

KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGETOWN

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NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK OF 19 JANUARY 2009

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JANUARY 15, 2009

Twenty-four members and Key Club VP Rebeccah welcomed guest Brian Hoskins and our speakers Nicole Ross, Julie Sharp and Lynn O'Brien.

Happy \$\$ - Kiwanian Bill Johnston had been on pins and needles all week about presenting the program for the evening. A little mix up in the program schedule – Bill will be presenting his program next week. \$ - PG Dr. John was happy to receive a gift for the loft from guest Nicole Ross, who gave the gift on behalf of PP Ross. \$ - Kiwanian John Case was happy for 42 years of the best mother-in-law and thanks to all the members for their condolences. \$ - Kiwanian Gary Wake's happy \$ was to correct last week's newsletter – the Christmas cakes are delivered, he doesn't pick them up, and he just happens to be in Stratford regularly to pick up the smoothies. \$ - PLG Peter's happy \$ - was to thank John Wright for picking up the canned goods in Dresden and delivering them to Wallaceburg. \$ - John Wright's happy \$ was to let us know that he kidnapped the members delivering the canned goods and took them on a couple of service calls that day.

Aktion Club – The Aktion Club will be selling chocolates for Valentine's Day. Treasurer Gary circulated a copy of the most recent Aktion Club District newsletter.

Key Club – Key Club were very busy with the recent open house at RDHS. They will have two teams participating in quiz night and will operate the concession stand.

President June thanked PLG Allen for all his work on Ridge Marsh Manor and thanked Secretary Barb for taking on this project as PLG Allen has resigned due to work commitments.



Kiwanian Abdi thanks our speakers Julie Sharp, Lynn O'Brien and Nicole Ross

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

E.C.& C. District Website: www.kiwanisecc.org

Kiwanis International Website: www.kiwanis.org



HEART & STROKE FOUNDATION

Kiwanian Chris introduced our speakers from the local branch of the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Lynn O'Brien is the area manager of Chatham-Kent Heart & Stroke Foundation, Julie Sharp is the co-ordinator of the Door-to-Door campaign and Nicole Ross is the Chair of the Missions Committee.

Lynn commended PLG Eberle for all his past work with the Heart and Stroke Foundation's door-to-door campaign. The local branch has two full time and three contract staff and 1500 volunteers.

The Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation issues research grants to many organizations including the Robarts Research Institute, University of Western Ontario, University of Toronto, University Health Network – over \$35 million in grants.

Heart disease and strokes are the leading cause of death in men and women. Donations to the Heart and Stoke are used for research as well as public awareness.

Mission Committee – Nicole Ross explained the role of the mission committee – advocacy and health promotion. Training sessions are held in communities to teach CPR.

The Ridgetown arena has two AED machines (defibrillators). These machines can be used by anyone and can save lives. The Heart and Stoke Foundation funds the purchase of these machines for public buildings.

Kiwanian John Wright reminded members of the defibrillators purchased by our club for the local fire departments. They are now obsolete. Nicole indicated that perhaps the Heart and Stroke Foundation could replace the obsolete machines.

They also promote a new program Heart Truth that teaches women how to improve their health.

February is Heart Month . Seventeen door-to-door canvassers are needed for Ridgetown. If you are able to help phone Julie Sharp at 519-354-6232.

For more information go to
www.heartandstroke.ca

DIVISION 4 ROBERTS GOLF TOURNAMENT

This year will be the 20th annual Division 4 Roberts Golf Tournament. The date is Wednesday, June 10, 2009. The committee will be planning a special tournament to mark the anniversary. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

RIDGE MARSH MANOR

There is an apartment ready for painting at Ridge Marsh Manor. Painting will take place on Friday, January 23 at 1:00 pm. Kevin Hoskins has a group of volunteers – Gary Wake, John Case, Chris Arneill, Abdi Yuya and Shawn Hoskins. If anyone else is able to help, contact Kevin.

MINUTES OF CLUB MEETING OF JANUARY 15TH, 2009

Present at tonight's meeting were 24 of our current membership of 38.

It was moved by John Case and seconded by Larry Rumble, that the revised Club Bylaws for the Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown, as prepared and circulated by PG Dr John Button be approved for submission to Kiwanis International. Motion carried by a large majority of those present.

Secretary Barb Doxtater

“ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE”

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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 1st through June 30th each year. Summer meetings are hosted by members at various local addresses.

MAYAN RIVIERA TICKETS



PP Dale reminded everyone to keep selling tickets on the all inclusive trip for two to the Mayan Riviera. The draw will be held at quiz night on February 5, 2009. PP Dale still has tickets to be sold.

MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE

2009	
Jan 20	CK Tri-club meeting hosted by President June
Jan 22	Presentation on Wind Turbines
Jan 29	Business & board meeting
Feb 5	Quiz night
Mar 19	Chili cookoff – Kiwanians Kevin & Debbie defend their title
Mar 26	Business & board meeting
Mar 28 & 29	Spring Craft Show
Apr 4	Kiwanis One Day – highway cleanup

RDHS OPEN HOUSE



CLUB OFFICERS:

President June Guyitt
Past President Randy Ross
Secretary Barb Doxtater

President-elect Debbie Button
Vice-president Alan Bloomfield
Treasurer Gary Guyitt

DIRECTORS:

Dale Smith, John Button, Brad Carnie, John Case, (1 year)
Kevin Bartlett, Chris Arneill, Abdi Yuya, Kevin Hoskins (1 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