

**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:** Richard Cheatham  
**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 Kaiser, Mary Jane Rickard, Mac Pope

**LEGION OF HONOR:** John Kashanski (54), Ed Rachleff (47), Frank Penny (39) 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) and Valeda Grills (2004-06)

**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- *READ AROUND THE WORLD*:** Robert Grills

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**KING SCHOLARSHIPS PRESENTED**

Three outstanding graduating seniors will each receive \$1000 Kiwanis Club of New London NB King Scholarship Grants. The recipients are **Curtis Tripp**, **Marissa Charles** and **Hannah Drake** from Waterford High School, St. Bernard's High School and Fitch High School respectively. On June 11<sup>th</sup> Scholarship Committee Chair **Glenn Hamler** presented Curtis and Hannah their awards. Marissa and her parents were unable to attend as they were all at an orientation at Assumption College in Worcester where Marissa will be heading in the fall. Marissa plans on studying biology and pursuing a career in the healthcare field. A member of the National Honor Society, Marissa also captained the school's tennis and varsity cheerleading teams. In her spare time she found time to work and volunteer extensively in the community. Curtis was joined by his parents Scott and Margaret for the program and will be heading to the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, IN in the fall where he plans to study engineering. Curtis has been a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club and the Student Council. He has participated in at least two sports each year in high school while also working part-time and providing extensive volunteer services in many capacities. Hannah is headed to the University of Connecticut in Storrs and plans on a dual major in Finance and Applied Mathematics. She was joined her mother, Heather, for the program. Hannah's father, a US Navy Machinist's Mate, was on sea duty and unable to attend. Rounding out the Scholarship Committee are **Ted Nelson**, **Sherry Lombardi**, **Mac Pope** and **Rich Cheatham**.



**Marissa Charles**



**Hannah Drake**



**Curtis Tripp**

**ACTIONS OF THE BOARD**  
**AHOY: NEW MEMBER ABOARD**

The Board of Directors took the following actions at their meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>:

- ◆ Approved the Membership Application (transfer) of **Connie Potter**, sponsored by Marty Olsen, from the Riverfront Cincinnati Kiwanis Club
- ◆ Approved to sponsor a new **Key Club at Montville High School**  
 Ten students, along with a Faculty Advisor, attended an informational/organizational meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The club will be up and running when school starts in the fall.
- ◆ Approved a Girl Scout Camp Scholarship (\$170) to Camp Pattagansett in East Lyme
- ◆ Elected as Delegates to the New England District of Kiwanis Convention the weekend of August 21-24, 2008: **Tom Moriarty, Mac Pope and Rich Cheatham**

**JUNE PROGRAMS**  
**SHERRY LOMBARDI: CHAIR**

June 18: **Arthur Lerner**, Director of Operations, F.R.E.S.H., New London c/o Gemma Moran/United Way Labor Food Bank

June 25: **Jeanne Gilbert**, Independence Physical Therapy (tentative)

**KIWANIS NITE AT DEFENDERS BEATS RAIN**

**Kiwanis Nite** at the Connecticut Defenders on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> evolved into a doubleheader with the Binghamton Mets. **President Tom** had **Justin Santacroce**, his nephew, throw out the ceremonial First Pitch to represent the club between games. Joining President Tom on the field for a check presentation were **Rich Cheatham, Dave Stender, Dennis McCarthy, Marty Olsen** and **Ted Nelson**. The Defenders were swept in the double-header: 3-0 in the opener and 7-4 in the nightcap, which also had two long rain delays. This program has netted over **\$400** to date and tickets are still available and can be exchanged at the box office for any home game this season. If you are going to a Defenders game this season as the weather warms up, please buy your tickets from the club as it represents pure profit and money that will ultimately benefit the children of our community. Contact Marty Olsen for tickets. Club members supporting this program to date are **Rusty & Carol Ballestrini, Andrea Bell Kaiser, Michael Bowe, Rich Cheatham, Bill Everett, Bob & Valeda Grills, Glenn Hamler, Gordon Jackson, John Kashanski, Rob Krawic, Tom Lacey, John Lock, Sherry Lombardi, Helen McCartin, Tom Moriarty, Ted Nelson, Marty Olsen, Frank Penny, Mac Pope, Ed Rachleff, John Russell, Chris Sinnett, Dave Stender, Nick Vallas** and **John Vincent**.

