

Dear Members of Area 83 Eastern Ontario International

For those of you who are planning to attend your first Assembly on the 5-7 April 2024 in Kingston or online, welcome as we roll out our Spring 2024 Assembly.

All the details can be found on our Area 83 Website by clicking <a href="here">here</a>. Please pre-register for the weekend, especially if you are attending in person and book your Banquet and Lunch tickets now as we have to have final numbers by 22 March 2024.

The weekend will start with the Traditional Open Speaker starting at 8pm. The meeting will be hosted by District 36's Kingston Young People's Group, which is located at The Spire, 82 Sydenham Street, Kingston. Mel C, Delegate Panel 63 will be the speaker. It is a 15-minute walk from the Holiday Inn Waterfront, which is serving as our Assembly Hotel (for reservation details at a preferred rate, click "Book a Room" on Area 83 Website). The Kingston and the Islands District Committee member has let us know that there is abundant parking on the side streets as well.

Saturday we will have our Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing Day at the campus of St. Lawrence College (100 Portsmouth Ave, Kingston, ON) starting at 8:45am sharp, so please be at registration by 8:15am. Please use the Portsmouth entrance as it will make it much easier to find the meeting rooms for those attending in person. It is about a 10-minute drive from the Hotel and there is plenty of free parking available. The Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing Committee has done a fabulous job putting together an interesting agenda for the day (see the Agenda on the Area 83 Website). We will finish the day with a wonderful banquet and special Saturday evening speaker, Robert L, Trustee at Large for Canada, which James O'D our Area 83 Delegate has arranged.

Sunday will be the Area Business Meeting, which will be held at the St Lawrence College. This is a wonderful time to get caught up on all the great things that are going on in each District and with the Area Sub-Committee Chairs and Area Officers. We will also have some important new business to discuss. Background material on these recommendations has been provided to each of the District Committee Members to share with the General Service Representatives and group members.

I would like to finish by encouraging you to consider attending the 2024 Spring Assembly, Kingston 5-7 April 2024. If you are attending in person, please make your hotel arrangements soon and order your banquet and lunch tickets as there are a limited number and we need to have final numbers by 22 March 2024. If you are attending online, you will find the links to all the sessions on the Agenda, which can be found on the Area 83 Website.

Yours in Love and Service

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