

THE BULLETIN



Kiwanis Lakeshore

April 15, 2020

19:00 via video conference

Word from the President

Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

Please note that our meeting this Wednesday, April 15th will be held at 7 to 8 p.m. by video conference

As we continue to see the drastic impact that the pandemic is having on our fellow citizens, we are also witnessing the amazing resiliency of everyone from the tremendous leadership demonstrated by all levels of government to the heroism of the frontline health care workers and the dedicated efforts by people throughout all facets of the essential services.

Every day we also see the solidarity, support and kind acts that citizens have for one another demonstrated in very touching ways. It certainly makes one proud to be a Canadian!

Thanks to technology we can stay informed in real time and follow how our leaders are reacting to flatten the curve giving us hope that, although there is a long way to go, we will win this battle!

Technology has been on display throughout; its impact is clearly visible and we can only imagine how it will evolve and change our lives as we come out of this to resume normalcy.

Thanks to technology and our dedication to helping others, our club has been able to adapt to the new challenges as we face the restrictions imposed on us recently; along with the challenges have come new opportunities for our club. Faced with having to cancel our long-running Golf Tournament, we are finding new ways of fundraising; and we can continue functioning as a club through video conferencing in all our meetings.

When I accepted to be President last year, there seemed to be a fairly straightforward path through to the end of September 2020.

Even with the loss of the valuable funding provided through Bingo, our club was intent on maintaining support to our beneficiary organizations and our members were ready to give extra efforts to the Nuts and Cakes Campaign and to increase revenue from the Golf Tournament. As well, there was a potential for more funds to be raised by establishing a new source of revenue, a Thanksgiving Benefit event.

Suddenly in early March the path forward abruptly changed and now we must adapt our efforts in response to the new challenges.

Our response at this time is to launch a mail campaign to replace the funds that would have been raised through the Peter Bedard Memorial Kiwanis Golf Tournament; we will begin this campaign with a letter to all the stakeholders in our Golf Tournament and will present this approach at Dinner this Wednesday.

I realize that many of you also have great ideas on how we can raise more money and I look forward to discussing your ideas with you in the coming days and weeks!

See you at 7 p.m. Wednesday; till then, stay well everyone,

Yours in service,
Andy Sarrasin

Annual General Meeting:

As previously published, our dinner meeting of May 6, 2020 will serve as our AGM at which time we will elect club officials for the coming year. Please see the election ballot below, as put forth by the Nominations Committee comprised of Kiwanians J. Narasimhadevara, C. Aubert, and A. Sarrasin.

To nominate a member in advance:

Please send your nomination to Secretary Ruth at ruthkathleenpelletier@gmail.com. The Board will prepare the slate of candidates for the election ahead of time.

Please note:

Any qualified, consenting member may be nominated either in advance or from the floor and must accept the nomination.

Proxy ballots are allowed, absentee ballots are not:

The proxy must be valid to be counted as outlined below.

- It must be signed or come from the member's personal email address.
- It must state the candidate voted for AND/OR
- It must indicate who will cast the proxy vote

Please refer to our by-laws for more details.

Past President Christian, Vice-President Jag and yours truly have had several discussions on how to maintain the stability of the club in light of the pandemic; we feel that the best way to maintain stability at this time is for the three of us to remain in office for one more term, and we hope that you will support this decision.

ELECTION BALLOT – MAY 6, 2020 - KIWANIS CLUB OF LAKESHORE MONTREAL CLUB:

The following names are placed in nomination for the Board of Directors of the Club:

(★) Indicates those requiring a vote, others have been previously elected.

Officers

- ★ President Elect: A. Sarrasin (ending 2021)
- ★ Past President Elect: C. Aubert (ending 2021)
- Secretary: R. Pelletier (Appointed: ending 2021)
- ★ Vice-President Elect: J. Narasimhadevara (ending 2021)
- ★ Treasurer Elect: G. Talbot (ending 2021)

Directors

- Director: Paulette Zielinski (ending 2021)
- Director: Jo Ann Davies (ending 2022)
- Director: Chantale Theroux (ending 2022)
- ★ Director Elect: Ron Della Porta (ending 2021)
- ★ Director Elect: Brian Abraham (ending 2023)
- ★ Director Elect: Daniel Khoury (ending 2023)

FOUNDATION: (NB must be members of both boards): The following names are placed in nomination for the Foundation.

- C. Aubert: Foundation President (ending 2021)
- G. Talbot: Treasurer Elect: (ending 2021)
- Andrew Sarrasin: Ex officio (ending 2021)

For the record: There are two Board Members whose terms will end on September 30, 2020.

Treasurer, Wim Laarhoven (end of term) Bravo on his unwavering dedication for over a decade!

Director, Leonard Stern (end of term) after many dedicated years on the Board.

We extend our sincere appreciation to former Directors, Madelane Riley and Arthur Benilous, for their dedication on the Board.

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