

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 2007-2008

PRESIDENT: Thomas Moriarty **PRESIDENT-ELECT:** Cpn. Chris Sinnett
VICE-PRESIDENT: Chip Gorra **TREASURER:** Robert Jones
SECRETARY: Martin T. Olsen Jr. **IMM. PAST-PRESIDENT:** Robert Grills
DIRECTORS (1 YEAR): Valeda Grills, John Russell, Ted Nelson, Glenn Hamler
DIRECTORS (2 YEARS): Andrea Bell, David Stender, Mac Pope

LEGION OF HONOR: John Kashanski (54), Ed Rachleff (46), Frank Penny (38) and Gordon Jackson (36)

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), Valeda Grills (2004-06) and Michael Doyle (2005-07)

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

HONORARY MEMBER: Helen McCartin

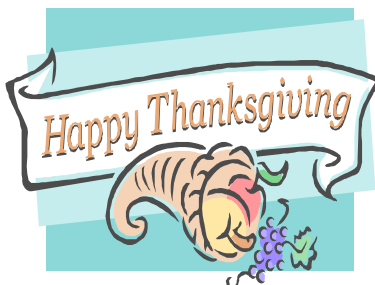
DIRECTOR KIWANIS FOUNDATION OF NE: Valeda Grills, Tom Moriarty

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

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

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ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

The Board of Directors took the following actions their meeting on November 13th:

- ◆ Approved \$250 each to the Kiwanis International Foundation and Kiwanis Foundation of New England for the Annual Club Gift.
- ◆ Andrea Bell will be opening her home for a Holiday Party for club members and their guests on Friday, December 7th. Invitations will be forthcoming.
- ◆ Approved a more detailed analysis of the Club Assessment to take place after the holiday season. Chip Gorra has volunteered to coordinate the effort.
- ◆ Order forms for the Annual Ham & Turkey Sale will be in the mail. All members are asked to buy and/or sell these holiday treats. Andrea Bell is chairing this fundraiser.

INTERCLUBS

2. 11/6/07, Waterford High School Key Club: Ted Nelson, Bob Grills, Chip Gorra and Marty Olsen

NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

TED NELSON: CHAIR

November 21: **Glenn Hamler** to discuss the New London Kiwanis Foundation and NB King Scholarship Fund and Endowment

November 28: **Attorney Gregg Wagman**

SEASONAL SERVICE WITH THE SALVATION ARMY

- ◆ **Thanksgiving Family Dinner:** Tuesday, November 20th at the Salvation Army on Governor Winthrop Blvd. This is an annual joint club and Key Club project. Over 100 meals will be served. Volunteers will be needed to set-up and break down the dining room, wash dishes, serve food, provide table service, bus tables and any other tasks that might arise. Kiwanis club members are asked to bring apple and/or pumpkin pies for dessert. Volunteers will be needed between 4:30 and 6:30 PM
- ◆ **Christmas Party:** Guests from the Salvation Army Youth Program will join the club at our regular meeting at Wednesday, December 19th. Santa sightings will be out and club members are asked to adopt a child and provide a gift, preferably clothing. The Army will provide names, ages, gender and sizes.
- ◆ **Bell Ringing:** Saturday, December 22nd, Crystal Mall, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, two hour shifts at three entrances: Charlie's, JC Penny and Food Court. The Food Court is an indoor location.

PAST PROGRAMS

Anne Marie Foster, Director of Development for the NL Maritime Society, addressed the club on November 7th. Ms. Foster, also acting Executive Director for the Maritime Society, gave an overview of the history and current activities of the New London Custom House Museum on Bank St., which is the home of the Maritime Society. The Custom House, currently operational, has the longest continuous service in the nation and the current structure, built in 1833, was designed by Robert Mills who also designed the Washington Monument. The current building is granite on the outside and brick on the inside with specific design to make it fireproof. This was done with Benedict Arnold's burning of New London in mind. The Maritime Society was formed in 1983 and will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary next year. The Custom House Museum is open April through December from 1-5 PM every day except Tuesday. Along with the Museum, the Custom House has a new Museum Store and the Maritime Society hosts monthly speaking programs primarily with a maritime, nautical and/or historical theme.

The club was addressed on November 14th by **Ray Hasson**, Compliance Manager for CorePlus Federal Credit Union. As noted by Ray, the title Compliance Officer is a fancy word for Security Officer. He gave the assembled a rather chilling overview of identity theft and fraud. He also discussed those offers we all receive that seem too good to be true- They Are. Throughput his talk, Hasson provided guidelines to help protect oneself from identity theft. An abridged list is as follows:

1. Do not give out personal information.
2. Report lost or stolen checks.
3. Destroy unused financial solicitations.
4. Guard your ATM number.
5. Make sure your mailbox is secure.
6. Contact the major credit reporting companies.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

The Annual Open House at the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute (KPTI) will be held Saturday, December 1st at The Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts-New England Medical Center (NEMC) in Boston. Registration is 10:30 AM in the Atrium and the program will open in the Wolff Auditorium. Lunch will be provided. A \$5 donation is requested. KPTI is the signature program between New England Kiwanis through the Kiwanis Foundation of New England and NEMC. KPTI provides research, education, development and training in the specific area of pediatrics. The Open House is open to all branches of the Kiwanis Family: Kiwanis, Circle K, Key Club, Builders Club, K Kids and Aktion Club.



GUESTS

Three guests joined the club for lunch on November 7th: **Rich Cheatham** who has also submitted a membership application; **Bud Fay** as a guest of **John Russell** and **Paul McNerney** as a guest of **Robert Jones**.

Nik Naholnik joined the club for lunch on the 14th as a guest of **John Russell**. **Bob Grills** escorted Nik in John's absence due to an unforeseen scheduling conflict.

ODDS & ENDS

Interested club members and guests can enjoy An Evening at the Garde to see *Evita* on Friday, January 11, 2008. Tickets are \$50 each. Payment must be made by December 28th. The curtain goes up at 8:00 PM.

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

New England Circle K District Convention: Westboro, MA, February 15, 17, 2008

New England Kiwanis One Day for Growth: Wednesday, March 5, 2008

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

Kiwanis International "One Day for Service": Saturday, April 5, 2008

Key Leader: Camp Hayward, Sandwich, MA, May 16-18, 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

November 7: **Andrew Ely**

November 14: **John Lock**

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

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