

**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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**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2007-08**

**INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Thursday, October 4, 2007

The Lighthouse Inn

Buffet Dinner Menu

- ◆ Crisp Garden Salad
- ◆ Delmonico Potatoes
- ◆ Fresh Garden Vegetables
- ◆ Grilled Flank Steak with Mushroom Demi Glaze
  - ◆ Grilled Salmon with Red Onion Fume
    - ◆ Pasta Primavera
    - ◆ Warm Rolls with Sweet Butter
  - ◆ Executive Chef Dessert Selection
- ◆ Coffee/Decaf Coffee/Hot Tea Selections

Social Hour at 6:00 PM followed by Dinner Program at 7:00 PM

\$35 per person

Spouses and Guests Welcome

**THE COLOR YELLOW**

The brand new gold Kiwanis Club of New London golf shirts were on display at the Golf Tournament. The snappy shirts are easy to identify and each member's name is embroidered on the left sleeve of their shirt in blue. Thanks to **Robert Jones** who coordinated the order, purchase and delivery of the shirts. The shirts are \$33 each with your check payable to the Kiwanis Club of New London. Members who have not done so and would like to purchase a club shirt, please contact Robert at (860) 912-1928.

## **ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT BIGGEST AND BEST EVER: NETS \$10,000**

### **PROCEEDS BENEFIT KASHANSKI COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND AND KING SCHOLARSHIP FUND AND ENDOWMENT**

On a beautiful Friday afternoon on September 7th, sixty-two golfers teed off at Shennecossett Golf Club in Groton for the club's Annual Golf Tournament. The eight primary sponsors leading the way were **Dime Bank, Reagan Home Improvement, Bob and Valeda Grills, TJ Nelson Home Improvement, Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, Catering to You, Secor Subaru** and **MJ Sullivan Automotive Corner**. There were forty-four tee sponsors, a dozen patrons and other cash donors along with an abundance of raffle prizes and auction items donated by local businesses as well as the club. Club support for this major fundraiser was outstanding. The follow club members contributed to the overall success of the event: **Glenn Hamler, Ted Nelson, Sherry Lombardi, Robert Jones, Marty Olsen, Andrea Bell, Rusty Ballestrini, Mac Pope, Tom Moriarty, Gordon Jackson, Valeda Grills, Chip Gorra, Marla Champagne, John Lock, John Kashanski, Helen Swenson, Tom Lacey, Ed Racheff, Bruce Patterson, Chris Sinnett, Andrew Ely, Carol Ballestrini, John Russell, John Vincent, Frank Penny, Paul Holden, Dave Stender and Rob Krawic**. Special thanks to **Glenn Hamler, Ted Nelson, Sherry Lombardi** and **Marty Olsen** for coordinating the event. The club would also like to thank **Past Governor Jim Banks** and **Governor-elect Dick England** for participating again! Club members were easily identifiable with their new club shirts!

### **ACTIONS OF THE BOARD**

The Board of Directors took the following actions at their meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>:

- ◆ Appropriated \$200 for New London Youth Football
- ◆ A discussion took place about expanding the RIF program with TVCCA.

### **GUESTS**

**Carol Joyce** joined the club on September 12<sup>th</sup> as a guest of **Valeda** and **Bob Grills**.

### **SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS**

#### **VALEDA GRILLS: CHAIR**

September 19: **Lisa Sullivan**, New London Front Porch Program

September 26: **Penny Parsekian**, Executive Director of New London Main St.

### **PAST PROGRAMS**

Old friend **William Stanley**, Vice President of Development at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, addressed the club on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Bill's talk was about the hospital's LAMBS program. LAMBS is an acronym for Lawrence and Memorial Benefactors Society. The group was formed in 1960 with approximately one hundred members. Initially the organization was comprised of the region's elite. Bill acknowledged the club over time has had to work hard to change the perception and mission of the LAMBS and make it more inclusive. Today there are over eight hundred members. The society's fundraising is dues driven. There are two levels of membership: Benefactor at \$125 per year and Patron at \$200. Benefits of membership in the LAMBS are simple: better health care for you and your community, help to provide lifesaving equipment and to support community health education programs and social meetings where you have the opportunity to learn about the progress at the hospital and enjoy the company of fellow LAMBS. Bill extended an invitation as his guest to all members of our club to an upcoming social function and considering becoming a LAMB.

**Carolyn Leuze**, Director of New London Community Boating at Green Harbor Beach, spoke to the club on September 12<sup>th</sup>. This program teaches kids who attend school in New London between the ages of 9-17 how to sail. The program kicked off in 1999 and now is a 501(c)(3) with a \$42,000 budget. This past summer 336 kids took part in the program and received 15 hours of lessons each. Four instructors handle six kids each per week in a morning and afternoon session for a total of forty-eight. The program started with all beginners and now has expanded to include intermediate and racing class. The program receives tremendous support from the City of New London in general and the Recreation Department in particular along with the Thames Yacht Club and many other interested parties. Primary funding sources have been the Palmer and Bodenwein Funds.

## ODDS & ENDS

A critique of the Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 PM at Glenn Hamler's office at Stifel Nicolaus on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in Mariner Square. All participants are encouraged to attend.

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**.

- ◆ 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
- ◆ First and Third Monday on Comcast Cable Access Television, Channel 14 in Lyme and Old Lyme from 5:30-6:00 PM

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Kiwanis 10K for Kids Family Walk:** Saturday, October 13, Worcester, MA proceeds to benefit Kiwanis Foundation of New England and Kiwanis International Foundation

**Tailgate Party with Kiwanis International President David Curry at Kiwanis Family Nite** at the **New England Revolution:** Saturday, October 13, Gillette Stadium, Foxboro, MA (order forms available on club website)

**Official Governor's Visit:** Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

**Fall Training Conference:** North Conway, NH, November 16-18, 2007

**Mid-Winter Training Conference:** Worcester, MA, March 7-8, 2008

**Kiwanis Cruise to Bermuda with Governor John Maihos:** June 1-8, 2008

**Kiwanis International Convention:** Orlando, FL, June 25-29, 2008

**New England District Convention:** August 14-17, 2008

## DRAWINGS

September 5: **Trish Lieteau**  
September 12: **Mike Freedman**

## 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

Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School Builders Club  
New London High School Key Club  
Waterford High School Key Club  
East Lyme High School Key Club  
Lyme-Old Lyme High School Key Club  
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