



# BEAVER TALES

Canada District West  
Region 5

SUMMER  
2020



## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



### 2019-20 C.D.W. Board

#### Governor

Sue Gibson

#### Governor Elect

Paul Scudds

#### Immediate Past Governor

Norma Johnston

#### Past Governor Director

Joyce Evans

Kawartha Lakes, Agincourt

#### Area Directors

Bob Emo

Dundas, Kitchener,

Don Mills

Bruce Davey

Halton, London, Toronto

Lung

Marlyne Van Exan

Barrie, Midland, Oakville

#### District Secretary

Pat McKinney

#### District Treasurer

Anita Francis

#### Judge Advocate

Lyle Armstrong



GOVERNOR 2018-20  
SUE GIBSON

The International Convention that was held by Zoom was decidedly different than what we are accustomed to; however, the “changing of the guard” went ahead online, and as of October 1<sup>st</sup> Frank Kelly will become International President. We will be having our own District Convention virtually by Zoom on September 26<sup>th</sup> and at that time, Governor Elect Paul will be installed as your new 2020-2021 Governor. I certainly wish Paul all the best for the coming year, and hopefully it will be less “strange” than what this one, my second term, has been. Who would ever have anticipated that this pandemic could go on for so long with no sign of letting up yet?

The registration form for the September 26<sup>th</sup> convention will be found in this issue; it will also go out via communications where there have already been several announcements. This convention on Zoom is FREE to attend, and hopefully many of those who have had budgeting difficulties so not able to attend “normal, in person” conventions will be able to jump on board. Our subscription to Zoom allows us to have 50 people at a meeting. I would love to have to increase that number!

As we were not able to have a convention in the spring due to COVID, we will be announcing the winners of all District awards at this convention. I understand that Past Governor Norma will be making a presentation for the Heel Award also – who will the new Heel be?

If anyone has a concern, they would like brought to the District Board, please contact your area director to request an audience. International is encouraging clubs to keep their club boards the same for a further year and have waived the annual training requirement that was instituted last year. Anyone who was trained last year does not need to repeat. Anyone who did not train last year is able to attend the online training starting in August (for which there is a cost) to become a certified club.

Congratulations need to be given to our Junior Civitans who won many awards during their virtual International Convention. Check out our website for details.

Hoping to see many faces on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Why not send me an email right now and register?

**SUE GIBSON, GOVERNOR**





# Canada Proud



## **North American Awards – Competitive Awards at this year International Convention**

### **Outstanding Club Website Awarded to:**

“Almonte Civitan Club, Canadian Northern Lights”

### **2018 – 2019 Honor Clubs**

Midland Civitan Club, Canadian West

Almonte Civitan Club, Canadian Northern Lights

Lanark & District Civitan Club, Canadian Northern Lights

Carleton Place & District Civitan Club, Canadian Northern Lights

Civitan Club of Perth, Canada True North

Civitan Club of Pembroke Inc., Canada True North

### **Junior Civitan Membership Madness Winner:**

Canadian West

### **Junior Civitan District Project of the Year:**

Canadian West Sno Fun'd

### **Junior Civitan of the Year:**

Ella Cockburn – Canadian West

**Distinguished Presidents:**

**Canada True North**

Bill McNicol – Civitan Club of Perth  
Bonnie Tarrant – Civitan Club of Pembroke Inc.

**Canadian Northern Lights**

Peter Guthrie – Almonte Civitan Club  
Bob Mingie & Debbie Keane – Lanark & District Civitan Club  
Don Howard – Carleton Place & District Civitan Club

**Canadian West**

Mike Tinney – Midland Civitan Club

**Golden Circle 30-49 Members:**

Carleton Place & District  
Smiths Falls, Inc.  
Midland Inc.

**Sapphire 50-74 Members:**

Cobden & District  
Perth Inc.  
Lanark & District Inc.

**Century 100-149 Members:**

Almonte Inc.

**Sponsorship 150+:**

Ken Fournier

**ANNIVERSARY DATES FOR CLUBS IN CANADA DISTRICT WEST**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Anniversary in 2020</b>	<b>Charter Date</b>
Agincourt	54	11-Mar-66
Barrie	56	12-Sep-64
Don Mills	67	21-Oct-53
Dundas	30	26-Nov-90
Halton	21	09-Jul-99
Kawartha Lakes	38	11-Jun-82
Kitchener-Waterloo	56	20-Jun-64
London Middlesex	45	06-Jun-75
Midland	53	28-Jul-67
Oakville	60	17-Jun-60
Toronto Lung	21	28-Nov-99

*The*  
**BEST**  
*Ob*  
**BEST**  
2019-20

**JUNIOR CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL AWARDS**

JUNIOR CIVITAN OF THE YEAR - Ella Cockburn  
DISTRICT CHAIR OF THE YEAR - Melainie Stripp & Tracy Beck  
CLUB ADVISOR OF THE YEAR - Melainie Stripp  
DISTRICT PROJECT OF THE YEAR - Canadian West =SNOW FUN'd

*Congratulations*

**PROUD TO BE  
CANADIAN!**

**QUOTE:** "In a world darkened by ethnic conflicts that tear nations apart, Canada stands as a model of how people of different cultures can live and work together in peace, prosperity and mutual respect." - *Bill Clinton, former American president*

