



# Canadian District West

## Beaver Tales



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## GOVERNOR DEBBIE'S MESSAGE

A new Civitan year has begun with a new slogan "Civitans Pay it Forward". As Civitans we have been doing this quietly for years, now we will proclaim it publicly.

I would like to thank again the clubs that invited me to install their new club officers and made me feel welcome in my new position. I enjoyed meeting with long time Civitans and several new members of Civitan as well.

Have you added new members since October 1<sup>st</sup>? If not, do you have plans for an information night? If you don't make the effort to invite new people to your club they will not magically appear. Finding a new project for your club will lead you on a different path, new members are waiting there. If your club needs help with an Information night please ask we have several members willing to help. There are also several tools on the Civitan International website to assist you on having a successful Information night.

### **If we do not grow, we will cease to exist!**

This year we no longer have a One Day convention in November. The membership voted to hold a modified weekend in February, since most Civitans felt we were losing the Fellowship of Civitan. Please plan on attending this weekend.

Gov-Elect Owen is busy making plans to attend the Gov-Elects Academy in January. Safe travels Owen.

Please consider placing your name forward for the elected position of Area Director or Governor-Elect. New people, new ideas!

Thank you to Past Governor Paul Scudds for a successful year and for his continuing support.

Bill and I wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.



**Civitans Pay it Forward**

## Dates and events going on in “CIVITAN” to remember:

December 25TH, 2010 Christmas Day

January 14TH to 18TH, 2011 (Fri.-Tues.) Governors-Elect Academy in Birmingham AL

January 28TH to February 1ST, 2011 (Fri.-Tues.) Junior Civitan International Sno-Do Barrie

January 29TH, 2011 Sno-Do Banquet and meet the International President Gay AARON - Barrie

January 31ST, 2011 (Sun.) Postmark Deadline for Shropshire Scholarship Applications

January 30TH to February 5TH, 2011 (Sun.-Sat.) Clergy Appreciation Week

February 2011 Junior Civitan International Appreciation Month

February 12TH and 13TH, 2011 CDE Winter Convention - Bells Corners

February 19TH and 20TH, 2011 CDW Winter Convention - Stratford

February 20TH, 2011 CDW board meeting - Stratford

February 25TH, 2011 - Mississauga Civitan Clubs 44TH Anniversary



March 3RD to 6TH, 2011 (Thurs.-Sun.) Governors' Update Meeting

March 11TH, 2011 - Agincourt Civitan Clubs 45TH Anniversary

March 11TH to 14TH, 2011 (Fri.-Mon.) Junior Civitan International Dance-a-thon in Midland

## Canadian District West Needs You!

It's time to start thinking of running for an elected district position for 2011 - 2012! There are three positions that will come up for election in April at the "On Day Convention". The positions are as follows;

- **AREA DIRECTOR (two):** where you have the opportunity of getting out and working with other clubs in their communities. And be part of the Board. Please review the job description (D-1000 - 5 and D-400 - 14) and application (end of D-400) located in the District Policy Manual or District Web Site
- **PAST GOVERNOR DIRECTOR:** well for this one you have to have serviced as a "District Governor". Please review the job description (D-1000 - 5) located in the District Policy Manual or District Web Site
- **GOVERNOR-ELECT:** challenge your team building skills and lead the district to follow Owen Marchant in 2012 - 2013. Don't worry, you will have the opportunity to be training by Civitan International in an action packed four days on the month of January 2012 in beautiful Birmingham Alabama where the temperature if you are lucky will be warmer than Southern Ontario. Please review the job description (D-1000 - 4 and D-400 - 14) and application (end of D-400) located in the District Policy Manual or District Web Site.

Past Governor Paul SCUDDS is the nomination chair for this years elections and would love to speak to you about any of the elected positions. Don't sit in the back row, be part of the action to lead this District to new heights!

Copies of the above noted documents can also be obtained from Past Governor Paul SCUDDS if you do not have access to them to assist you in evaluating and running for one of these positions in Canadian District West.

