



# THE Y SERVICE CLUB OF MIDLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA

## NEWSLETTER

September 30, 2023

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**“To Acknowledge  
the Duty that  
Accompanies  
Every Right”**

### September Social



Thanks to Bob & Beth Bray who hosted at their lovely home our first Y Service Club meeting for the 2023-24 season on Sept 12th. It was well attended by almost all members and their spouses & we welcomed new potential members Daniel & Sharon Broome.

### September 26th Meeting

- ◆ Our first business meeting of the new 2023-24 season was held at the Boathouse Eatery on the shores of Midland Harbour. Visitors and potential new members Daniel Broome from the Midland Cultural Centre and Veeran Kota from Brooklea Golf & Country Club attended along with most members. Regrets were noted from Sharon Broome as well as Joe Jurmain & Gerry Lesperance who are both recovering from medical procedures.
- ◆ A number of items were discussed including upcoming meeting venues & programs for the fall season, fundraising options, the Y's Men's Music Festival and the upcoming Regional Meeting of Y Service Clubs Sept 30th to Oct 1st.
- ◆ Members voted to alter the club's constitution to recognize an alternative name to the club. It will now be known as the Y Service Club of Midland in keeping with a more inclusive approach to branding being done in the Region, the Area and other clubs internationally.





## **Y'S MEN INTERNATIONAL**

### **OCTOBER EMPHASIS**

October is the Emphasis Month for the Alexander Scholarship Fund (ASF) which was established in 1954 in honor of Judge Paul William Alexander. It has supported the YMCA for nearly 70 years through scholarships and training programs primarily for up and coming Y staff members. The purpose of ASF is to promote the training of YMCA staff and/or those seeking to become YMCA staff members. Its aim is to alleviate the desperate shortage of YMCA professionals by encouraging young people in the various countries to take on this responsibility and making financial contributions towards their training.

It is administered by each area and used by each area to promote leadership development within the YMCA. This past year the Canada/Caribbean Area received 4 applications of which 2 were supported with scholarships for continuing education. For more info go to:

<https://www.ysmen.org/our-work/programmes/alexander-scholarship-fund/>



## **UPCOMING PROGRAM**

October 10th - Meeting with Huronia Transition Homes at Brooklea Golf & Country Club

October 24th - Business Meeting (TBD)

October 28th - Rocky Horror Picture Show @ MCC

November 14th - TBD

November 23rd - TBD

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