**QUOTE:** "When I'm in Canada, I feel this is what the world should be like." *Jane Fonda, Actor*

**QUOTE:** "I'm a fan of Canada. I believe the world needs more Canada." - *Bono, Musician*

**QUOTE:** Canada is today the most successful pluralist society on the face of our globe, without any doubt in my mind...That is something unique to Canada. It is an amazing global human asset." - *Prince Karim Aga Khan IV, Spiritual leader of the Dsmaili Muslims*

# TIME'S A-TICKING

## DEADLINE FOR C.D.W. AWARDS

November 30 Jack Scott

November 30 Bud Gallop

November 30 Gerry King

November 30 Peter Street

November 30 Wes Armstrong

November 30 Dick & Mary Ann Ivens  
"TEAM CIVITAN"

November 30 Bert Palmer

Outstanding Community Service

Outstanding Club Service  
Mentally/Physically Disabled

Outstanding Club Service to Youth

Outstanding President

Outstanding Non-Civitan Volunteer

Outstanding Couple  
Working to Better Civitan

Friend to Youth

Send your information or vote to Past Governor Sue Gibson  
[susan\\_gibson@rogers.com](mailto:susan_gibson@rogers.com)



**Quote:** "Today may there be peace within. May you trust that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born in yourself and others. May you use the gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content with yourself just the way you are. Let this knowledge settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us."

**WE NEED YOU!**



NOW IS THE TIME  
TO PUT YOUR NAME FORWARD FOR  
GOVERNOR-ELECT

# Civitan International Virtual Convention July 23-15, 2020

**2019-2020 CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT**  
Y FERKAL

**NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP**

2000	24,299
2014	18,090
2020	12,040

Membership is dropping, we need to rebuild!!

# Junior Civitan International Board



CONGRATULATIONS RACHEL



*Don't miss this one!*



C.D.W. Convention Business Meeting  
Saturday September 26, 2020  
9:45 a.m. ZOOM MEETING



*We hope to see you there!*



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**Canadian District West DISTRICT CONVENTION ... VIRTUAL**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020, 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.**

**ZOOM INFORMATION TO BE SENT THE WEEK OF CONVENTION**

Please join us for the celebration of the Canadian District West ***Champions of Service-Achievers*** at the 2020 District Virtual Convention.

Registration is FREE, but you must register to get the Zoom link

The meeting starts at 9:45 a.m. but the portal will be open 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting so all can make sure they can get online.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE PROVIDE:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

First time attendance a District meeting? \_\_\_\_\_

And email this form to

**Sue Gibson at [susan\\_gibson@rogers.com](mailto:susan_gibson@rogers.com)**

If you have any questions, please call Sue at 519-657-5500 (w) or 519-453-5770 (h)

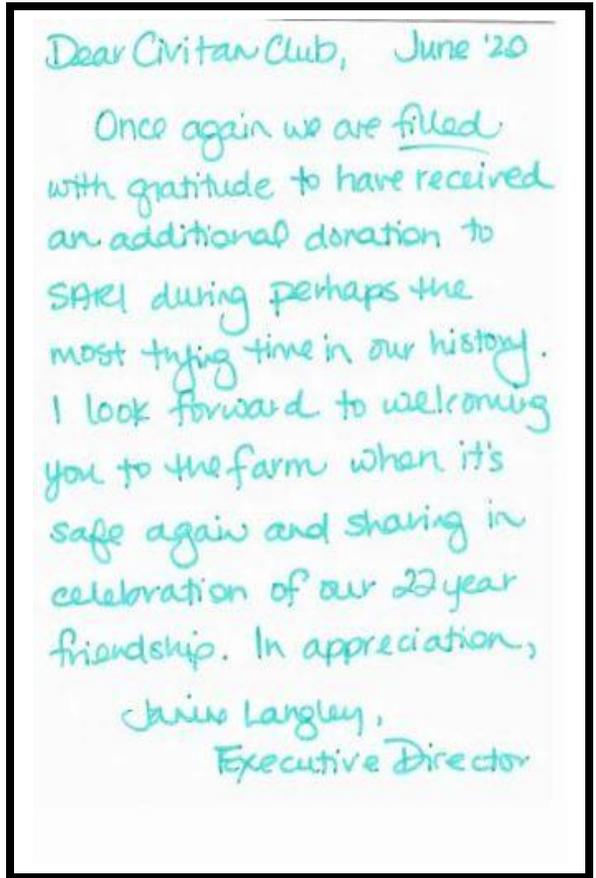
# London Middlesex Civitan Club - #2383-Darrell Blackwell

Wow what an unusual six months this has been. The London Club has been on holidays since June but we have been keeping in touch with e-mail and since Community Living London Leisure program has been shut down that put a damper on our projects but we still managed to send a cheque to C.L.L. in the amount of \$400.00 since we couldn't do our dances. We also gave a cheque to S.A.R.I. for \$3000.00 plus \$1000.00 extra because it's hard to fundraise during a pandemic to keep our sponsor horse Vixen fed. We have also sent money to Rotholme Family Shelter - \$400.00 to help them out this summer. The club has also kept up with our Fanshawe Foundation Bursaries to make it a little bit easier for two students to attend this year for a total of \$1000.00. St. Joseph's hospital / Mount Hope couldn't have their summer fun day so we tried to help them out with \$1500 to try and have some summer fun with residents this summer. The club also donated to the Church of the Epiphany to help them out through this tough time since they are kind enough to let us have our meetings there.