## 2010 – 2011 “Sponsor-a-Member Competition”

The membership department of Civitan International are once again offering a challenge to the leadership of the clubs and district officers offering the “Sponsor-a-Member Competition” to encourage the leaders to lead by example and get the ball rolling in sponsoring new members into the clubs of the district. The leaders identified in the competition at the club level are the president, president-elect, secretary and treasurer. The leadership at the district level are the governor, governor-elect, secretary, treasurer, bulletin editor, judge advocate, awards chair, fruit cake chair, candy box chair, junior chair, and four area directors.



Historically over the 17 years this competition has been running our district has not done very well on either the “Highest Numerical Category or Best Percentage Category”. We did get honorary mention in the “Best Percentage Category” for the first quarter of the 2009 – 2010 Civitan year.

As leaders of the clubs and district let’s work together and try to win this growth competition award for the betterment of all of our clubs! We all know that adding members to our clubs will not only bring in new energy, additional ideas and take the strain off of members having to work on every project or special event the club takes on.

The following members of the district are leading the way in membership recruitment. The sponsors involved in the “Sponsor-a-Member Competition” will be highlighted in **BLUE**.

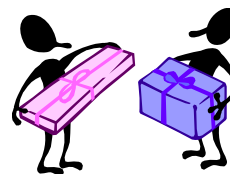
Let’s welcome the new members to Canadian District West and their sponsors to date.

Patricia Freedman has joined the Halton Club and sponsored by **Marlyne Van Exan**.  
Ross Anderson has joined the Don Mills Club and sponsored by Dave Croutch.  
Brandt Morris has joined the Don Mills Club and sponsored by Lyle Armstrong.  
Carrie Marchand has joined the Midland Club and sponsored by Dawn Lock.

### Golden Circle Club

Each club should try to strive to be a Golden Circle Club having an active membership of 30 members. Studies done by volunteer organizations has identified that having a minimum of 30 members forms the strong foundation for a successful active club. Our District has three such clubs as of the December “Focus Report” in that category.

1. Dundas District Civitan Club with 45 members.
2. Midland Civitan Club with 36 members.
3. London Middlesex Civitan Club with 30 members.



Congratulations to all three clubs for reaching this milestone goal. Being a Golden Circle Club gets your club a banner patch from Civitan International and a year bar for every successive year after. Voting rights also jump by two once your club has 30 members (5 votes over 30).

## What's going on in the clubs in the district!

### Agincourt Civitan Club

11<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2010 as a 'Thank You' to their 'Special Angels' we were included in an invitation from The Famous Peoples Players to attend a Rehearsal in Black and White Light of their upcoming production of "The Girl Who Did What!!" It was most interesting to see how Diane Dupuy works with these young people and to see it in White Light was most interesting, she also informed us of all that is involved to get one of these productions underway. We also found out that through this program many opportunities are provided to the young people. A lovely Luncheon prepared by her Mother and served by the Young People followed this. Our Club is planning to attend a performance as an Interclub Event on the 12 Dec. anyone interested is asked to contact us.

12<sup>th</sup> Oct. we had a good turn out at the Qssis for the Installation of our Officers: Gov. Debbie Hiscott performed a lovely candle light service. We also had in attendance: Area Director Sue and Les, three young friends of Pres Pat's, his sister Belinda, niece Emma, guest Norma, Members spouses Mary Rose & Joan. Our Tables were decorated with Roses, during his "Thank You Speech" President Patrick Mc Cleverty, in commemoration of his late dad, Civitan Ed., asked all to sign and attach tags to the roses, these were placed later that evening at the grave site.

27<sup>th</sup> Oct. we held a most successful Habitat Luncheon. Pres. Pat, with assistance from Tom & some friends prepared a meal for 60, and then with assistance of Club members served the workers at the site.

### Barrie Civitan Club

On October 24<sup>th</sup> The Barrie Civitan Club held a joint Inaugural and early Christmas Dinner Party at the famous Urban Dish Restaurant. The installation ceremony was done by our own Governor Debbie Hiscott. Dinner was great and a good time was had by all. We continue to have our meetings at Roberta Place however some circumstances occur when they go into lock down and we have to make instant changes to our venue. Our club continues to do Bingo and we all sincerely appreciate the dedication of the members who work at it.

