

NEWS AND VIEWS
KIWANIS CLUB OF NEW LONDON, CT
A KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION HONOR CLUB



SERVING GREATER NEW LONDON SINCE 1940

WE MEET EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 12:15 PM
THE LIGHTHOUSE INN
6 GUTHRIE PLACE, NEW LONDON, CT

CLUB OFFICERS 2006-2007

PRESIDENT: Robert Grills **PRESIDENT-ELECT:** Michael Doyle
VICE-PRESIDENT: Tom Moriarty **TREASURER:** Robert Jones
SECRETARY: Martin T. Olsen Jr. **IMM. PAST-PRESIDENT:** Mac Pope
DIRECTORS (1 YEAR): Carol Ballestrini, Gordon Jackson, Phil Lombardo
DIRECTORS (2 YEARS): Valeda Grills, John Russell, Ted Nelson, Glenn Hamler

LEGION OF HONOR: John Kashanski (53), Ed Rachleff (46), Frank Penny (38) and Gordon Jackson (35) **SENIOR MEMBER:** Ed Rachleff

PAST LT. GOVERNORS: John Kashanski (1971-72), Frank Penny (1980-81) Gordon Jackson (1982-83), Martin T. Olsen Jr. (1996-97) and Valeda Grills (2004-05)

LIFE MEMBERS: Martin T. Olsen Jr., John Vincent and Frank Penny

HONORARY MEMBER: Helen McCartin

DIRECTOR KIWANIS FOUNDATION OF NE: Valeda Grills, Tom Moriarty

PAST DISTINGUISHED GOVERNOR & IPP KFNE: Martin T. Olsen Jr.

DISTRICT CHAIR- *MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS*: Martin T. Olsen Jr.

DISTRICT CHAIR- *COMMUNICATIONS*: Robert Grills

LT. GOVERNOR DIVISION 23: Michael Doyle

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ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL 25TH

The Annual Meeting of the Kiwanis Club of New London will be held at 12:15 PM, Wednesday, April 25th at The Lighthouse Inn for the purpose of electing Officers and Directors for 2007-08 and any other germane business to become before the club. The Nominating Committee will make its report on April 11th and nominations will be accepted from the floor on April 18th.

DIVISION 23 CAUCUS

Over thirty members representing six of the eight clubs in Division 23 had representatives at the caucus hosted by Cheshire on March 21st. **Sue Reniewicz** of the Newington club was elected Lt. Governor for 2007-08. Our own **Chip Gorra** will step up as Lt. Governor-elect and follow Sue in 2008-09. **Dick England**, candidate for Governor-elect, from the Sandwich, MA club attended and addressed the group about his candidacy and the Hap Gerrish Registry. **Roland Santoni**, candidate for District Treasurer and current Lt. Governor for Division 22, also attended with his wife, **Elaine**, and discussed his candidacy.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

President Bob has made April 25th a New Member Day. All club members are asked to invite a prospective member- a friend, neighbor, business associate, to the meeting on the 25th as a guest of the club. Please submit the names and contact information to Marty Olsen or Bob Grills. An invitation will be sent out along with a package of information about Kiwanis. The success of this drive will be the proactive and positive enthusiasm each and every member brings. Let's all share our good fortune as members of Kiwanis with others!



APRIL PROGRAMS

ANDREA BELL: CHAIR

April 4: **Jose Gonzalez**, English Professor, USCGA, and Latino Poet

April 11: **Todd Taylor**, Owner of Water Works for Women, a bottled water company that benefits breast cancer research

April 18: TBA

April 25: **Maria Miranda**, Owner and Creative Director for Miranda Creative

GUESTS

Christine Champagne joined her mother, **Marla**, for the club's regular meeting on March 21st.

CONNECTICUT SUN PROGRAM NOW ONLINE

ROBERT JONES WINS BALL EXCHANGE GAME WITH \$55 BID

For the second consecutive year the club has purchased 10 seats for each Connecticut Sun home game. The WNBA team has seventeen home games and plays at the Mohegan Sun Arena. Game selection will continue to be on a first come first serve basis based on payment. Each game can be purchased for \$100 with the club netting \$20 per game for the benefit of Club Administration. Nine games are sold already! Make your reservations early and get the game(s) of your choice!

