



ZONE DURHAM KIN

Executive Meeting

Wednesday, November 23, 2011

Present: DG Deb, Co-ordinator Charlotte, Bowmanville President Aubrey, Pickering President Maureen, Oshawa Past President Dan Ginn, Uxbridge President Tony.

Absent: Ajax President Trent, Stouffville President Bruce, Past DG Gary.

Club Reports:

Ajax – no report submitted. The following was obtained from the club bulletins.

- October 15th held their annual Pumpkinville event.
- November 12th Seniors Fall Clean-up (postponed)
- December 10th Christmas Fundraiser Dinner
- December 5 shopping for Operation Santa
- December 17 delivering for Operation Santa

Bowmanville – Santa Parades held in Bowmanville and Newcastle both successful

- Christmas light tour coming up on Sunday, December 11th
- Pig Roast planned for spring (date TBA)
- Annual Lobsterfest planned for May (date TBA)

Oshawa – Hockey Tournament completed. 24 teams competed. Down from past years but still a successful weekend.

- Sunday, Dec. 18th is the Christmas Hamper event at Durham College. Planned for 140 hampers this year. Help would be appreciated.
- Yuk Yuk's event planned for May (date TBA). Club is considering a move of locations to Oshawa.

Pickering – Santa Claus Parade completed. Very successful event, televised on local cable and on CTV.

- Club still mourning the loss of Kinette Annette O'Connor
- Bingo's continue to be successful although the government regulations are making it increasingly difficult to use the revenue
- 10 members recently attended the Annual "Rose of Durham" auction which again was very successful
- Club is selling their annual Christmas cakes and cookies
- Annual gift and cookie exchange coming up
- Club annual Christmas dinner and social planned for Dec. 18th at the Fox and Fiddle Restaurant



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- Club is hosting Spring Conference on Sat. April 14th.

Stouffville – President Bruce emailed the following report on their club: The Stouffville Kinsmen Club is busy organizing the Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade to be held Sat. Dec. 3rd. It will be followed by a wrap up party at our house. The next event will be co-hosting of the Curling Bonspiel on Feb. 25th, 2012. For fund raising we will again be bartending at the SAHL annual banquet in April.

Uxbridge – Dec.8th is the annual Christmas Dinner and Auction at the local Legion hall. Kin Tony has tickets for anyone interested. Please call quickly as this event sells out early every year.

- Dec.10th will be the Christmas display lighting in Elgin Park
- Dec. 16th is the club Christmas Dinner and social at the Class Act Dinner Theatre in Whitby
- Dec. 17th the club will be running its 2nd annual Seniors Christmas Light tour.
- 1 new member has been installed and there are 4 more candidates
- Feb. family day the club will be hosting a BBQ for the public

Paperwork: Due date for annual paperwork submission has passed. We are still waiting for paperwork from Ajax, Bowmanville and Pickering. Please complete your submissions ASAP.

CF Report: We still do not have a Zone CF Rep.

- DG Deb gave a report on District CF plans
- Quest for Breath: District Service Director Dr. Erin Thompson will be doing a variation on the "Trek to Timmins". She is planning to kayak from Timmins to Orillia for District Convention. More details to follow in the spring. Check the District website for updates.
- Save your Silver – this is a new CF fund raiser. Each club is being asked to set up a donation tin for their club meetings. At each meeting, members are being asked to throw in their spare change and at the end of the Kin year, the proceeds will be donated to CF. It is hoped that this would be above your clubs annual donation.

District Convention: Governor Kathy is planning a one day event for this year. It will be held on Saturday, June 2nd at the Highwayman Inn in Orillia. All business will be conducted on that day, including Public speaking. This decision was made in part to encourage more people to attend National Convention which is being held this year in Peterborough. Please check the District website for more details.

Membership Update: Kin Tony reported that as of October 31st, 2011 Zone Durham is down 1 member since June 30th, 2011. District 8 is down 58 members in the same time period and nationally we are down 504 members.



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We must start taking measures to stop the decline. It is up to each member of each club to help by bringing in new prospective members. Just ask.

National Notice of Motion: There has been a N.O.M. circulated which will move to eliminate District 6 from the National standings. The remaining 2 zones in District 6 would be absorbed by District 8. This N.O.M. is scheduled for 2013. See the District website for the complete outline of the motion.

Spring Conference 2012: President Maureen gave a brief update on the plans for the conference. It will be held on Saturday, April 14th at the Ajax Heritage Centre. The theme for the event will be “Knights and Ladies of Kin” and members will be encouraged to dress for “court”. There is a plan to also make this a food bank donation event. More details will be coming in the New Year.

Dates to Remember: Feb. 25th, 2012 – District 8 Curling Bonspiel being held at the Orillia Curling Club. Please check out the flyer and registration forms on the District website.

Sat. Apr. 14th – Zone Durham Spring Conference

Sat. June 2nd - District Convention in Orillia

Next Meeting will be Wednesday January 18th, 2012 at Knette Charlotte’s home. 7:00 start time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 followed by a brief social. Merry Christmas to all members of Zone Durham.