Sno Do is just around the corner after Christmas and Civitan Reg and his committee are on tract for this great event. If you could join us it is a wonderful experience. Information on the Banquet January 29<sup>th</sup> 2011 will be sent out soon.



On a special note our very own famous "Santa" Civitan Reg Howard has written and published a book "**ON SANTA'S KNEE**". It is a wonderful book of Santa Claus stories Reg has put together over the years. If you would like a copy they are \$15.00 just give him a call at 705-721-1322 or e-mail him at: slugabug44@yahoo.com.

Members of the Barrie Civitan Club wish you and yours a Very Merry Happy and Safe Christmas and New Years. Hope to see you at Sno Do!

## **Brampton Civitan Club**

A new club year brings new ideas and some reworking of old ideas and it all starts with the installation of the new Board and the accepting of fresh responsibilities.

So as we re-group, we assess our strengths and we sharpen our focus. We have started our year with a monthly Dinner/Games evening. With the emphasis on fellowship, we were encouraged to see family members and friends join us at our October evening. After a chicken dinner catered by a local business, we spread ourselves around and played pool, table-tennis, dominoes and card games. Expanding on this format, we hope to make this monthly fellowship meet an attractive format for our members and their guests. Membership growth from this event, may very well follow.

Working with Brampton Caledon Community Living (BCCL) has long been a goal for us, as we use and meet in their Fisherman's Drive location. We seem to have made progress recently in our contacts and expect to report on this in the future.

All that remains is to wish each of you a peace-filled and blessed Christmas.

Tony Francis  
President



## **Burlington Civitan Club**

The Burlington Club is once again well underway towards a busy year in Civitan . We have had our officer installation and awards banquet in October as well as our annual Reverse Raffle Fundraiser – the most successful one to date. It was wonderful to see so many supporters from Canada West at this event. Our club sincerely appreciates it as well as the Special Olympians who are the beneficiaries of the proceeds.

### **Events Coming Up**

We will be in the Burlington Mall starting the 29th of November. As well we will be in several retirement homes during December.

Winter Wonderland for Special Olympics, Sir Ernest Macmillan School - Headon Road - December 10th, 2010.

Christopher Terrace Entertainment Night at Christopher Terrace - Ted will confirm date.

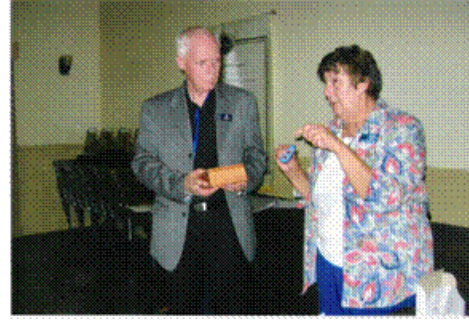
Christmas Social - Sandi will let us know what the arrangements are Library Display.

We will have our Club Display at the Burlington Public Library from December 17th for two weeks.

Festival of Lights - Again this year we will be serving the hot chocolate at Spencer Smith Park following the Santa Claus Parade and preceding the lighting of the Christmas Tree.



**Reverse Raffle 2010**



**Awards Banquet 2010**

### **Dundas District Civitan Club**

In November we marked twenty years since our charter. To celebrate, we gathered at Flamborough Hills Golf Club for a light-hearted look back, recognizing our accomplishments and the contributions of our members over the years. We combined this occasion with celebrating Christmas as well. We were pleased that Governor Debbie Hiscott, accompanied by Civitan Bill, could join us in the festivities. We were also happy to see fellow Civitans from such places as Agincourt. Close to sixty people, including our own members and their families and friends, along with fellow Civitans from other parts of the District, were also on hand.

Among our guests that evening was Dundas Junior Civitan Co-President Bradley Abbott. The Juniors had received the third place joint junior senior project of the year award at the International Convention, and Bradley presented it to our club's past president, Robin Gruenwald.

The club's milestone happens to coincide with the Alleycats Bowling League's anniversary, which is also its twentieth.

