

From the Desk of the Deputy Governor

Hi everyone. First off would like to thank all the presidents who attend the council meeting. Well were heading into our 4th month, I hope everyone is getting back into the swing of things.

DISTRICT

I attend FLC Nov 12-14. All the seminars were definitely amazing and worth attending. We had 75 members in attendance. First timers were overwhelmed. If you have never attended a conference or convention, or if it is been awhile please consider attending District in Sudbury I can assure you it will well be worth your time. We also have a DG who has an in with a bus company we are looking at a bus to district for 3 zones Halton/Peel, Durham, and Zone C. The feedback so far has been good. There would be one central pick up location in each zone, ours would probably be in the south probably looking at the Oshawa Centre as a central location. I think this is great you don't have to worry about driving and can have some quality kin socializing on the way up and back. Another bonus is you can get as happy as you like on Sat night and not worry about driving. More info to follow. Please let me know ASAP if it something your club would be interested in and how many are attending District Convention June 10th-14th in Sudbury

A couple of things came out in the seminars.

1. Clubs are frustrated turning in projects for awards and then they just disappear. This year's Award Chairperson Past Governor Ed Dawson has assured us all that any clubs competing for awards will receive a critique from him outlining what was good and what could possibly be worked on. I would like all clubs to consider entering for these awards.

2. The District banners have been retired and replaced with keeper plaques.

If your club has a district banner could you please let me know ASAP kindeb@hotmail.com or 905-985-0032.

3. We have been issued a challenge by the district, which I know we can meet. We have a new category called mixology. With this year's theme being 3 hour tour, District is asking each club to come up with a new drink called the SS Minnow.

ZONE

Well the zone has also been very busy.

1. Please mark your colanders for Sat March 5th for Spring Conference which will be held at the Ajax Heritage Centre. More info to follow.

2. In regards to mixology please bring your drink with you along with a printed copy of the recipe, enough for approx 4-5 judges shot glass amounts. Once the winner is picked the winner will go onto district to compete for our zone. If the winning club has no members attending please make sure I have a copy of your recipe I would be willing to make your drink for competition.
3. At the last Presidents meeting we discussed the Portraits of Honour as a Zone Project when it goes on tour. The Oshawa Kinsmen and K-40 has taken the bull by the horns and trying to set up a meeting with PNP Bruce Lloyd to do a presentation. The tentative date is Jan 20th at the Ajax Heritage Centre. We would like to have a couple of members of all clubs in the zone to attend. More info to follow.
4. ***If your club has a zone banner could you please let me know kindeb@hotmail.com or 905-985-0032***

Well I would like to thank both the Pickering Kinsmen and Kinettes and the Oshawa Kinsmen for their hospitality during my visitations. First off I was overwhelmed by the generous donation from Pickering towards a MRI machine for the Ajax-Pickering Hospital.

Oshawa it was a great dinner but must say all new to me. Think I proved I was not either a golfer or mini golfer seeing I pulled up the rear end (HaHa)

5. The next Zone Council Meeting will be held _____ at zone co-coordinator Charlottes home. Until next time please keep healthy and busy.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or comments.

Last but not least please keep informed what it happening at both the district and zone level through the district website www.district8kin.ca kin Gary Gornik of Stouffville works very hard at keeping the website up to date. He would also appreciate any comments or photo's you would like to submit of your club or a project you are involved in to put up on the website please send it to garygornik@rogers.com.

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Wishing you a happy and healthy
Start to the holiday season