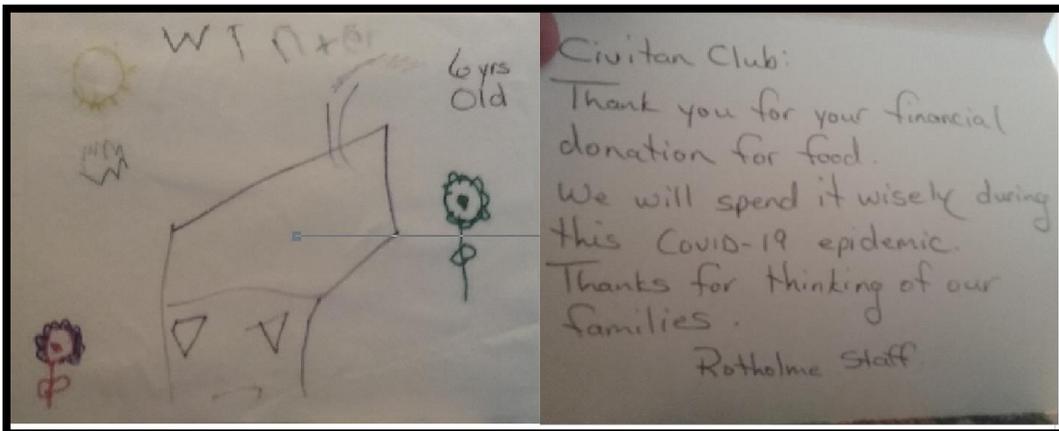
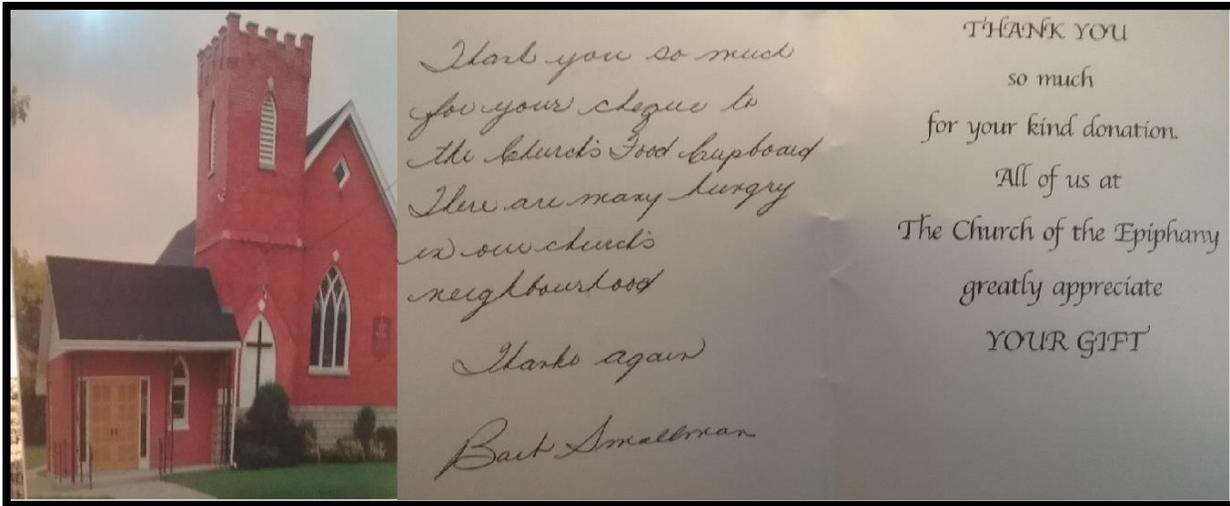
We did not forget our juniors with a donation of \$250.00 to Tristan Stripp for the virtual Dance-a-thon.

I am very proud of our members during this weird time in all of our lives for stepping up on all this funding with help keeping all these important causes in mind.

Please be careful out there and be nice



Darrell Blackwell



Dear Susan and Darrell,

It is my hope that you, your family and friends are well as businesses and organizations begin to re-open their doors since COVID-19 impacted our communities.

**Thank you!** As a Fanshawe College bursary donor, your support is key to reducing student financial burdens and allowing them to continue their education by focusing on their studies. Prior to the provincial shut down, plans were well under way for the spring bursary celebration. We were looking forward to welcoming you to the College in recognition of your support for student success. Although disappointed we could not meet with you in person, we are taking this opportunity to send a heartfelt “Thank You” for encouraging students through bursaries. In so doing, we are also pleased to advise you that the 2019/20 recipient of the Dorothy Marshall Bursary is Ashley Nadeau.

During the 2019/20 academic year we all faced challenges and opportunities we wouldn't have dreamed of a few short months ago. Educational institutions, businesses, and organizations closed their doors to the public as Canadians took measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Fanshawe College redirected its program delivery method to an online system for many of its programs; allowing students to complete their school year. Even with these measures in place, many students found themselves facing additional financial burdens. To help alleviate some of the financial pressure, the College offered and awarded \$1.5 Million in student emergency relief funds. Due to an overwhelming need, an additional \$407,000 was raised to help meet the needs of students. Now, more than ever, bursaries are vital, as students wonder how they can continue with their education – knowing they can't afford not to.