Flamborough Hills was the site of our September 12 Golf Tournament. That event too was a success. The weather certainly co-operated. We're already making plans for next year's tournament- more on that at a later date.

### **Halton Civitan Club**

Halton Civitan Club has been very busy working hard doing various projects. Our group assisted at the Community Living Oakville Halloween Dance –what a fun evening seeing the clients in their costumes dancing up a storm.

Sales of Chocolate Almonds and Christmas cake is doing well. Santa came out to Central West and the members handed out Christmas stockings to all the clients attending their monthly bingo game. Happy faces were everywhere.

Our club is looking forward to having a guest speaker from Mom's Camp attend our Christmas pot luck and let us know how our club can help them out. Jadzia Weir, Secretary



## **Kitchener-Waterloo Civitan Club**

ED Davies (Mr. Civitan to our K-W Club and his friends) realized a dream in 1997. The Waterloo Region Children's Safety Village became a reality. A place where 20-25,000 school aged children a year come and learn road and fire safety. On May 5, 2010 the Safety Village officially opened the Roundabout and Wally-go-round (named after Wally Wolff who donated some of the equipment and is a K-W Civitan member)-the latest addition to the village and a key part of the village's commitment to training children in traffic. Since 2004, roundabouts have been an important part of our roadway landscape in Waterloo Region. These circular intersections improve road safety, manage increased traffic demand, and help improve air quality by eliminating unnecessary stops and idling. The region's roundabout education campaign has been recognized throughout North America. Three of our club members attend the one day convention in Agincourt and were impressed with the Oakville Club's vision of promoting Civitan in Canadian District West. We ourselves have had two open houses and greet and meet sessions at our senior's apartment complex in an effort to increase our membership. The Waterloo Chronicle also gave us some great publicity with an editorial recognizing our community involvement and previous accomplishments. We have also created some exposure by purchasing and placing a lawn sign at the corner of Erb and Devitt Streets where our seniors' apartment building is situated. Come and READ what we are up to. Now in honour of "Mr. Civitan" Davies, who has Parkinson's disease, we have donated \$5,000.00 to the Movement Disorders Research and Rehabilitation Centre at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo. We hope you all had a safe and happy summer. Kitchener-Waterloo Civitan Club

## **London-Middlesex Civitan Club**

The year has started off on a high note. We now have a Junior club! 9 Juniors have signed on, with a rotation of 5 more interested parties coming out.



September 22 we had our, catered turkey, Installation Dinner. Governor Debbie, and Junior Governor Todd attended to Install our new Executive Board and the new Juniors and board respectively. Junior Chair Anita came out to help Todd and to welcome the new Juniors into Junior Civitan. Our Area director for 2009/10 Floyd MacDonald joined us for the evening as well. Junior Civitan Kierra gave a wonderful speech to tell us about her experience of going to the YDLC in July and to thank the club for sponsoring her.

8 London Members went to the District Convention in September in Quebec. A good and informative time was had by all. Thank you to the East for all their efforts putting on the convention.

October 27 we had our own Halloween dinner costume party. Civitan Dot cooked an excellent Octoberfest style meal. Civitan Jean sent her pumpkin cake. Civitan Darrell made candy apples (although there was a slight kitchen accident) and everyone got candy goody bags. Civitan Floyd MacDonald joined us for the evening. For a little extra excitement we had Civitan Bingo! Civitan's Don Moore, Dorothy, and Val Dorey won the Bingo games. However Don thought a "jumble" was a line at one point and Val Dorey won twice-as I happened by and noticed she had a line. A few laughs were shared during the games! The costume judging was done by Civitan's Dot and Darrell, their job wasn't easy. We had all sorts of costumes from Wonder Woman

Civitan Andy, Captain Rex Daniel, Skeleton Sienna, Civitan Melissa as a Swat officer and Civitan Jess as a Monet, to name a few. Prizes and trophies were given out as follows; Civitan Ryan won best costume as a Ghost Buster, complete with homemade goggles. Junior Civitan Brandi won Funniest Costume as a Bridesmaid. The funniest moment was Jack Phoenix winning Scariest costume for wearing his lederhosen German outfit. Dot and Darrell stated he was scaring them! Last but not least we had a year off! That is to say we had to check this year as to who actually had the oldest costume. Traditionally Civitan Sue Gibson, who has a really old Bridesmaid dress, wins, however Civitan Jack's lederhosen was almost as old. The winner this year was Civitan's Owen and Val. They wore his parents 60 some odd year old "We Willie Winkle" outfits! Congratulations to everyone who won or didn't for getting into the spirit.

