George denHaan, Kinsmen Club of Georgetown. Ruled as housekeeping. **CARRIED**

Resolution #5 – Zone Restructure – Withdrawn by District Council

Resolution #6 – DG's representing Zones – Intent: to lower financial burden on the District. Motioned by the District Council, seconded by Millie Jones, Bobcaygeon Kinettes. Many speakers and questions coming off the floor, a lot of confusion so AD Dave requested to go into a committee of the whole. Kin Randy Cruickshank made a motion to go into a committee of the whole for 10 minutes. Seconded by Lawrence Gatza, Sault Ste. Marie Kinsmen. **CARRIED**

Andy Hughes made a motion to close the committee of the whole. Seconded by Shirley Heaps. **CARRIED**

Rules and Order Chair Charlotte Stephenson ruled that Resolution 6 is out of order based on wording in the whereas portion. Therefore, resolution #6 has been withdrawn by the District Council. **OUT OF ORDER**

William Brown, Erin Mills Kinsmen made a motion to rule the proposed district budget out of order and move that district dues be removed from the district budget and reinstate Zone Budgets. Seconded by Kin Len Ptak. **TABLED**

Terry Lascos made a motion to table to the afternoon business when the budget is being discussed. Seconded by Andy Hughes. **CARRIED**

National Convention Presentation – Denny Pyatt

National Resolutions – B1 – withdrawn

AD Dave presented Vision 2020

AD Dave mentioned the adoption of Vision 2014 for the District level

AWARDS LUNCHEON

Kin Grace – Jeanine Bolger, District Membership Director

Governor Steve presented awards with District Secretary Pat assisting.

Kinsmen Quill – George denHaan, Kinsmen Club of Bolton

Kinette Jr. Bulletin – Kinette Club of Sutton, Editor Janet Popp

Kinsmen Sr. Bulletin – Kin Club of Valley East, Editor Life Member Mary Lou Bolger

Website – Kinsmen Club of Peterborough, Webmaster Adam Coleman

Service Award – Kinsmen & Kinettes Clubs of Pickering, Santa Clause Parade, Maureen Emmons

Russ Kinsmen Service Award – Kinsmen Club of Barrie, Fireworks & Kin Club of Valley East, Yellow Brick Road

P.R. Award – Kinsmen Club of Minden, Heather Hughes & Tammy Douglas

HREF Cheque Presentation – cheque presentation made and accepted by Terry Lascos and Samantha Bolger

Pin Exchange with District Council

Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville, made a motion to go into the committee of the whole. Seconded by Dave Pelchat. **CARRIED**

Gary Newton made a motion to come out of the committee of the whole. Seconded by Dave Copeland, Kinsmen Club of Sudbury.

CARRIED

Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville, made a motion that Mid Ontario be serviced with one DG. Seconded by Al Simpson, Kinsmen Club of Brighton. **DEFEATED**

Hal Roger's Endowment Fund – Terry Lascos present the report for this year, Samantha Bolger was one of the winners and is here with us today.

National President's Presentation – Chartering a new course of action being planned, to help offset costs involved and encourage new membership and charters.

George denHaan, Kinsmen Club of Bolton made a motion to increase the membership portion of the budget to \$4000.00 with \$2000.00 being allocated to helping increase membership and help clubs that are struggling. Seconded by Cherie Anderson, Kin Club of Valley East. Count 23 In favour, 24 not in favour, 3 abstained. **DEFEATED**

Brian Macklin, District Treasurer made a motion to increase dues to \$80.00 per member for the upcoming year. Seconded by Andy Hughes, Kinsmen & Kinette Clubs of Pickering. **CARRIED.**

Brian Macklin, District Treasurer made a motion to accept the budget as presented with the changes reflected based on the motions passed. Seconded by Jeanine Bolger, District Membership Director. **CARRIED.**

William Brown, Erin Mills Kinsmen has withdrawn his motion to reject the budget.

3rd call for Governor seeing none - Congrats to Ed Dawson

3rd Call for Vice Governor - none – therefore we will go into campaign speeches from Len Ptak and Randy Samms

Motion made by Randy Cruickshank, Kinsmen Club of Bowmanville to close nominations for Governor, seconded by Scott Kippen, Kinsmen Club of Bowmanville. **CARRIED**

Motion made by Dave Copeland, Sudbury Kinsmen to close nominations for Vice Governor, seconded by Andrew Suggitt, Barrie Kinsmen. **CARRIED**

William Brown, Kinsmen Club of Erin Mills made a motion to reinstate Zone Budgets. Seconded by Brian Eardley, Kinsmen Club of Mississauga. **DEFEATED.**

Each candidate presented their platform and teams. Election by secret ballot based on this morning stats. While the results were being tabulated AD presented the National Draft Budget. Highlights; insurance is down, marketing levy, National President's expenses are up with a result of National dues being \$113.21 plus insurance 30.68 for a total of \$143.89 per member of which \$88.71 may come out of service.

