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Governors Report;

Well here we are into a brand new year! We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. It is hard to believe we are half way through our year as Governors.

It has been a great year and we look forward to seeing everyone soon through Spring Zones and other events as they are being held for the balance of the Kin year.

We have had some very positive outcomes this year through membership growth and development. We can't stop there. We belong to a great Association and it deserves our best.

On January 29 -30th weekend we are holding our annual District Midterm meetings in Dryden, Ontario. This will prove to be a very busy work weekend for your council members.

Over the last few years we have heard about the Vision 2020 strategy. Many have seen the presentations. We finally have seen these strategies come down to the district level.

Essentially the enablers that we have seen are part of the goal setting for our Clubs, Zones and Districts across the country.

What this does is makes everyone you elect to represent this Association responsible and accountable and that is a very good thing.

In the end this will give us a very strong association that is moving together in a consistent positive manner and this benefits everyone at every level in this association!

So lets continue to Come 2Gether and continue Serving our Communities greatest need!

Governors James & Carolyn

Election Year

2010 brings us to another election year! This year we will be electing a new National Director, District Membership Director and of course Vice Governor team as well as our regular slate of Zone and District leaders.

Plan your campaigns and help your District in 2010 -2011!!



DRM Report;

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. Hopefully everyone's holidays were full of family and friends celebrating the festivities. As we gear up for our second half of the Kin year I would like to ask each club to fill out an event information form. This is located on the Risk Management section of the Kin website. This form allows other clubs to see how your event was planned, executed and what could have been different to improve the overall success. As we are trying to make a book of projects that each club can have access to for fundraising ideas this form would be very beneficial in assisting a club's decision on whether to host that particular event. Please check when you are starting to plan an event that this has been listed on your club insurance reporting form. If not you can request insurance by filling out the request on-line. There are some locations that we host events at that want to have a copy of an insurance certificate. If you have not already done so, please ensure that the club reporting form has been sent into National. Once again if anyone needs a copy Melanie is more than willing to help provide one to you. If you require any assistance in completing the form please contact me and I will help you complete the form. I know I am starting to sound like a broken record but I want to make sure that District II has all forms completed and we are in compliance with National's regulations. T2 corporation returns should have been filed by Dec 31, 2009 unless your club has been completing these with a different year end already, you would still use that same year end. A copy of the form must be sent to Melanie to keep your club in good standing. It has been great to see all the clubs that have been able to complete everything but for those who have not I will try to contact each club to offer assistance. If you could have your president's email me with a contact person that would be greatly appreciated. My email is hrblockdryden@shaw.ca.

As stated on the Kin website "Risk management is the thorough identification and evaluation of risks, and the careful selection and implementation of risk control strategies. Risk management is a planning process, and like any planning process to be effective it must have the participation of everyone, it must be specific to the organization's needs and circumstances, and it must be ongoing." This ideal is what I trust each club strives to accomplish.

I anticipate a great year for Kin with fellowship, education and service to our communities. Have a great Kin year.

Yours in Kin
Lori Miles
Risk Manager



Coming together is a beginning,
Keeping together is a process,
Working together is a success.

Happy New Year Everyone!

First off, I hope that everyone had a fantastic Christmas and New Year! It's always very special to share time with family and friends.

Looking ahead, I know that we had a great front half the year for service and am looking forward to a dynamite run to the finish. There are a few things that I would like to mention to all clubs in District 2 as we get into the next 6 months of the Kin year. First off, the donations to CF are coming in and we are working our way to the goal of 100k. However, we can always use more participation. Remember, this is one of the reasons we've been just missing that goal for the last couple of years and we just need a little push to get over the hump. Please forward your club donation to either our district treasurer Beth Glauser or the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation office in Toronto. If you need an address, let me know.

Secondly, we have been talking about doing a green, environmentally project in the district. I have included on another page, an info sheet on our "Bottles without Borders" project. This has been designed to not only promote a more environmentally friendly Canada but for our association to work with our youth who will one day form the core of our membership.

Another project that has recently come to light is to have our member's partner with Canadian Blood services. We are establish a mass group ID code with CBS and will work to have people donate blood to help save lives. This is an easy way for our members to give a little of themselves (literally) and help those who truly need it. We'll be coming up with more info for this before your spring zones meetings so keep an eye out.

I would to thank all of you who have supplied me with service project reports. They are trickling in slowly though. If you are running a project in your community, please make sure to e-mail me a report at mckayts@yahoo.ca. This is invaluable as a resource as information can be shared throughout the district.

Last but certainly not least, it is coming the time where clubs will be reviewing their applications for the Hal Rogers Endowment fund bursaries. These bursaries are operated via donations to the fund on an annual basis meaning that the more money that is donated, the more needy students get a bursary. Our district donations to the fund last year were nothing short of disappointing so we are hoping that we have a better drive to support the fund this year.

