

# **KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGETOWN**

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## **NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK OF 31 AUGUST 2009**

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### **August 27, 2009**

Twenty members welcomed nineteen guests to our last summer meeting. It was a cool but dry evening! It was great to have PLG Ken and Luella Monteith from the Kiwanis Club of St. Thomas and PP Bob Logan from the Kiwanis Club of Rodney and West Lorne. Key Club President Brendan and former Key Club member Rebecca joined us as well as Bethe Carnie, Maxine Guyitt, Bev Fuller, Pat Rumble, Marian Vissers, Liz and Brian Hoskins, Linnly Hoskins, Shannon Hoskins, Patti Smith, Rosemary Mitton and Jen Vaughan.

Thanks to everyone who hosted a summer meeting. Our relaxed summer meetings give us a chance to take a break and enjoy some social time together.

September 3 meeting is back at the church. Our speaker will be Art Stirling. Art is the Director of Community Relations and Fund Development at the Children's Treatment Centre Foundation of Chatham Kent.



**Past President June visits with our guests Bob Logan, Kiwanis Club of Rodney and Ken and Luella Monteith, Kiwanis Club of St. Thomas**

**KIWANIS is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.**

Club Website: <http://www.ridgetownkiwanis.com>

E.C.& C. District Website: [www.kiwanisecc.org](http://www.kiwanisecc.org)

Kiwanis International Website: [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)



### THANK YOU FROM RIDGETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT

I would like to thank you for giving your donation to the Ridgetown Public School. The donation helped pay the registration for me to attend the Ontario Educational Leadership Centre camp. OELC camp is for young leaders from grades seven and eight. Throughout the camp you will go to courses and do things that will help you become a better leader and help you develop things that you can take back to your community.

I got to pick four courses out of eight that would help me increase the skills that I have. The first course I choose was “say yes to stress”. I did yoga, stretches to relax, and mind relaxing exercises.

The next course I took was “time management”. I learned that when you are trying to get things done, you should always do the one that is due first, or the one that is worth more grade level. During the work group, our group won because we did the ones that were worth more points.

The third course I took was “Inuit blanket”. In Inuit I learned trust and teamwork. There were two things that we had to do that involved trust and teamwork. The first one was a long log that was attached to six little stumps. Everyone had to get on a log and stumps and try to get in order of your tag number without stepping on the ground. The hard part was that only three people could talk. The next one was the Inuit blanket itself. One person would go on the tarp, and everyone would hang on the rope and on go you would pull the rope out, making the person go in the air.

The last course I took was “presentations”. In presentations I learned skills that I can use when I am doing presentations at school and home. The things I need to work on is posture (No moving around), saying UM and eye contact.

In OELC you have a brother cabin. With our brother cabin we organized an event that everybody in the camp could play. Our event was a human scavenger hunt. People in our group would hide in spots around the camp and people would search for them. When they found them the hidiers would give them their initials.

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After learning all these event planning skills I am going to organize a year book club for my school. This is because last year was the first time our school didn't have a year book.

Thank you!

Shelby Johnston

Each year our club supports the school to send students to this camp. The camp clearly supports the mission of Kiwanis.

Thanks to Shelby for sharing her experience with us.

### THE END OF SUMMER



**“ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE”**

The Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown meets weekly at 6:30 pm in the basement of the Mount Zion Presbyterian Church, 59 Main St. E., Ridgetown, every Thursday, from September 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Summer meetings are hosted by members at various local addresses.



**MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE**

September 3     Art Stirling  
October 15     2009/2010 officer installation  
October 29     Quiz Night  
2010  
February 11     Quiz Night

**CLUB SURVEY AND COMMITTEE SHEETS**

Please return your club survey and committee sheets to me. For those members who have not been at a meeting for the past couple of weeks – I have mailed you a package of the survey and committee sheet to complete. It is time to start our plans for next year and these two forms are critical to the planning process.

Thanks  
President Debbie



**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

**You've got a lot of choices. If getting out of bed in the morning is a chore and you're not smiling on a regular basis, try another choice. ~Steven D. Woodhull**

**Now that it's all over, what did you really do yesterday that's worth mentioning? ~Coleman Cox**



**CLUB OFFICERS:**

President: Debbie Button     Past President: June Guyitt

Vice-President: Alan Bloomfield

Secretary: Barb Doxtater     Treasurer: Gary Guyitt

**DIRECTORS:**

Dale Smith, John Button, Brad Carnie, John Case, (1 year)

Kevin Bartlett, Chris Arneill, Abdi Yuya, Kevin Hoskins (2 year)

**DISTRICT & DIVISION OFFICERS:**

Governor: Sheron Cameron-Dunn

Governor Elect: Gary Levine

Immediate Past Governor: Chuck McIlravey

Div. 4 Lt. Gov. Jim Garey

Div. 4 Past Lt. Gov. Randy Ross