Your ongoing support is truly appreciated and with it, we look to the Fall as we welcome students back and begin to rebuild our communities. We also look forward to the day when we can, once again, meet and join in celebration.

Sincere best wishes,

**Laura Visconti**  
*Office Administrator*

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## Civitan re-open Oakville Farmers' Market

The Civitan have been operating a Farmers' Market in Oakville since 1979. The market traditionally opens in late April, but due to COVID-19 it was cancelled. Thankfully, that all changes on Saturday, July 4th. The Civitan Farmers' Market is located at Dorval Crossing East (Dorval Drive & North Service Road). The market operates on Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

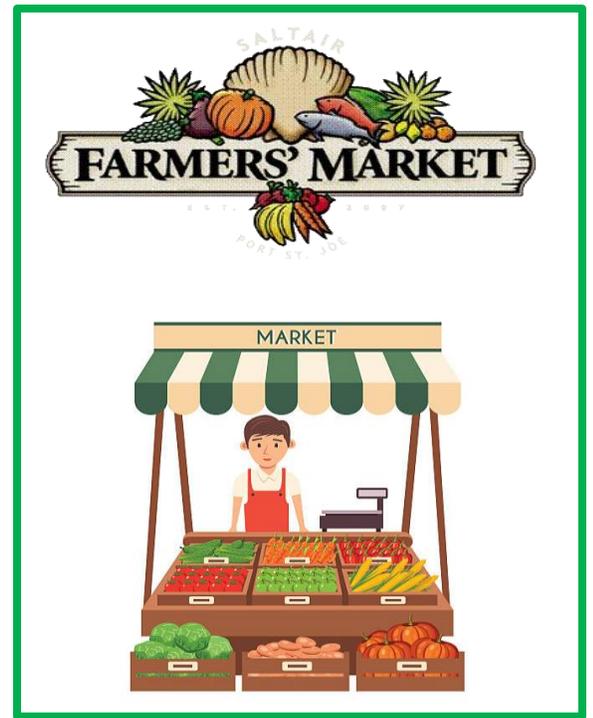
This year due to the need to maintain social distancing the market will have a designated entrance, and exit, with shoppers moving in the same direction. Shoppers will be asked to point to the things they would like to purchase. You can bring a reusable bag, but vendors will not touch them. People are encouraged to wear masks while in the market. There will also be sanitation stations. Some vendors will accept cash. These steps ensure that the provincial health guidelines for Farmers'

### About Civitan Club of Oakville

Founded in 1960, the Civitan Club of Oakville has embarked on numerous volunteer activities that have generated thousands of dollars in each year to local charities, students and other local groups focussed on helping others in need.

They continued to make financial contributions to the world leading Civitan International Research Center. Initially funded with a \$20 million grant from Civitan International Foundation, the university research centre undertakes developmental disability research, as well as educates medical professions in their findings and receives annual financial support from the Civitan Club of Oakville.

Their recent annual support of Oakville's (and Halton Region's) charities, scholarships and not-for-profit groups helping those in need has averaged about \$40,000 per year.



Groups the Oakville Civitan Club has recently supported:

- Mind Forward, formerly Peel Halton Dufferin Acquired Brain Injuries Services
- Oakville Hospital Foundation - Child & Adolescent Mental Health Inpatient Services Unit
- Family Adolescent Straight Talk Addictions Counseling
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton
- Malton Trauma Centre
- Camp Trillium
- Canadian Mental Health Association, Halton Region
- CNIB, Halton/Peel District
- Community Living Oakville
- Food For Life
- Mom's Camp
- Halton Women's Place
- Kerr Street Ministries
- March of Dimes
- Oakville Distress Centre
- Reach Out Centre for Kids
- Student Scholarships
- Salvation Army
- Toronto Lung Transplant Civitan Club
- White Oaks Secondary School Futures Program



## Dundas District Civitan Club - #3212- David Morden

Needless to say, the pandemic has forced us to cancel or postpone many of our valued projects and events.

We do still plan to hold one key fund raiser, our document shredding day, on Saturday October 3 at the Canadian Tire parking lot in Ancaster.

For the first time since its inception thirty years ago, the Alleycats Special Olympics Bowling League's season opening is being postponed until a later date.

We are hoping that the Dundas Learning Centre will be able to re-open on September 8. Prior to that date, the club will assume the expense of updating the building's air purification system to meet requirements. In order to inform our members of this plan and to procure approval for the cost, all were contacted by phone.

The plan for re-opening the centre includes a staged re-entry of the clients.

Over the past few months, we have tried to keep in touch with each other by the safest means. Some of us have met in small groups for either breakfast or coffee.