November's dinner meeting on the 24 will be Hockey day in Civitan. Everyone is encouraged to wear their best Hockey something, toque, hat, Jersey, whatever they have. Dinner will be Hockey arena fair. We are going to have a shoot out for prizes! Our guest speaker this month will be Stephanie Sams from CLL.



### **Stuff the Bus Event 2010**



As a tribute to the memory of Wayne Dorey (Event Chair over the past 30 plus years), I wanted to help continue to the legacy of good work that he organized through our annual Stuff the Bus event. What better way to do that than by volunteering to act as this year's Event Chair? With his long-standing service in mind I wanted to make sure that the following continued: that all of the relationships he'd established with other community partners would remain in good standing; that London-Middlesex Civitan members would remain fully engaged and committed to his cause; and that the event's success would again be measured by a generous amount of food we would collect.

With regards to established relationships with Argyle Mall, Adrian's No Frills, Mission Services of London, and Rotholme Women's and Family Shelter (Stuff the Bus Food Drive Event Beneficiary), work was required to give them a better account of what the London-Middlesex Civitan Club had done for the event since Wayne's passing. Their continued support for this was highlighted through the feedback that each organization gave towards the creation of an advertisement poster for the event. I hope that through our advertisement poster, air time with CJBK and TV advertising with Rogers TV Channel 13, the London-Middlesex Civitan Club would continue to be seen as a unified organization willing to work with others in the community just as Wayne's Stuff the Bus Event had for all those years.

The commitment went as far as unanimously voting to purchase warm winter attire for those who are working at this year's event. This year's event saw our Civitan members wearing toques which will not only help keep them warm but also proudly display our Civitan Logo for the general public to see. London-Middlesex Civitan members will continue their commitment to this event and will remain engaged in maintaining community food drives. Work is now underway to organize a second Stuff the Bus event around Easter 2011.

Respectfully Submitted By: Ben Reyes- Event Chair

## Midland Civitan Club

Midland Civitan Club is busy preparing to host the 2011 Canadian Dance-A-Thon the weekend of March 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011. We have met with Rebecca Barnes from Civitan International, however we have learned that Rebecca is resigning from Civitan International and will be replaced. The venue has been booked and we are in the process of obtaining billets for the weekend.

Four members of our club attended the Region 5 convention in Valleyfield, QC. Although it was a long trip down and back, those in attendance enjoyed themselves.

We held our annual Inaugural Dinner on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Governor Civitan Debbie Hiscott installed our new board and Past Area Director Civitan Anna Cavicchia along with our new Area Director Civitan Bob McCannell installed one new member, Carrie Marchant, at this dinner meeting. Past Governor Civitan Paul Scudds presented the 'Civitan of the Year' award to Civitan Sandra Baxter.

We have started our annual sale of Claxton Christmas cakes in the local mall every weekend up until Christmas as well as members are busy contacting their lists of purchasers from previous years.

Our 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Midland Civitan Club Santa Claus Parade is coming up on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Chairperson Civitan John Veals is busy organizing this event. We start the day off with a breakfast at Mom's restaurant in Midland and then everyone leaves to attend to his or her various duties for the day. We will be holding the trophy presentations on Thursday December 9<sup>th</sup> for prize winners.

Our annual Curling Jitney is scheduled for January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. This is a fun event and enjoyed by everyone who attends. Even though you may not be a curler, you can go out and try your hand at it or you may wish to stay in the warm club room and play a game of cards. Everyone is welcome to attend and if you are interested, please contact our Chairperson Civitan Marie Fairbanks at 705-534-6357.

