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# CHRISTINE

## KING-WALLEN

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### FOUR KEY PRIORITIES

**1. SUSTAINABLE GROWTH**

**2: EDUCATION**

**3: INCLUSIVENESS AND DIVERSITY**

**4: FUN AND FELLOWSHIP**

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*Christine's Kiwanis journey began Twenty-Three (23) years ago, when she was inducted into the Kiwanis Club of Fort Montagu, Nassau, The Bahamas.*

*Having benefited from the kindness of others as a child, she believed that joining an organization like Kiwanis would satisfy her desire to assist in nation-building and aid in her passion for giving back. Hence, she immersed herself in the organization, and cemented a work history centered on selflessness, support and stewardship.*

*After serving as Club President 2008-2009, Lieutenant Governor 2013-2014, and in various leadership roles at the Club, Division, and District levels, Christine has honed the relationship-building, problem-solving, and motivational skills necessary to ensure that the Eastern Canada and Caribbean District of Kiwanis International remains a beacon of light and soars to new heights.*

**DLGE Christine is *READY* to *LEAD*: Listen and Learn, Engage and Educate, Appreciate and Act, Develop and Deliver!**



# FOUR KEY PRIORITIES

TO KEEP OUR DISTRICT MOVING 'FOWARD, UPWARD, ONWARD, TOGETHER'.

## 1. SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

- **PRIORITIZE SLP PROGRAMS, TO CULTIVATE LONG-LASTING RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPPORT, MAXIMIZING STUDENTS TRANSITIONING TO ADULTS CLUBS.**
- **IMPLEMENT REAL-TIME EXIT INTERVIEWS TO GAIN INSIGHT INTO CHALLENGES AND FOCUS ON IMPROVEMENT. MEMBERSHIP RETENTION MUST BE PURSUED AS MUCH AS MEMBERSHIP GROWTH.**
- **DEVELOP AND GROW MEMBERSHIP WITH RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP, FRESH IDEAS, UNTAPPED SKILLS & LEADERSHIP RECOURCES.**

## 2: EDUCATION

- **MAXIMIZE TECHNOLOGY TO FOSTER INNOVATION AND EXCITEMENT, AND TO EXPAND OUR REACH.**
- **ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN KIWANIS AMPLIFY AND DEVELOP ADDITIONAL TRAINING FOR LEADERS TAILORED FOR REGIONAL NEEDS.**
- **ESTABLISH A DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY TO ENSURE ONGOING MENTORSHIP AND LEADERSHIP SUCCESSION.**
- **REVISE DELIVERY METHOD OFTEN, TO MAKE LEARNING FUN INSPIRING, EMPOWERING, AND DEVELOPMENTAL.**

## 3: INCIUSIVITY AND DIVERSITY

- **ENSURE ALL COUNTRIES IN THE DISTRICT HAVE A VOICE ON KEY COMMITTEES, FOSTERING FAIR REPRESENTATION AND COLLABORATION.**
- **DEVELOP A DISTRICT-WIDE RESOURSE EXCHANGE. ALLOWING CLUBS TO SHARE BEST PRACTICES ANT USEFUL TOOLS.**
- **PROMOTE CULTURAL AWAENESS INITIATIVES AT CONVENTIONS TO HIGHLIGHT THE UNIQUE CONTRIBUTIONS OF COUNTRIES THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.**

## 4. FUN AND FELOWSHIP

- **FORM A DISTRICT COMMITTEE CHARGED TO DEVELOP OPPORTUNITIES TO FORGE CAMARADERIE OUTSIDE OF CONVENTION TIME.**
- **HOST QUARTERLY GAME NIGHTS USING ONLINE APPLICATIONS TO PROMOTE TOGETHERNESS, CELEBRATE ACHIEVEMENTS AND HELP OTHER PROGRESS.**
- **SUPPORT ONLINE CLUBS AND MEETINGS, TO STRENGTHEN CONNECTIONS ACROSS THE DISTRICT.**





# CHRISTINE FOR VICE GOVERNOR EASTERN CANADA AND THE CARIBBEAN DISTRICT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL



## DISTRICT Leadership

*It was DLGE Christine's exemplary leadership and passion for Kiwanis that led her to serve successfully as District Chair and on numerous district committees.*