*We wish our fellow Civitans all the best as we go forward.*

# DUNDAS DISTRICT CIVITAN CLUB

## Paper Shredding Day

October 3, 2020

Canadian Tire Parking Lot

Ancaster Ontario



## Midland Civitan Club - #1959- Norma Johnston

The Midland Civitan Club hosted its annual food drive 'Stuff-A-Bus' for the Salvation Army on Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. This event was held in front of the Midland Food Land. Working it were - Civitans Marie Fairbanks, Carroll Wilson, Gail Zabloutny, Carol Frederick, Carroll's daughter Jennifer, and Sandra Baxter. The weather started out okay but a cold wind and rain came along. The nasty weather cleared before the end of the event and the unloading of the bus at the Salvation Army building. There were not as many donations of food as in other years but more money was received in the "Salvation Army Kettle."



Other than the Santa Claus Parades in Midland and Penetanguishene, and Winterfest in Penetanguishene, this is the only other event Midland Civitan Club have held this Civitan year.

Hopefully the club will be able to deliver a 'birthday cake' and cards to Georgian Village for their 'September' Birthdays!



Residence of Georgian Village Long Term Care Home  
who celebrate September Birthdays



The Bingo Hall has opened the Tap Tic room only and have asked the Midland Civitan Club to promote this so they can get a share of the pooling money.

Also, Midland Civitan Club donated \$400 to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank in Penetanguishene, in August.

**On a sad note Midland Civitan Club and the Tinney family lost long time Civitan member Pat Tinney on August 17. The Midland Civitan Club made a \$500.00 donation to the Georgian Bay Hospital in memory of Pat Tinney.**



**CONGRATULATIONS** Mike Tinney on your award as **Distinguished President for 2018-19** by Civitan International and also **2018-19 Honour Club**. You certainly had a great year.

# Halton Civitan Club - #3526- Marlyne Van Exan

Covid-19 has certainly curtailed most of our projects for this year and for the coming Civitan year.

Our monthly bingos at CWSDS have been suspended for the near future.

We installed our newest member Sharon, at our 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Dinner in July. This was held at Sharon's home – socially distancing. We order food in and everybody had a wonderful time.

Cake sales will definitely be down this year. We sell about one-half of our cakes at Retirement homes and this will certainly be a challenge this year. We are trying to work on ideas of how to get Christmas cake to these people.

Our purse project will continue. The Halton Women's Centre have asked us for purses again and we will supply them – adhering to all health-related issues.

The club continues to help with the Farmer's Market in Oakville.

The club planted flowers at Community Living Oakville in the spring and continue to maintain them as well as the gardens at the back of their property.

We made a substantial donation to Food4Kids near the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic and they were grateful for this donation.

## DONATE

### YOUR GENTLY USED PURSES

Contact: Marlyne Van Exan

(905) 845-0322

[mvanexan@cogeco.ca](mailto:mvanexan@cogeco.ca)



Halton Civitan Club  
will continue their annual  
purse project in which they  
donate the stuffed purses to  
'HALTON WOMEN'S CENTRE'

# Agincourt Civitan Club - #1870- Rhonda Thomson

The Agincourt Civitan Club has been adapting to the Pandemic Era and have been having our meetings successfully on ZOOM.

Several members attended the International Convention on Zoom.

Agincourt Civitan will also be attending the Canadian District West Convention on September 26<sup>th</sup> on ZOOM.

## BEACH DAY 2020

On July 25th, 2020, the Agincourt Civitan Club (Rhonda Thomson, President; David Birtwell, Secretary; Jimmy Birtwell and Jacqui Tucker, Director) went to our retirement home that we support, Cedarbrook Lodge in Agincourt. Rhonda was instrumental in organizing this project. We arranged to have crossword puzzles, word search puzzles, colouring books and coloured pencils sent over to Cedarbrook Lodge so that the residents would have something fun to do on such a hot day. We sent links to Rhonda and she had all the puzzles copied and put in decorative folders and delivered personally. Since we could not go into the building due to the pandemic, we hope that the 190 residents were pleased and had fun!

The Agincourt Civitan Club is looking forward to the new 2020 – 2021 Year but much is uncertain as we do not know if we will be able to get into Retirement Centres and Homes to sell Claxton Fruit Cake and if the Agincourt Arena will be open for our Gliders Skating Club.

Agincourt Civitan Clubs  
is keeping in touch with ZOOM

**SUPPLIES**



**DROPPING OFF SUPPLIES**



**RECEIVING THE SUPPLIES**



Agincourt Civitans  
made the hot days of summer



Fun for Seniors  
at Cedarbrook Lodge

# Toronto Lung Transplant Civitan Club - #3543- Enzo Ucci

Looks like the Toronto Lung Transplant Club is keeping busy and I'm sure they would appreciate any donations for their Annual Craft & Bake Sale.