As always, if you have any question about anything service related, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Yours in Kin
Tim McKay, D2 Service Director

Dear Club Presidents

All I can say is WOW!!! Membership stats this year are amazing. District II is definitely making membership a priority and it shows. Since Sept. we have welcomed 42 new members. Again WOW!! We are now sitting at -11 from Sept. At this time last year we were at 23 new members and -59.

Thank you to all the clubs that are supporting my membership incentives. 13 clubs submitted membership plans and received special badges for their membership directors. 11 clubs held membership nights in November and submitted reports by the Dec. 2 deadline. The winner of the membership night was the Flin Flon Kinsmen. They had 14 guests out of 14 members. The Flin Flon Kinsmen will be receiving custom badges for all their members.

If you are a new member or a sponsor of a new member this year, we will be putting in an order for t-shirts at the end of Jan. and again in June. All new members and their sponsor will be receiving a t-shirt as per incentive 1.

Remember all Gem award winners will receive their district convention registration paid. We already have 1 Gem award winner and there are several members that have sponsored 2 members so far this year.

A special congratulation goes out to the Neepawa Kin club. They held a Grey cup membership event and in Dec. welcomed 7 new members. That deserves a big WOW!! Remember the incentive for the \$500 Kin Sales voucher is percentage of new members per club's June membership so all clubs have an equal chance to win. While we encouraged clubs to hold a Nov. membership drive remember any month is a good time to bring out new members or you may want to hold a second special membership event in Feb. or March.

My term as membership director comes to an end in June. I would like to encourage you to think about taking on this very rewarding position. We are on a role with membership and incoming VG's Lori & Albert have a great team to help keep you going.

Keep up the fantastic work. When membership increases it benefits our association at all levels. We really want to see a + in front of our final numbers at the end of the year. If you have any membership concerns, or would like information on the membership position, please contact me at drosnow@hotmail.com or 807-624-9066.

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Deb Rosnow
District II Membership Director

CF Service Donations
Goal \$100,000.00
To date \$ 4,039.36
December Donations \$0



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The Value of Kin - Kin Doug Anthony Chair National Charter and Expansion Committee

Explaining the value of Kin seems to be one of those elusive things in life.

We know or we understand that the value is there, but when asked to make a list of the values or categorize them it becomes more difficult.

There are the obvious, concrete items that you can point out. We have a National Headquarters and a staff to take care of everyday Association business. You can see this and understand it. We have a comprehensive insurance policy covering our clubs. There is documentation to prove this. You can see it and so can understand. While you may not like the cost of this item it is a necessity of doing business in the world today.

It becomes more difficult when you try to explain the worth of having a purpose, or achieving a goal, or making a difference in your community. The inherent values of Kin. You cannot see these things and they are very difficult to put a value on. A comparative analysis may be one way to explain.

To do this, you could examine what other service organization members pay to be part of their Association. We all know that regardless of the service organization, there is a cost involved to belong to all of them. Some are relatively inexpensive compared to Kin, such as Lions International (about \$50 per year) or the Royal Canadian Legion (\$25). However, Lions International has 1.4 million members and the Royal Canadian Legion about 100,000 or so. With your payment of dues for the Royal Canadian Legion you obtain...the right to vote. No personal development, no leadership courses, etc. Lions International varies, however, effectively, their zone level doesn't exist. It is their Governor's responsibility to visit every club in his/her District (50 to 70), and few can afford to attend the international conventions.

Rotary dues vary from \$200 to \$700 per year. Soroptomists and Zonta International dues are around \$700 yearly, sororities at university start at about \$500, and the list goes on. In an earlier study completed on dues, comparing 32 international service organizations, Kin Canada was amongst the lowest in the world.

Let's compare ourselves to the only other all-Canadian service organization - the Canadian Progress Club (CPC). CPC has about 700 members and 40 clubs throughout Canada, and in fact, they mirror our organization in a majority of areas. They pay about the equivalent of our national dues yearly. Of their national dues, a total of \$5,000 is spent on club administration, training, membership, education, planning, public relations, marketing and postage. They have only one staff member who works three days per week.

You may now say 'why would I care what other organizations pay? I am not a member of other organizations.' So we will go one step further. You may yourself, or you will know someone who pays to be a member of a Golf & Country Club every year. This can vary greatly in yearly dues, but let's average it at \$1000, including your initiation fees and annual dues. For this you can play golf when you want for five months of the year, attend member's only events and eat in the clubhouse. You may play hockey every winter. Average cost will hover between \$200 and \$300. For this money you get to play hockey once a week, a team jersey and you may get a trophy. Belonging to a curling club will cost about \$350. For this annual fee you get to curl weekly, are invited to special events and must spend a predetermined amount in the clubhouse over the course of the six-month period. When you look at some of these numbers it would seem that the cost of being a member of Kin is not only less but offers you a wider variety of intrinsic value.