At this time Midland Civitan Club would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the Winter convention in February.



## Oakville Civitan Club

The *Oakville Civitan Club* launched the new year like finishing the last – running! The first business meeting reviewed, discussed and approved seven (7) key Goals for the 2010/11 year. Virtually all of them focused on building the profile of Civitan in our community (through social and club projects), raising funds for the groups whom Civitan lends financial support to and providing opportunities to introduce Civitan to prospective members.

Three of the Goals were already significantly advanced in November by:

A Civitan pub and poker night held on November 23<sup>rd</sup> (hosted by long-time Civitan and Hampton's Restaurant owner and Mike Paralovos) which saw the attendance of a dozen club members, eight prospective members and Area Director Gary Kirkwood. Gary proceeded to bet against Club President George Horhota on the first card deal – not a good strategy! But after George amassed a pile of chips (many from Gary's stack) he went 'all in' to lose against Bob McCannell. Past President James McCannell triumphed as the evening's ultimate poker winner – but the Club won the most through this fundraiser and the opportunity to introduce prospective members to the fellowship and camaraderie of the Oakville Club.

The *Junior Civitan Club of Oakville* organized its first event and fundraiser on November 27<sup>th</sup>: *Battle of the Bands* at the Iroquois Ridge Community Centre. The Junior Club, chartered last year, now has 25 members from five Oakville high schools! We'll report on this night in the next Beaver Tales.

Civitan Doug Guthrie (who leads the Club's weekly Hopedale Mall Farmers Market and monthly Mayfair Bingo key fundraising events) persuaded Hopedale Mall to allow the Club to set up a Civitan information table and sell Claxton Cake. On November 26 and 27, Club members (starting with Doug) staffed the table and displayed the Club's two new 'sail' banners declaring '*Civitan Helps People*'.

The new executive is motivated to continue the momentum of the last two year's under the leadership of James McCannell. Unfortunately the Club lost the talents of Secretary Chris Mourtos who moved to Ottawa as an assistant to Member of Parliament Terrance Young. Congratulations Chris! Our Club will miss Chris -- but is excited that one of its younger members can now lend their leadership and tenacity to our federal government. This brings to life Civitan's motto of 'building good citizenship'! Oakville accountant Civitan Andreas Mourtos kindly agreed to step in and assume the Secretary's duties from his sibling.



### **Toronto Lung Transplant Civitan Club**

Our annual Lung Transplant Craft and Bake Sale held on October 27<sup>th</sup> was a great success again this year. The funds raised will go directly to the Toronto Lung Transplant Support Group to help pre- and post-lung transplant patients when they have to be at Toronto General Hospital, whether in the Treadmill Room or confined to the hospital.

A big thanks to everyone who so generously donated home-baked goods and homemade crafts. There were a wonderful variety of delicious baked goods: biscotti, brownies, cookies, cakes, cheesecakes, cupcakes, fancy breads, fruit loaves, jams, muffins etc. The beautiful and varied crafts consisted of knitted afghans, knitted baby blankets, scarves, quilts, wall hangings, a homemade quilted Advent calendar, fancy wine gift bags, homemade wooden lamp, homemade children's aprons, carrying bags, note cards, and many smaller crafts. And of course there are the quilts and wall hangings donated for the raffle. We truly appreciate all the help and support from everyone at the hospital, including the people at the Foundation, and all the pre and post lung transplant patients and their support people. And to everyone who came and supported all the efforts by purchasing the tasty baked goods and the beautiful crafts. We wouldn't be able to do it without your generosity and talent! Thanks also to the Trillium Gift of Life for

supplying their banner, forms, and a generous supply of green ribbons. The Craft and Bake Sale team, Karen and Stewart Gerard, Merv Sheppard, Mavis Bullock, Judy Clarke, Karon and Enzo Ucci, Dianne Hinchcliffe, Ann McGuire and Tara Bolden couldn't have done this without the help of everyone. Thank you all so very much.