SEP 2020 Organ Donor Awareness Campaign  
9 Wednesday Sep 9th 9:30am-3pm



Organ Donation Awareness and fund raising campaign in support of Pre and Post Lung Transplant patients and recipients

OCT 2020 Craft and Bake sale  
21 Wednesday Oct 21st 7:30am-3pm



CRAFT  
&  
BAKE SALE



Annual Craft and Bake fund raising sale in support of Pre and Post Lung Transplant patients and recipients

# CIVITAN WORD FIND



**ADVISOR**  
**BURSARY**  
**CANADA**  
**CHAIR**  
**COMMITMENT**  
**COMMUNITIES**  
**CURRENT**  
**DEDICATED**  
**EDUCATION**  
**FOLLOW**  
**FOUNDATION**  
**FUNDRAISER**

**GOLDEN**  
**INTERNATIONAL**  
**JUNIOR**  
**LEADERSHIP**  
**LOCAL**  
**LOYAL**  
**MEMORIES**  
**PLEDGE**  
**PRACTICE**  
**RESOURCE**  
**SERVE**  
**TALENT**

**TIME**  
**TRAINING**  
**TRIP**  
**TRUSTWORTHY**  
**VOLUNTEER**  
**YLDC**



# CONGRATULATIONS 2020 C.I.F.O.C. BURSARY WINNERS

## William Murphy Bursary:

Bill Murphy was a Civitan for 10 years. He was a member of the Midland Civitan Club and served as President as well as in many chairperson positions. He was Governor of the District in 1973-74 and during his year as governor Junior Civitan was formed.

This year's recipient of the William Murphy Bursary is **Hailey Condie-Robidoux**. Hailey is granddaughter of Willa Condie and assists Willa with her job of producing Foundation Century Awards. She canvasses annually for the Heart & Stroke Foundation, helps with the Kidney Foundation canvas, and assists with Special Olympics. She is currently enrolled in St. Lawrence College taking Child and Youth Care Program studies.

## Richard Ivens Bursary:

Dick was a member of the Midland Civitan Club for 25 years. He served his club in many positions and received many awards including distinguished club president. He was instrumental in starting the Midland Santa Claus Parade which is still an annual event. Dick was Governor from 1990-91 and was made a fellow of the Foundation in 1994.

The recipient of the Richard Ivens Bursary is **Sara Duchesne**. Sara has been a member of the Almonte Civitan Club in Almonte for the past three years, and has helped to launch a new website for the Almonte Civitan Club with a complete new design and interactive page for members to access and to do online ticket sales for functions &/or fund raising. She still works updating the website, manages the Instagram account and contributes regularly to the Facebook page. Sara is going into her second year at school taking the BScN courses, focusing on mental health, maternity and pediatric care and Transcultural Nursing care.

## Palmer-McNeil Bursary:

Bert Palmer was a member of the London Middlesex Civitan Club and was Governor in 1982. At the time of his death, Bert was International Director for Region 5. Bert was devoted to Junior Civitan and Special Olympics. He was instrumental in starting the C.H.I.L.D. Identification Program in London which expanded across the District.

Bradley McNeil was born with Downs Syndrome. He was involved with special Olympics in bowling, floor hockey and track & field. He loved to dance, eat out and spend time at the family cottage. Brad was a special friend of the London Middlesex Civitan Club.

This year's recipient is **Riley Smith**. Riley has been a member of Civitan International Foundation of Canada since spring 2016 and is attending Queens University in Kingston so is still active in the Kingston club. He volunteers with YMCA and is involved in Queens University's First Years Not in Residence Students, and through that participates in orientation week and supports new students outside of residence on an ongoing basis. He is at Queens working towards a Bachelor of Software Design in the School of Computing.

## HAILEY CONDIE-ROBIDOUX

Winner of the William Murphy Bursary



## SARA DUCHESNE

Winner of the Richard Ivens Bursary



## RILEY SMITH

Winner of the Palmer McNeil Bursary



### The Credit Valley Bursary:

In 2010 the Credit Valley Civitan Club Bursary was inaugurated. This bursary includes grandchildren in the eligibility. The first Credit Valley Civitan Club bursary was awarded in 2011.

This year's recipient of the Credit Valley Civitan Club Bursary is **Ella Burger**. Ella is the granddaughter of a Cobden Civitan Club member, and with him has each year participated in the Annual Cobden fishing derby. She has also been to the Civitan Golf Tournament with her grandfather. She has been involved with the local Santa Claus parade, the Food Bank, the Terry Fox walk among others.

Ella will be attending Ottawa University majoring in Social Sciences, hoping to also take some social studies courses, going on to Teachers College with a view to becoming an elementary school teacher.

### The Fred Chalk Bursary:

This is a 'one time' bursary donated by the former Brampton Civitan Club in memory of Fred Chalk, a long standing member who passed away within the past year. He was Chair of the Civitan International Foundation for many years, and heavily involved in both the Brampton Club and the Foundation.

The winner of the Fred Chalk Bursary is Senna Baldwin who is the daughter of a Civitan member from Almonte, Ontario. She has indicated that while not currently a member of Civitan herself as she is away from home in Kingston, upon graduation will be interested in joining the Almonte club and being an active member.

Senna has been involved with the Almonte Christmas Hamper program. During high school she was a camp co-ordinator and a Dance instructor working with young children. She has been involved also with Relay for Life.

Senna is now attending Queens University taking Health Studies, having completed a Fitness and Health Promotion program at St. Lawrence College. She hopes to then attend Teacher's College working towards teaching Physical Education along with French or Biology.

### ELLA BURGER

Winner of the Credit Valley Bursary



### SENNA BALDWIN

Winner of the Fred Chalk Memorial Bursary



## Civitan International Foundation of Canada

Each bursary is for \$1,000.00 and the Foundation is always looking to increase this amount. In past years, the Foundation had held Golf Tournaments at the same location as the Region convention in September, but as numbers dwindled, this became no longer feasible as a fund raiser. Donations from benefactors or as memoriums are always welcome and encouraged.