- District Long Range Planning Committee Member (2023-2025)
- District Chair: Signature Project (2017-2018)
- District Convention Forum Presenter (2017 & 2020)
  - District Impact Committee Co-Chair (2016-2017)
- District Convention Credential Desk (2016 & 2017)
  - District ADA Circle K Caribbean (2016-2018)
    - Member of the First Timer's Convention Committee (2018)
- District Election Committee: Hamilton Convention (2016)
- District Awards Committee Chairperson (2013-2014)
  - Lieutenant Governor (2013-2014)







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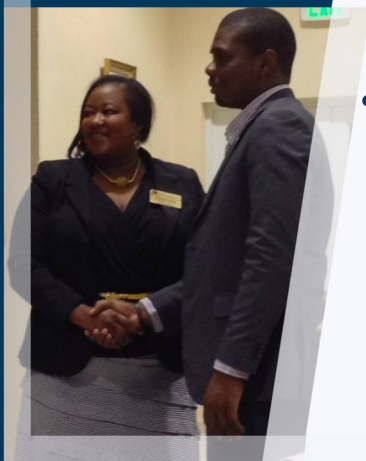
## DIVISION *Leadership*



- Past Lieutenant Governors' Committee Chairperson (2020- Present)
- Division Council Meeting Chairperson & Lieutenant Governor's Advisor (2023-2024)
- Lieutenant Governor's Advisor (2022-2023)
- Kiwanis Bahamas donation to KFC British Columbia Flooding Chairperson (2022)
- Division Hurricane Dorian Relief Committee Chairperson (2019-2023)



- Division Key Leader Charter Committee Member (2017-2018)
- Chairperson - Installation of Officer's Banquet (2016)
- Division Club Counselor – 4 clubs (2014-2017)
- Division Trainer for New Club Officers/Directors/ Chairperson - (2015-2017)



- Division New Club Building Committee- (2013-2015)
  - Division Lieutenant Governor (2013-2014)
- Division Charter Member of The Kiwanis House Building project (2010-2014)
- Division Asst. Administrative Secretary to DLGE Ainsworth O'Rielly (2006-2007)





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## CLUB *Leadership*



*DLGE Christine has served in virtually every LEADERSHIP capacity with the Kiwanis Club of Fort Montagu. She has also chaired many special committees including Installation of Officers', Banquets and Club Anniversary celebrations, raising substantial amounts of funding for charitable projects.*

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- Club Advisor and Fundraising Chair (2023-Present)
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  - Club Treasurer (2017-2018)
  - Club Advisor (2015-2016)
- Club Assistant Fundraising Chairperson (2015-2016)
  - Club Membership Chairperson (2014-2015)
    - Club Secretary (2010-2011)
    - Club President (2007-2008)
      - Director (2003-2005)
  - Chairperson (YCPO, Youth Service, Community Service (2002-2003)







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## Awards & Recognitions



*DLGE Christine's honors for SERVICE and LEADERSHIP in Kiwanis are vast. Notable awards and recognitions include:*

- **Kiwanian of the Year** – 3 times (2002-03, 2004-05 and 2010-11).
- **Distinguished President** for her STEWARDSHIP during the 2007-2008 year.
- **Outstanding Kiwanian Awards**— Club and Division levels
- **Certificate of Dedication and Commitment** from Kiwanis International President Robert “Bob” Moore - 2004.
- **Distinguished Lieutenant Governor with Excellence (DLGE)** - for Outstanding Service as Lieutenant Governor 2013-2014.
- **The Mel Osborne Fellowship** - 2015
- **Coup de Chapeau Award** - 2020
- **The Mel Osborne Fellowship – Diamond Level One** - 2023 - For managing the distribution of over \$300k in Hurricane Dorian relief funds; One of the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada's largest funded project.

*DLGE Christine earned numerous membership awards for sponsoring Kiwanians into the organization. She is likened to a grandmother in her club because of those she introduced into the Kiwanis family, and the chain of sponsorship that continues.*



# **DLGE CHRISTINE MANAGES \$316K HURRICANE DORIAN FUNDING**

In 2019, more than seventy-thousand people in The Bahamas lost nearly everything, because of the Category 5 monstrous hurricane, Dorian. Among the affected were close to 100 Kiwanians and their families living on the Islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama.

The Kiwanis Foundation of Canada committed \$100,000.00 and set out on a campaign to raise additional funds for the cause. Through this humble act, over \$216,000 was raised from other Kiwanis Districts, Clubs, Kiwanians, and Friends of the impacted.

DLGE Christine is humbled to have been selected to chair the committee for the distribution of these funds. She describes it as a humbling experience, having realized what an awesome network of caring people we are as members of the Kiwanis organization. This act of kindness by the KFC will never be forgotten by the residents of Abaco and Grand Bahama.

