



# Kiwanis®

**KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGETOWN**

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## **NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 1, 2014**

### **November 27, 2014 meeting**

Nineteen members welcomed guests Sheila Moore, Krystal Wright, Gail Vaughan and Allison Connoly.

**Happy \$\$** - IP Dr. John was happy to have represented Kiwanis International last week at the United Nations Headquarters in New York for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the launch of UNICEF's "Imagine Project". \$ - Kiwanian Larry was happy to present Mary Ann with a donation of \$300.00 to the splash pad from Tony DeCarlo from Bolton, ON. Kiwanian Larry will have another donation to the splash pad next Thursday – stay tuned! \$GE Allen was happy to report that PG Peter Tudisco is home and recovering from his recent surgery. \$ - Kiwanian Bill Johnston was happy that the Christmas lights in Kiwanis park were not up during the wind storm or we would have been picking them up at the other end of town. \$ - Kiwanian Mary Ann was happy to report on several successful fundraisers – Blues night \$1,000 and One Stop Christmas \$800.00. \$ - PP Craig was happy to hear of John & Debbie's successful trip to New York as he remembered the last time Kiwanis was to be in New York for IDD recognition it was cancelled due to 9-11. \$ - President Dennis was happy to have members of his family at the meeting – now niece Allison knows just how important his position really is!

### **From President Dennis:**

Thank you to Kiwanian Mary Ann and Treasurer Jenn for their work at the Blues night fundraiser. Thank you to Kiwanian Wendy for all her work on the Bracebridge Dinner. Thank you to Kiwanians Mary Ann, Gary & June Guyitt and Debbie for their work on the One Stop Christmas Shop. Thank you to Kiwanian Larry and VP Keith for making the trip to Toronto to pick up the donated candy for the Santa Claus Parade.

President Dennis explained to our guests that there are two important lists – one you want to be on – Santa's list – and one you don't want to be on – Kiwanian Mary Ann's! Kiwanian Brian Hoskins knew if he didn't pay for the picture in the paper for both members he would be back on the wrong list.

President Dennis shared with members that the Salvation Army is in need of help at their Christmas Kettles in town. If you are able to give any time please contact the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army provides a very needed service in our town and it would be good for them and for Kiwanis if we could help.

**Christmas Cakes and Chocolates** – keep selling! If you need more contact Kiwanian Gary Wake.

Following dinner many members and guests made their way to the Crazy 8 Barn in Palmyra. There, owner Suzanne Spence helped some members create a Christmas decoration for their home. While some created, some enjoyed some Christmas cheer and fellowship.

The Swaggers - Creating Christmas decorations!



The staggers - waiting for the finished products!



Sharing the ribbon!



Not sure what was going on?



Vanna impression!

The Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown meets weekly at 6:30 pm in the basement of 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.

## INTERCLUB OPPORTUNITIES

2015  
Jan 24 Detroit #1 Club celebrates 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Gala dinner and entertainment at Renaissance Centre, Detroit. The following link has more information.  
[Detroit 2015](#)  
Tickets are going fast.

## Kiwanis Timeline

**1947**  
The first Circle K International club, for college and university male students, is chartered.

**1952**  
Key Club charts its 1,000th club.

**1959**  
Kiwanis International moves its office to 101 East Erie Street in Chicago.

**1961**  
Kiwanis International is 5,000 clubs strong. Kiwanis International convention delegates vote to open clubs outside the United States and Canada at the International Convention in Toronto, ON.

**1962 - MAY 15**  
The Kiwanis Club of Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico, becomes the first club organized outside the United States and Canada.

## MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE

Dec 4 Business & board meeting & candy pack  
Dec 11 Children's Christmas party  
Dec 13 Annual Santa Claus Parade  
Dec 18 Christmas dinner meeting – guests/partners invited  
Dec 25 Merry Christmas! (no meeting)



**1963 - FEBRUARY 25**  
The first club in Europe is organized, in Vienna, Austria.

**1964**  
Tokyo, Japan, joins Kiwanis as the first club in Asia.

**1967 - JULY 7**  
The first club in Central/ South America is organized in Bucaramanga, Colombia. Key Club grows beyond the United States and Canada, forming a club in Nassau, Bahamas.

**1968**  
Kiwanis International Europe is formed.

### 2014-15 CLUB OFFICERS:

President: Dennis Vaughan  
President-elect: John Wright  
Treasurer: Jenn Vaughan

Past President: Brian Dunlop  
Vice President: Keith Hamilton  
Secretary: Alan Bloomfield

### DIRECTORS:

Gary Guyitt, Bill Johnston, Greg Roberts, Kori Wright (1 year)  
Mary Ann Hawthorne, Brian Hoskins, Craig Mitton, Dale Smith, (2 years)

### DISTRICT & DIVISION OFFICERS:

Governor: Serge Viau  
Governor -elect: Allen Ure  
Vice Governor: Phil Rossy  
Division 4 Lt. Governor: Sandra Collier