The Foundation thanks all the clubs and everyone who is a member of the Foundation for their continued support of the bursary program. We are all very proud of these recipients.

# Obituaries

## Bert BOONSTRA

June 20, 1937 - August 3, 2020

Passed away peacefully at the Waterford Barrie Retirement Residence in Barrie on August 3rd, 2020 in his 83rd year. From humble roots, Bert worked hard in his career as an insurance broker. He was a proud member of the Civitan Club. Devoted husband of Carol (Deceased 2001) and cherished father of Tanya, Ian and Eric (Rita). Much loved Pake/Grandpa to Karyna, Aaron, Jordyn, Arya and Declan. He is survived by siblings Jennie (Dave), Louise, and Wally (Ruth) and sister-in-law Marnie. Predeceased by siblings Betty, Lydia and Dave. He will be missed by his large extended family along with many friends.

Cared for by his companion Sheila Brown. If so desired, memorial donations can be made to Canadian Cancer Society or to a charity of your choice. Respecting Bert's wishes, there will be no formal funeral service. A small Celebration of Life will be planned for at later date. Thank you Dad for taking such good care of us.



June 1987

Joined Second City Civitan Club  
Current  
Member of Barrie Civitan Club

## POTTLE, Eric

Peacefully at the Almonte General Hospital on Sunday morning, July 26, 2020; Eric Gordon Pottle of Almonte passed away at the age of 80. Beloved husband and best friend of Sharron (nee Robillard). Survived by a son, Rodney of Almonte. Predeceased by his daughter, Cynthia. Son of the late Elsie and Max Pottle; formerly of Flat Rock, Nfld. Dear brother of Vera Marshall (late Don) and Muriel Cole (late Gar). Predeceased by a sister, Phyllis Legrow (late Mark) and a brother, Reg Pottle (Cathy); all formerly of Newfoundland. Dear brother-in-law of Brian Robillard (Dianne) and Terry Robillard (Loretta), both of Arnprior and Barry Robillard (Anita) of Pakenham. Much loved uncle of many nieces and nephews. Son-in-law of the late Eldon and Theresa (nee Clement) Robillard.



Eric was a community builder. He volunteered countless hours to the Almonte Civitan Club where he held many titles from District Governor right through to chief cook and bottle washer. He will be remembered for his community spirit as well as his pleasant and knowledgeable demeanor.



## **Douglas McKinnon** May 6, 1929 - July 30, 2020

Born in Verdun, Quebec, May 6, 1929 passed away July 30, 2020. Husband of loving wife Audrey Sassade (Giampaolo), our adventure started at a Civitan B.B.Q. and led us to a Drive through Chapel Wedding in Las Vegas!!! Doug you have been my best friend, soul mate and partner in crime. Our time together has filled our hearts and memories with love and laughter that will last us a lifetime. Loving father of Sandra McBride (Tom), stepfather of Gerald Sassade (Johanne), Robb Sassade (Theresa), grandfather of Chad McBride (Kim), Lindsey Kelly (Bill) great grandfather of Tytan, Atticus, Blake and Parker.

# Patricia TINNEY

January 18, 1930 – August 17, 2020



Patricia Louisa Elizabeth Tinney (nee Harrison) It is with overwhelming sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved wife, mom, grandma, great-grandma and sister, Patricia Louisa Elizabeth Tinney on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 90 years of age. Mom was born January 18, 1930 on Jones Avenue in Toronto. The 30's were difficult years for all. Mom nurtured all of her siblings through an extremely difficult childhood. Grampa Elliott, well into his sixties, decided to take on the whole brood and he and Mom raised Aunt Kay, Uncle John, Uncle Harry, Aunt Barb and Uncle Dennis. Sometime in 1950, Mom and Dad met at a dance in Orr Lake. A few days later he knocked on the door at the farmhouse, Uncle Harry answered and Dad said "Tell your sister to come hither". The rest is history. Many dances later, they have been married for 69 years. Mom and Dad married in May of 1951 at the United Church in Hillsdale. They welcomed Mike in September 1952 in Midland.