And Don't forget to get your raffle tickets - \$5 each or 3 for \$10. They are available from Mavis Bullock, Judy Clarke, Enzo and Karon Ucci and Ann McGuire. The prizes are two homemade quilts and a wall hanging: one, a Cambridge Square pattern (blue and white 8' by 8'), the other two, a Christmas theme lap-size quilt (6' by 5') with a matching cushion, and a Christmas theme (a variation on the 12 days of Christmas) wall hanging. Remember, pre- and post-transplant patients benefit directly while they are in the hospital, from the proceeds of the raffle. Tickets will still be available the day of the Christmas Party, Wednesday December 8<sup>th</sup>, when the raffle draw will take place. Thank you for all your support.



### Junior Chair Report



On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010, we held our first District Wide Event at St. Joseph's Villa in Dundas, Ontario. We had 23 juniors from 4 junior clubs in attendance for our meeting, club officer training and fellowship. The Juniors entertained the Seniors of St. Joseph with skits they worked on as teams, it was fun to watch the juniors work together. Thank you to Tracy Beck the club advisor and the Dundas Junior's for a wonderful day.

The collection selection for the year that has been selected are pop tabs. We will have a competition between clubs.

The Oakville Junior Club will be hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> District Wide Event in Oakville on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 from 1pm to 7pm at Central West Specialized Developmental Services (formerly Oaklands).

Anita Pereira Junior Chair  
2010-2011

### London Junior Civitan Club



Has had a "rebirth"! after 20 + years of just having two paid up members to maintain our charter, at the September London Middlesex Civitan Club installation dinner, several Juniors were in attendance and were installed by Junior Governor Todd Kocsis.

Our Juniors have attended a District Fun Day in Barrie in September and the District Meeting hosted by Dundas Juniors on Junior Civitan Day, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. They have held a "really bad scary movie night", attempted to man a "water station" at a local dog event (which unfortunately got rained out but was a fun social morning) and helped with Claxton Cake Sales at a seniors residence to raise some funds.

Some of the Juniors also assisted with the senior Community Living Hallowe'en Dance in October.

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, they will be manning the Community Booth at Masonville Mall for Awareness, along with some seniors. Sue Gibson, Jr Advisor

## Exciting News From Pembroke Civitan Club -Canadian District East

The Pembroke Civitan Club has made a generous donation of \$500.00 to Carefor Health & Community Services Transportation Program.

Mr. Molson is a 50 years as a member of the Club and a frequent user of one of Carefor's wheelchair accessible vans to attend medical appointments. .

The Civitan raises much needed dollars for community programs by running Bingo's at Bingo Country, selling Christmas cakes and a variety of other activities.

Mr. Molson recognizes the need for such a valuable service to seniors living in our community that have a transportation barrier. This donation will be set aside to assist other community clients that require transportation to their medical appointments and may not have the funds available to pay for their drive. Carefor works hard at ensuring that all requests for service can be met.



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## CIVITAN MISSION STATEMENT

To build good citizenship by providing a volunteer organization of clubs  
Dedicated to serving individual and community need with an emphasis on helping  
people with developmental disabilities



## Editors Comments

Please note the deadline for the next edition of the Beaver Tales will be **February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.**

**Future deadlines are: May 24<sup>th</sup> and October, 25.** Please make every effort to have your article reach us by these deadlines, as we want to ensure that no club is missed. Each of you has many interesting projects on the go, which could assist other clubs, or to enable them to come out and participate.

As well, it has been brought to the attention of the board and ourselves that several members feel the content of each issue has "long passed" by the time the issue arrives to you. We encourage all clubs to include what they have done but members would also like to hear of any upcoming projects as well. So please try and include in your submission any functions that you know will be happening in the next quarter so they can mark their calendars. It seems that they would also like to see some humor brought back in as well. And although we cannot have the Beaver Tales over run with humor. please feel free to send in a humorous joke, words of wisdom or, thought of the week to share with our membership such as the following:

**Strive for excellence, not perfection.  
Understand and accept that life isn't always fair.  
Learn from the past, plan for the future, and live in the present  
Live beneath your means and within your seams.  
Live your dreams**

Please submit your information by email as a word document attachment prior to the deadline to:  
Val Dorey: Email: [valwayne.dorey@sympatico.ca](mailto:valwayne.dorey@sympatico.ca) - Res: 1-519-453-3957  
Val Marchant: [civitan\\_val@rogers.com](mailto:civitan_val@rogers.com) - Res: 1-519-284-1779

It would also be helpful if we could receive the name and contact information for the member responsible for submitting your article in the event it has been sent, yet not received. It would enable us to contact them directly prior to the deadline in order that it is included.