Announcement of winner Len Ptak for Vice Governor 2009/2010

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Membership Presentation – Jeanine Bolger, DMD – thanked everyone for a great year. So far our numbers are even but with the charter of the Kinette Club of Barrie should end up in the plus. Presented New Member Honour Roll and their sponsors as printed and handed out on the tables. Discussed sponsors not being filled in on the form submitted to National. Anniversary card initiative was discussed, well received but with errors, request to send information to clubs for accuracy prior to next year. Presented certificates and welcome's to new members for the month of May. Look forward to doing it all again next year, as this is the best position on the team. Reminder to submit new email addresses to the District Council as often they bounce back.

FLC Presentation – Sault Ste Marie – Oct 16, 17 & 18 with a Halloween theme, prizes for best costume, karaoke, and pub crawl.

Jeanine Bolger, DMD announced that her Fraternity Hospitality Suite turned a profit last night and she made a motion to donate \$90.50 to C.F.

The abduction of Kin Pig from the Kin Club of Valley East was discussed and resolved that she may never return. Many tearful memories and looks were exchanged. Kin Jeanine did pose a fine that whomever does turn her in should have to match the \$100.00 ransom that has already been paid for her despite her return.

Passion was introduced to all delegates and offered for pictures session if anyone so wished. She is part of the We Are All Kin from National Convention 2008 and her whereabouts are being tracked at National. Her next trip pending approval is to Kandahar. It was also stated that Pride was expected to show up in Orangeville.

Updates from Convention Chair.

Good of Kin – Sutton will be celebrating their 50th, Orangeville celebrating anniversary on May 6th.

- Governor Steve was thanked for keeping business short and on time
- Many thanks you's to the Kinsmen Club of Mississauga for hosting a great convention
- Thank you from Samantha Bolger, Kin Club of Valley East for a great first convention, and the opportunity to grow, learn and make friends. She also expressed her gratitude for the HREF bursary.
- Thanked everyone for keeping business running smooth despite resolutions and budgets.

Sergeant-At-Arm's – Gary Gornik, Kinsmen Club of Stouffville made a motion to donate \$96.28 to Cystic Fibrosis from the fines raised today. Seconded by Eileen Dutchek, Kinette Club of Keswick. **CARRIED**

Adjournment

Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Randy Samms, Kinsmen Club of Porcupine.

CARRIED

Governors Ball 2008-2009
June 13, 2009

Arrival of Head Table –Dave Ronson, AD and Master of Ceremony, Ed Dawson, Vice Governor and Secretary Jean Dawson, Steve Lowe, Governor and Secretary Pat Payne.

O’Canada – Scott Bolger

Kin Song – randy Cruickshank

Toast to the Association – Mike Croghan

Reply to the Toast – Dave Ronson

Moment of Silence – Steve Lowe

Kin Grace – DG Charlotte Stephenson

Dinner

Introductions of the outgoing District Council – Zone A – Randy Samms, Zone B – Scott Bolger, Zone C – Andy Hughes, Zone D – Will Creighton, Zone H – Kathy Alexander & John Doutre, Zone I – Charlotte Stephenson, C.F. & Service Directors Randy Cruickshank & Manon Bolger, District Membership Director Jeanine Bolger, Association Director Dave Ronson, Secretary Pat Payne, Treasurer Brian Macklin, Vice Governor Ed Dawson, and himself Steve Lowe

Public Speaking Kinette Winner – Runner up – Terry Lascos, Kinette Club of Orangeville.

- Samantha Bolger, Kin Club of Valley East

Public Speaking Kinsmen Winner – Runner up – Andrew Suggitt, Kinsmen Club of Barrie

- Gord Norris, Kinsmen Club of Porcupine

Outstanding DG Presentations - Zone I – Durham – Charlotte Stephenson, Kinette Club of Bowmanville

- Zone B – Algoma Rainbow Scott Bolger, Kin Club of Valley East

Installation of District Governor Elect – Ed Dawson

Remarks from Governor Elect Ed Dawson

Closing remarks from Governor Steve Lowe

Prom King and Queen was Andy & Heather Hughes.

Minutes taken jointly by Pat Payne and Jeanine Bolger.