They lived and worked in Toronto for a while, but the city was not for them. They moved back home and then decided to go west. Robin was born October 1954 in Milden, Saskatchewan. After a few years on the prairies they decided to return to Ontario. She worked many jobs but when Dad decided to start his own business, she was his support. They decided to move to Midland in 1957 and started the business that is still thriving today. Despite never having the opportunity to complete elementary school, Mom was able to help Dad run the business, doing the book-keeping among other tasks. Mom always said her occupation was Domestic Engineer. September 1960 another child was born, Deb. The 60's were good years for Mom and Dad. The business was doing well, Mom was a huge support and driving force. Mom supported Dad in all of his endeavors including his years on council and serving as Reeve of Tay Township and she was First Lady of Tay Township. Mom finally had time to explore her many talents. She created many beautiful quilts and rug hooking, which we all treasure. She decided she would learn to swim, at age 50, and without telling anyone did just that, taking lessons at the YMCA. Mom was a long-time member of the Midland Civitan Club. She created and sewed vests for club members, served as the Club photographer, Club Chaplain and Junior Civitan Advisor. Mom received a Civitan Honour Key, the club's highest honour. She worked many volunteer hours at the Mental Health Centre. She just quietly worked away with little or no fanfare, never looking for any accolades. Mom was a Toronto Maple Leaf fan, especially Allan Stanley and has a jersey with his name on it. Mom was an amazing grandma and great-grandma who adored all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a devoted friend to many. Pat is survived by her loving husband Bruce, her devoted children and spouses, Mike & Gail, Robin, Deb & Cy Marchildon. Her brother John and wife Lynda. Predeceased by sister Kay (Perce) McIndoo, sister-in-law Shirley Harrison, brother Harry, sister Barbara Szapira and brother Dennis, survived by Kathy. Also survived by sister-in-law Connie Tinney. Gram will be lovingly remembered by Michelle, Amanda (Chad), Brianna (Dan), Tiffany (Marek), Barrett (Kristyn), Jenna (Jamie) and Dylan (Amy), her great grandchildren Ethan and Aemon Leclair, Ciarra, Owen, Chase, Ashlynn and Isla Norton, Zachary and Nicholas McCrae, Sebastian and Olive Plawinski. Also, by Ethan and Aemon's Dad, Andy Leclair. "Aunt Pat" to many nieces and nephews, she will be dearly missed by all. Mom's beautiful, warm and welcoming smile will be forever remembered by all who knew her. Our family will be eternally grateful to Dr. Helt for his compassionate care and support. We are so thankful for the loving care that Kim and Karen have provided to both Mom and Dad for the past 3 ½ years. More recently we are thankful to Patti, Jackie and Kayla for their unwavering commitment to and exceptional care of Mom and Dad. Heartfelt thanks to the PSWs Tracy, Cindy and Lynn for the wonderful care they provided to Mom. Appreciation and admiration to the Bayshore nurses, especially Kristy, Ashton, Angela and Natasha for their amazing care of Mom, enabling us to honour Mom's wishes to pass peacefully at home. Thank you too, to Kim and Laura for the many years of help, first looking after the house and then in the last few years, helping to care for Mom and Dad. Due to the current restrictions caused by the pandemic, the family have decided to hold a private grave side service Monday August 24, 2020 at 1 p.m. If desired, donations may be made to the Georgian Bay General Hospital in memory of her.



## ~Gone~

Sometimes we lose someone in life  
 and it seems so surreal  
 every part of us falls apart  
 broken  
 bruised  
 can we heal  
 we see the moments when laughter reached the skies  
 suddenly silenced  
 no longer a word to share  
 no grace for little white lies  
 here I am without your face  
 without my heart  
 without a trace  
 nothing left to give  
 because your gone  
 such a blessing  
 you were the joy  
 the life you lived  
 I will carry on  
 but oh how I miss the way you were  
 everything you did was such a melody  
 a song  
 a life rising to the sun  
 a life rising to the one  
 and now you've left this place  
 here I stand alone  
 I hope in heaven they hear your song  
 that beautiful love that knew no wrong  
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By Ernie Kasper



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# Governor Elect's Message

September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020



This is my last message as Governor Elect. I will be sworn in by Civitan International on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 via ZOOM. The year has gone by fast. We have had many difficulties trying to adapt in a Pandemic Era world both in the Canadian District West and International with meetings, training and conventions being done on ZOOM computer Conferencing.

Please plan on attending the Canadian District West Convention on Zoom Computer Conferencing on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. There is no cost.

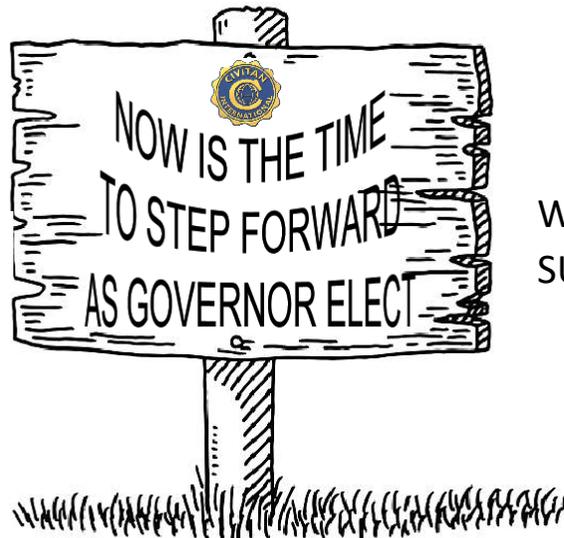
The greatest challenge that we have in this District is Membership with membership being down both in this District and International. The secondary challenge is Leadership within this District. I would like to concentrate on membership and would ask each club to try to increase membership. There are resources and funding within Canadian District West to assist clubs with increasing and retaining membership.

Leadership is a mainstay of the District. Over the past few years, we have elected Governors who had been Governor previously. Governor Sue has been Governor over that last two years because no one else stepped up. I agreed to be Governor for 2020 – 2021 because no one else was stepping up. We need to have new leadership on the District Level and I would encourage someone to run for Governor Elect for 2020 – 2021.

Please contact me for any assistance that your club may need over the next year.

**Paul SCUDDS**  
**Governor Elect, Canadian District West**

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