Civitan Val Dorey & Civitan Val Marchant  
Bulletin Editors

## Serious Illness and Death Notifications

In order that as many Civitans can be notified as soon as possible, please send the information concerning deaths or serious illnesses to Lyle Armstrong.

Residence: 1-416-447-3071 E-mail: [wekndr@rogers.com](mailto:wekndr@rogers.com)



**Registration form**  
**Canadian District West Convention**  
**Friday and Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 2011**  
**Festival Inn**  
**1144 Ontario Street**  
**Stratford Ontario**  
**519 273 1150**

**Toll Free 1 800 463 3581**

**First Person**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Civitan Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Voting Delegate Y/N\_\_\_ Club\_\_\_\_\_

District/Club Office\_\_\_\_\_ Past Governor Y/N\_\_\_\_\_ Year\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_ City\_\_\_\_\_ Code\_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first Convention Y/N\_\_\_JR Civitan Y/N\_\_\_\_\_ Home Club\_\_\_\_\_

Roast Beef\_\_\_\_\_ Salmon\_\_\_\_\_

**Second Person**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Civitan Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Voting Delegate Y/N\_\_\_ Club\_\_\_\_\_

District/Club Office\_\_\_\_\_ Past Governor Y/N\_\_\_\_\_ Year\_\_\_\_\_

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Roast Beef\_\_\_\_\_ Salmon\_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee \$ 50.00 per attendee if paid before January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011.**

**Any registration postmarked after this date the fee will increase to \$55.00 .**

**All registrations must be received prior to February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011.**

**Room Rates: \$109.00 + Tax per night – To book accommodations please call Festival Inn – Toll Free: 1-800-463-3581 and state that you are with Civitan**

**Fee includes your Saturday morning coffee, lunch and dinner.**

**Please make your cheque payable to:**

**Mail your completed registration to:**

**Civitan Canadian District West**

**Civitan Treasurer Sue Gibson**

**52 Boullee St.**

**London, Ont. N5Y 1T6**



**Registration Form**  
**Sno-Do Banquet**  
**Saturday, January 29th 2011**  
**Tangle Creek Golf Club**  
**4730 Side Road #25**  
**Thornton, ON**



**First Person**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Civitan? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. Civitan Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Second Person**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Civitan? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. Civitan Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Banquet Charge is \$35.00 per Adult or \$25.00 per Youth if paid by January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011. For registrations postmarked after this date, the charge will increase to \$45.00 and \$35.00 respectively. All registrations must be received prior to January 18th, 2011. This meal is going to be a buffet.**

**Please make your cheque payable to:                      Junior Civitan Sno-Do**

***Mail your completed registration form to:***



***Sno-Do Banquet***  
***c/o J. Evans***  
***18 Willow Crescent***  
***Brechin, ON L0K 1B0***





## Governor-Elect Owen's Message

Fellow Civitans:

We are into a new year of Civitan and I am looking forward to working with Governor Debbie and your District Board. Also I look forward to going to the Governor-Elects training in Birmingham in January. The Clubs have asked the board to go back to a two day Convention so we are going to try it in February. The date will be the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup> at the Festival Inn in Stratford Ont. I hope all of the clubs will come out for a weekend of fellowship and fun.

Governor Debbie has asked all clubs to work hard to build their clubs membership. We need to grow! I know you hear this all the time. But if we do not grow we will not have Civitan in Canada. If each one of us were to bring one new member into his or her club think how much more we could do for our communities. Lets see what we can do to increase our membership in Canadian District West.

Civitan Val and I hope all of our Civitan friends and families have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Stratford in February.

Owen Marchant  
Governor Elect, 2010/11



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