Perth Civitan Express

Bob Burch, Engineer

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President's Message

April is fast approaching, which means that we are also fast approaching our election date, to name our new executive. This is something that should not be taken lightly, but also not with any trepidation. I can assure you that neither Karen or I carry whips or big sticks. Every member should take an interest in the election process, regardless if you have been a member for 20 years or 20 days. This is your club and if you do not help in the process of leading the club, either by striving to join the executive, or backing the executive, then I don't feel you should have any complaints. Please, look around you at your fellow members, and if there is someone you feel would be an asset to the board as a Director or any other position, ask them if they would stand for election, and if they agree, present their name at the next meeting or contact the nominating committee. On the other side of the coin, if you feel yourself that you would be an asset to the board, approach the nominating committee, consisting of the three Presidents, and they will put your name forward, or ask another member to nominate you. We need your help and direction in guiding our club.

Things are getting busier each week now, and we can, of course, use extra help, especially in the kitchen. You don't necessarily have to cook or organize a meal, but could help in the preparation or clean up. If you can spare some time, please contact me, and I will put you in touch with the appropriate people. We had two dinners and two lunch events in March and there are two luncheons coming up in the first half of April. The Murder Mystery dinner was held this Month, with 130 people served, and a great time was obviously held by all. For those of you who were lucky to get tickets to the Black Tie Bingo presented by the Hospital, I know you also will have a good time.

Carol and I are off to Florida next week, and won't be back until the first week of May. I promise to think of all of you at least once while I am sitting on the beach.

Bill

Hall AED

Nancy McNicol was called on in March to use the AED during a medical emergency.

An adult male suffered a heart attack during a bar at the hall and Nancy, with some help, was able to successfully use the AED from the hall to revive the individual before the ambulance arrived. He was taken to hospital and last I heard was home after treatment in Kingston.

Tony has checked the AED and the battery has been replaced. It is there ready for the next time it might be needed. Do not be afraid to use this device as it can save lives.

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Board of Directors
President Bill Kelleher, Past President Bob Farnel, President Elect Karen Lindop-Beckwith, Secretary Donna Ferguson, Treasurer Wendy Robinson. Directors: Bobbi-Jo Jarvis, Debbie Ryder, Bonnie Ennis, Bill McNicol, Chris Whittaker and Bill Kelford

April is Civitan Awareness Month
Pioneer Maple Days April 3rd
www.2016lanarkcountytourism.ca
Black Tie Bingo April 9th
Civitan Awareness Meeting April 26th
International President's Visit April 28th
CDE District Spring Meeting April 29th & 30th

CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL WE ARE THE KEY

This month's birthday wishes go out to Marilyn Burch, Barb Larmondin, Donna Ferguson, Jenna Sweeney, Marianne Whitaker, Nancy Smith, Don Rubino and Joe Ferguson. Celebrating an anniversary this month is Carol and Dale Buchanan.

Best Wishes to all.

Treasurer's Chest

Did you know... that we have changed the coolers at the bar? We have replaced the Vex coolers with Palm Bay coolers and the good news is we do not have to increase bar prices! This change is on a trial basis as we have had several requests for coolers other than Vex.

Did you know ... there are plastic baggies in the bar area marked as "Canteen" & "Member Drinks" that are to be used if you are at the hall (other than a club meeting or event)? If you are working around the hall or after bingo or prepping for a catering event or at an Executive or Committee meeting and have a pop/water or bar drink, please put your money in the appropriately marked plastic bag and drop it in the safe. This will help Civitan Bob Burch and myself to credit the right category - 'Canteen' or 'Bar-HST'.

If you have a specific question about our financials, please do not hesitate to ask! If you are wondering about something, chances are there are others who are wondering about the same thing!

Wendy

Club Elections

The elections will take place at the business meeting on May 10th. Although nominations close at the end of the executive meeting on May 3rd, a slate of officers must be in place by the end of the Entertainment Meeting on April 26th.

The Nominating Committee made up of the Past President, President Elect and chaired by the President is responsible to ensure the slate of officers.

However it is up to the membership to see our club succeed by stepping up and volunteering for a position on the executive. The hard part each year seems to be getting someone to accept the nomination for President Elect. Don't be nervous about this position as you will have lots of help and a full year to get comfortable with it.

Working on the executive is good experience. You learn to work with others and manage a very active club. It has it's challenges but is very rewarding.

Our club is well respected in the community we serve. Come out and help perpetuate the community presence we have cultivated over the past 50 years.

The nominations so far are:

Secretary:	Donna Ferguson
Treasurer:	Wendy Robinson
Directors:	Bonnie Ennis, Bill McNicol, Bryan Wiltsie, Bill Kelford and Christ Whittaker

The only ones among you who will be truly happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve.
-Albert Schweitzer

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Quilters 1st & 3rd Mondays	Bridge Club Thursdays at 6p Senior's Exercise Class Tuesday & Thursday 9.30a—11.00a				1 Stag & Doe 8p-1a Team #2	2
3	4	5 Executive Meeting 7pm	6 Super Dauber Canteen Cathie McCabe Pat Massey	7	8 Stag & Doe 8p-1a Team #3	9 Scouts Car Rally All Day
10 Burgesswood Meeting	11	12 General Meeting 7pm	13 A Team Canteen Carol Kelleher Donna Ferguson NAFR Meeting	14	15 Stag & Doe 8p-1a Team #4	16
17	18	19	20 Artistocats Canteen Trish McCon-nell Suzanne Bourbonaise	21	22 Stag & Doe 8p-1a Team #6	23 Wedding Reception 8p-1a Team #7
24 Perth Country Jam	25	26 Entertainment Meeting 7pm	27 Senators Canteen Carol Smith Nelda Wark	28	29	30

Visit by International President of Civitan

The International President of Civitan will be attending the Canadian East District Spring Convention on April 29th and 30th in Aylmer, Que. However she is scheduled to visit various clubs before the convention.

The published schedule says she will be in Perth about 2.00 p.m., April 28th for a 30 minute visit before being spirited off to Almonte. It is listed on the itinerary as a tour, visit and photo op.

International President Debbie Juhlke is a long time member of the Heart of the Rock Civitan Club in Texas. She has served as club president, district governor, and regional director. An active recruiter for Civitan, Debbie has built 11 Civitan clubs and eight Junior Civitan clubs. Debbie works as a Human Resources Manager for Exfluor Research Corporation in Texas. She is a graduate of Texas Eastern School of Nursing and Central Texas College, with a Bachelor's of Science degree. She lives in Round Rock with her husband Timothy, and has three adult children (Shay'La Harris; Arthur Bryan II, Esq., and Jonathan Bryan).

Bar Update

We are now stocking Palm Breeze coolers instead of VEX on a trial basis and they certainly sold well on the first event where they were stocked. There are four versions, Ruby Grapefruit, Pineapple Mandarin Orange, Key Lime Cherry and Strawberry Pineapple. There is a list on the cupboard door where the old VEX list was.

There have been some issues with the jiggers not providing consistent measured 1 oz drinks. The remedy is two dispensers for 3 bottles of alcohol each. They will dispense exactly 1 oz and do it on a consistent basis. Karen will train each crew on the use of these dispensers. There is a lever to activate the pouring of the liquor and it should be easy to dispense alcohol and change bottles as required.

Easter Hi-Jinks

Bingo Bunny has a whole new meaning. The Easter Bunny showed up at our March 23rd bingo to visit with the players and hand out Easter Eggs and daubers. I understand Wendy Robinson, Julie and Bryan Wiltsie were responsible for this stellar idea and the customers had a great time. More photos are available on our facebook page.