**INTERCLUBS**

7. 6/10/08, Montville High School Key Club: **Tom Moriarty, Valeda Grills, Rich Cheatham** and **Marty Olsen**

**SKYBOX GAME RAINED OUT ON MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
**RESCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>**

The Defenders game with the Skybox donated by Ted Nelson on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, which featured a post-game fireworks show, was rained out. The Skybox, originally sold out, is rescheduled for Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> and a **limited number of tickets are available**. Proceeds from this will benefit the John Kashanski Community Service Fund and Kiwanis Club of New London NB King Scholarship Fund and Endowment.

**CONNECTICUT DEFENDERS VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP LIST**

The Kiwanis Club of New London, as part of our partnership agreement with the Connecticut Defenders, has committed to providing three volunteers to each of the following games for 2008. Volunteers are asked to be at Dodd Stadium by 5:15 PM. Gates open at 5:30 PM. Report to Jim Epps. Volunteers work at the gate in a variety of capacities usually until the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> inning. All these dates are fireworks nites.

Friday, June 13	Bob Grills	Marty Olsen	_____
Friday, June 20	Rich Cheatham	Ted Nelson	_____
Friday, July 11	Mac Pope	Valeda Grills	_____
Friday, July 25	_____	_____	_____
Friday, August 8	Ted Nelson	Glenn Hamler	_____
Friday, August 22	_____	_____	_____

## GUESTS

**Erin McGuire**, Faculty Advisor to the New London High School Key Club, and **Bob Bacewicz**, Principal at Fitch High School, joined our luncheon featuring Key Leader students on June 4<sup>th</sup>. **Connie Potter** also joined the club on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Connie has submitted a membership application and has been very active in club activities and projects.

## PAST PROGRAMS

Five local high school students: **Gayle Moriarty**, Montville HS and President Tom's daughter, **Jacob Grills**, East Lyme HS and Bob and Valeda Grills grandson, **Deep Kanagala**, Fitch HS and Key Club member and **Marvin Jones** and **Gerald Luter**, New London HS and Key Club members, attended **Key Leader** the weekend May 16-18<sup>th</sup> at Camp Hayward, Sandwich, MA on Cape Cod and shared their experiences at our meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Each began the weekend with various forms of trepidation, but came home brimming with confidence and a host of new friends. Club members asked the students a plethora of questions about their experience and to a person they all would do it again. Joining the students for the weekend were **President Tom**, **Bob Grills** and **Connie Potter**. Although in Bermuda on the Kiwanis Cruise and unable to be at the luncheon, Bob had prepared each student a pictorial scrapbook which were presented to each.

**Key Leader Mission Statement:** To inspire young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership.

### Keys to Excellence:

- **Personal Integrity**—Doing the right thing.
- **Personal Growth**—Developing in mind, body, and spirit.
- **Respect**—Showing consideration for self, others, and property.
- **Building Community**—Developing relationships to achieve positive goals.
- **Pursuit of Excellence**—Expecting and achieving the best.

### Upcoming Key Leader Events

September 12-14, 2008

Camp Huckins  
Freedom, NH

October 17-19, 2008

Lakeside Camp  
Pittsfield, MA

## CONNECTICUT SUN 2008

Only three games remain to be purchased with the New London Kiwanis season ticket plan with the Connecticut Sun. A game includes 10 seats for only \$80. The following games are still available: Tuesday, July 1, Houston Comets, 7 PM, Thursday, July 24, LA Sparks, 7 PM and Friday, September 5, Chicago Sky, 7 PM.

## ODDS & ENDS

**Mary Jane Rickard** has been elected by the club to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors for the balance of 2007-08 and the 2008-09 term created by the loss of **David Stender** to grad school in Schenectady, NY.

**Gloria Dover**, **Tom Moriarty**, **Bob Grills**, **Andrew Ely**, **Gordon Jackson** and **Marty Olsen** represented the club at the Yale-Harvard Regatta Program at the Joint Service Club Meeting with Kiwanis, Lions and Rotary on June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Lighthouse Inn.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**New England District Convention:** Danvers, MA, August 21-24, 2008

## DRAWINGS

June 4: **Jack Russell** donated \$6 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*

June 11: **Tom Lacey**

## THE KIWANIS CLUB OF NEW LONDON PROUDLY SPONSORS

New London High School Key Club  
Waterford High School Key Club  
East Lyme High School Key Club

Lyme-Old Lyme HS Key Club  
Montville High School Key Club  
Fitch High School Key Club