READING IS FUNDAMENTAL

Ballestrini Childcare

90 Rope Ferry Rd., Waterford

Wednesdays, 9:30-10:15 AM

Contact John Russell at 912-0417 to Volunteer

April 4	Mac Pope	_____
April 11	Andrea Bell	_____
April 25	Andrew Ely	_____



Ballestrini's Childcare

Salem 4 Corners, Salem, CT

Thursday at 9:30-10:15 AM

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April 5	Valeda Grills	_____
April 12	Valeda Grills	_____
April 26	Valeda Grills	_____

PAST PROGRAMS

Robert Jones, program chair for the month, worked quickly when **Judge Mathew Greene** was unable to break away and secured **Kate Sanders** of Old Saybrook, a Master Hypnotist. Ms. Sanders told us she made a career switch at age 50 in 1994 from nurse to hypnotherapist. She approaches her work with a very positive outlook with the result being that her clients take control of their life and their mind. Physical relaxation and positive thinking enhance successful hypnotherapy.

Ed Rosenblatt, Vice President and Branch counsel for Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, addressed the club on March 28th. Rosenblatt gave an overview of the basics of title insurance and handled topics such as:

- ◆ What does title insurance insure?
 1. That your interest in real estate is valid
 2. That there are no liens or other title defects that affect your ownership
 3. That your title is not void because of fraud or forgery
 4. That there was no error in a survey of your property
 5. That your deed adequately describes your property
 6. That you have legal access to your property
- ◆ What are the two basic types of title insurance?
 1. Mortgage Insurance: insures your mortgage lender's interest
 2. Owner's Insurance: insures your interest

- ◆ Why do I need title insurance?
 1. Title insurance covers errors by searchers
 2. Examples of title search problems are such as, but not limited to:
 - a. Mechanics liens and other title problems that “relate back” in time
 - b. Some liens are not required to be recorded, such as liens for unpaid real estate taxes
- ◆ How much does title insurance cost?
 1. Premiums are based on purchase price for owner’s coverage and mortgage amount for loan coverage

ODDS & ENDS

Board of Directors: Tuesday, April 10, 4:30 PM, Waterford Public Library

Need batteries, buy **Interstate Batteries** and support our club. The club receives 30% on all retail purchases through this program. Visit our club website in the Members area at <http://www.newlondonkiwanis.org> for more details!

New London Kiwanis Today with hosts **Ted Nelson** and **Glenn Hamler**. **John Russell**, RIF Coordinator, is this month’s special guest.

- ◆ Every Wednesday on MetroCast Cable Access Television, Channel 24 from 5:30-6:00 PM.
- ◆ Every Thursday on Comcast Cable Access Television, Channel 12 in Groton from 9:30-10:00 PM

90th Anniversary Celebration: Kiwanis Club of Portland, ME, Saturday, April 21st, 6:00 PM, Sheraton Hotel, South Portland, ME, \$40 per person.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 8: **Captain John Lock**

April 30: **Mike Freedman**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

New London Kiwanis Nite @ Connecticut Defenders: Saturday, June 9th

Kiwanis Foundation of New England Annual Meeting: Saturday, June 16th, 10:00 AM, Doubletree Hotel, Westboro, MA; Elections Meeting to Follow

Kiwanis International Convention: July 3-7, 2007, San Antonio, TX

Baseball & BBQ: Saturday, July 21st, Defenders @ Dodd Stadium, 5:30 PM Picnic followed by baseball at 7:00 PM

New England District Convention: August 16-19, 2007, Warwick, RI

DRAWINGS

March 21: **Bob Grills** donated \$8 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*

March 28: **Greg Massad**

WHAT IS KIWANIS?

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF NEW LONDON PROUDLY SPONSORS

Regional Multicultural Magnet School K-Kids

Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School Builders Club

New London High School Key Club

Waterford High School Key Club

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Fitch High School Key Club