DLGE Christine's empathy, integrity, and team management skills proved exceptional, resulting in her receiving The Mel Osborne Fellowship medal.





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# MOMENT

Christine's caring and compassionate way of life extends beyond Kiwanis. Her sensitivity to those around her and random acts of kindness, led her into the life of a family of three underage children, in 2002. Soon thereafter, tragedy struck leaving the mother alone. The children's father drowned. Empathetic to the family's plight, Christine could not let the lives of the innocent children be negatively impacted further. So she adopted the family, providing them with groceries and meals and ensuring they were prepared for the school year.



After nearly 20 years of consistent service to the family, in 2021 tragedy returned, when the mom of the boys died. Her last words were for Christine to continue to look out for her boys. And that she did. Today, many years later, Christine remains faithful to these young men, with the help of other Kiwanians, family, and friends.

Many of the acts of kindness of this servant leader are like this. Consistently, she lends a helping hand while opening her heart, to bring hope to those in need. Christine says, "For me, what matters most is the joy of knowing that I have made a difference, especially when it is manifested in the lives of children, whom you watch grow up to become purposeful young people- leading productive lives."

The boys have all graduated and are gainfully employed alongside DLGE Christine in different departments at The Paint Place, Nassau, The Bahamas, raising their own children and making positive contributions to society. Christine says, "This is my why."



A low-angle photograph of four Black women looking upwards with expressions of hope and aspiration. They are wearing denim shirts. The background shows a clear blue sky and a white architectural column.

# FROM HUMBLE BEGINNINGS

Christine King was born on March 15 in Nassau, The Bahamas. The child of teenage parents, she had to be cared for by grandparents and her aunt, Queenie. She was taken from the city to rural Cat Island, where she spent her formative years. Life was not always easy, rather interesting and most of the time fun but perplexing.

The story of Tragedy, Triumph and Service sums up DLGE Christine's life. Both of her parents were deceased by the time she was nineteen, leaving her to raise her siblings - three teenage girls.

"Tough times never last, tough people do". Christine says, this quote by Robert Schuller resonated with her and her sisters and they made every effort to make truth out of it. As the years went on and as each sister graduated and began to work, they grew closer. They each worked and attended college part-time. Eventually each successfully graduated.

"People often applaud us for doing well, but I am so much more delighted when they recognize and applaud us for sticking together", DLGE Christine recounts. "My greatest achievements yet, are my sisters and their kids.





# GARY & CHRISTINE

## A KIWANIS LOVE STORY

Christine and Gary found each other immersed in a life of service. As Kiwanians, they had seen one another at District Kiwanis events and when their connection grew from acquaintances to friends to partners, it simply seemed like the ideal fit.

They first met around 2011 in Collingwood, Canada, with the Blue Mountains as a backdrop. However, it was on Prince Edward Island, in Canada, at another district Kiwanis convention, in 2014, that they had the kind of interaction that left them each wanting a deeper connection.

Christine says of Gary, "I always wanted someone who was service-oriented. I don't think it could have gotten any closer than what I wanted. She particularly appreciates his honesty. "He's real, and he's really loving and helpful. We gel well together

These two have found each other in the annals of service to humanity. Their union comprises of a DLG and a DLGE as both have served as Distinguished Lieutenant Governors in Kiwanis.

Gary says ironically, he joined Kiwanis to serve other people and by meeting Christine, ended up helping himself. "It's not only helping the less fortunate – it's helping us too."





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## AFFILIATIONS

- Catholic Church Fundraising Chair  
(2023- Present)
- Cat Island Sloop Sailing President  
(2017-2022)
- Bahamas Family Planning Association  
President (2008-2013)
- Child Protection Committee Member  
(2013-2015)
- Bahamian Icon Humanitarian Nominee (2015)
- Leading Lady Awardee HIV/AIDS Charity (2016)

## PROFESSION

DLGE Christine is employed at one of the leading retail Bahamian owned businesses, *The Paint Place*, as the *Executive Manager*. For 30 years, she has been committed to professional leadership.

Business management and Customer service are at the heart of her career. She is tasked with establishing goals and conveying the vision to over 40 employees, setting budgets, developing policies and procedures, and motivating managers to achieve company-wide success.





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**GOALS for a  
Stronger EC&C!**

**Equipped to  
MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE.**

**READY TO LEAD**

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