You will most certainly meet new friends and experience fellowship in all cases. You will not be given the opportunity to work on your organizational skills, your writing skills, or your presentation skills. You will not be helping your community by being a member of the local hockey team, or playing golf. You will not be working on your administrative, marketing or public relations skills. You will not be offered education and training unless it is specific to golfing, curling or hockey.

What is it worth "to strengthen interpersonal relationships, manage stress and handle fast-changing conditions? You'll be better equipped to perform as a persuasive communicator, problem-solver and focused leader. And you'll develop a take-charge attitude initiated with confidence and enthusiasm"? - \$1,595, plus GST. This is what it costs to join a Dale Carnegie course. Kin Canada delivers these same abilities and much more, for much less.

Kin Canada delivers the best service in the world to their communities. In any town across Canada, you can find a member of the Kin family to help you if you need it. Chances are some of your best friends are Kin, and a good portion of your social life revolves around them. How much is this worth?

Kin Canada will assist you on your resume. Many major corporations look for community service when seeking applicants. Most police forces demand it from a new recruit; applicants to teachers college are advised to show it. Some banks still ask their managers to join a local service club and will pay the annual dues for them. How much is this worth?

If none of this has made you think about the value of being a member, maybe some of the following will inspire you. Kin Canada allows you to make a real difference in your community and in your country. Think of the impact that our \$1 billion contribution to Canada has made. Our partnership with cystic fibrosis and the \$37 million we have donated have made a life altering difference. What about the impact of TeleMiracle the Rehabilitation Foundation, our work with BBQ Canada, Raise the Flag Day, Proud To Be Canadian Tour, Celebrate Canada in the Capitals, Kin Ride to Low Tide, multiple sclerosis, Rick Hansen's Man in Motion Tour, Hal Roger's Endowment Fund, Hay West, KINspire to Stop the Fires, the Juno Beach Center, and all of the local projects you and your club have made? How much is this worth?

The bottom line is the cost of Kin is \$2 per week, but the value of Kin is priceless!



Kin Canada

WANTED

Applicants for National (Association) Directors

Districts 2, 4, 6 & 8

Purpose:

The National Director, as a member of the National Board of Directors, works to set the vision and direction of the Association.

Terms of Office and Responsibilities:

National Directors are elected at their respective District Conventions. Their terms of office will begin July 1st of 2010 and end on June 30th 2012. The first meeting of the National Board of Directors attended by the new National Directors will be at National Convention 2010 on the Monday prior to opening ceremonies. As well as attendance at the Board meetings (four per year, one being held at National Convention), interim Board committee work and follow-up are required.

Qualifications:

Each applicant must be a member in good standing of a club within the district in which he/she is seeking election.

Attributes:

Applicants who are able to work as part of a team, and who possess the attributes of long-term vision development, leadership, decision-making, dedication, creativity, honesty, an openness to challenge and change, a degree of business acumen (including financial statement interpretation) and effective communication skills would be well-suited for this position.

District Process:

Each district has an identified process for the election of its National Director. Please contact your District Governors for information on the election process.

D2 ELECTION

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D2 Events

The Neepawa Kin Club Presents

VALENTINE'S TRIVIA NIGHT

Neepawa Legion Hall

Saturday February 6, 2010

Registration at 7:00 p.m.
TEAMS OF 4 TO 8 PEOPLE

(Individual registration is fine we will match you with a team)

Registration is \$10.00 per person

Preregistration of teams preferred call:
Dennie 476-3466 or Amanda 476-3570 or
Any Neepawa Kin Club Member

Come out for an evening of fun, friendly competition, snacks and refreshments.

District Two First Annual Kin Family Fishing Derby On Beautiful Eagle Lake



In Vermillion Bay, Ontario
August 7th, 2010

More information and registration packages
will be available at District Convention

Need more information??

Contact Rosemary at arfex@drytel.net



The 2010 National Convention committee is pleased to invite you to Halifax August 23-28th!



Chairman: [Richard Hawboldt](#)
Transportation: [Greg Fleming](#)
Promotions: [Gary Carville](#)
Decorations: [Kathy Cameron](#)
Registration Desk: [Bill Urquhart](#)
Entertainment: [Barb Yorke](#); [Peggy Hefler-Simons](#)
Secretary/Treasurer: [Leo Melanson](#)

Visit www.kinvention.ca for all Kinvention details and enter of monthly contest now!

Convention



District 2 Kinvention 2010

in
Thunder Bay, Ontario

June 3-6, 2010

Bring Out The HERO In YOU!

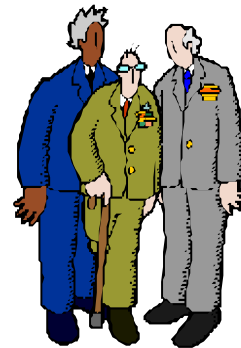


Accommodations & Hospitality
at the

Victoria Inn

555 West Arthur St

Registration @ Victoria Inn



Convention