

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 PRIVATE ROOM, CLARKE CENTER
MITCHELL COLLEGE
437 PEQUOT AVE., NEW LONDON, CT 06320

CLUB OFFICERS 2008-2009

PRESIDENT: Captain Chris Sinnett, USCG **PRESIDENT-ELECT:** John Russell
VICE-PRESIDENT: Robert Grills **TREASURER:** Richard Cheatham
SECRETARY: Martin T. Olsen Jr. **IMM. PAST-PRES:** Thomas Moriarty
DIRECTORS (1 YEAR): Andrea Bell Kaiser, Gordon Jackson, Jim Sylvester
DIRECTORS (2 YEARS): LCDR Andrew Ely, USCG, Sherry Lombardi, Ted Nelson, Glenn Hamler

LEGION OF HONOR: John Kashanski (55), Frank Penny (39) and Gordon Jackson (37)
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
VICE PRESIDENT KIWANIS FOUNDATION OF NEW ENGLAND: Valeda Grills
PAST DISTINGUISHED GOVERNOR & DIRECTOR KFNE: Martin T. Olsen Jr.
DISTRICT CHAIR- MARKETING & BRANDING: Martin T. Olsen Jr.
LT. GOVERNOR DIVISION 23: Robert Grills

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ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

The Board of Directors at their meeting on June 9th took the following actions:

- ◆ Approved forming a team to participate in the *American Diabetes Association StepOut Walk*, **Team Kiwanis**, to be captained by **Andrea Bell Kaiser**. The walk will take place Sunday, September 20th at Harkness State Park. Club members are encouraged to walk and/or support club/team members who do.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$150** to support **Robert Jones**, a club member, in an MDA (Muscular Dystrophy Association) event this summer.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$300** to support the **Waterford Country School's Kabaret for Kids**.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$200** to buy ten New England Revolution flex tickets and donate them to the Salvation Army Youth Program for the annual **Kiwanis Foundation of New England** soccer program.
- ◆ Elected **Tom Moriarty** to be **Club Representative** to the **Kiwanis Foundation of New England**.
- ◆ **Bob Grills** has volunteered to co-host *New London Kiwanis Today*.

SUMMER READING IS FUNDAMENTAL

SALVATION ARMY

VOLUNTEER READERS ARE NEEDED 2:30-3:00 PM

CHILDREN AGES 5-12

June 29	Ted Nelson	_____
July 6	Bob Grills	_____
July 13	_____	_____
July 20	_____	_____
July 27	_____	_____

YALE-HARVARD REGATTA LUNCHEON JOINT SERVICE CLUB GATHERING



The Annual Yale-Harvard Regatta Luncheon, hosted by the New London Rotary Club, was held on Thursday, June 11th, at the Radisson Hotel. **John Russell**, **Gordon Jackson** and **Marty Olsen** represented the club. Harvard coach, Harry Parker, in his forty-seventh season, and Yale coach, John Pescatore, in his seventh season, both addressed the large crowd. President-elect John pulled the west lane for Yale for the freshmen race. The keynote speaker for the program was Craig Johnson, author of *Mind Over Water*. The Regatta is the oldest intercollegiate athletic competition in the country.

CONNECTICUT SUN 2009

DON'T BE LEFT OUT IN THE COLD-GET IN THE SUN!

Only six games remain for sale: ten tickets in Section 102, Row K, Seats 8-17

Great for Family, Business, Charity

Only \$80 per Game

1. June 27, Saturday, **Atlanta Dream**, 7:00 PM
2. July 11, Saturday, **Detroit Shock**, 7:00 PM
3. July 25, Saturday, **WNBA All-Star Game**, 3:30 PM
4. August 19, Wednesday, **New York Liberty**, 7:00 PM
5. August 25, Tuesday, **Detroit Shock**, 7:00 PM
6. September 13, Sunday, **Indiana Fever**, 3:00 PM

ODDS & ENDS

Kiwanis Foundation of New England: Annual Meeting, Saturday, June 20th, 10:00 AM, Wolf Auditorium, Tufts Medical Center, Boston, MA

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!

JUNE PROGRAMS

SHERRY LOMBARDI: CHAIR

June 17: **Mark Somers**, MD, Cardiologist at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital

June 24: **Roundtable Discussion on Golf Tournament 2009 and 2010**

PAST PROGRAMS



Mike Tuccio and **Ed DeLaura** from the Friends of Fort Trumbull addressed the club on June 3rd. The gentlemen gave a history of the fort and supplemented their presentation with a slide show. The fort, whose origins go back to colonial/Revolutionary War times, is now a State Park and Visitors Center. The grounds are free and there is a nominal fee to access the fort and visitors center. The site and facility has had many uses over the years. Originally an earthworks fortification, similar to Fort

Griswold in Groton during the Revolution, it was modified to its current structure during the mid 19th Century. During the early 20th Century it was used as the site of the Coast Guard Academy. Sadly, during the Cold War the fort was enclosed by the Naval Underwater Research Center (NUSC) and not accessible to the public. The consolidation of naval research to Newport along with the proposed development of the Fort Trumbull peninsula has again reopened the fort and immediate area to the public as a State Park. This valuable resource is gaining traction, especially with the efforts the Friends of Fort Trumbull. The photo, submitted by **Rich Cheatham**, features from left to right: **Mike Tuccio**, President-elect **John Russell** and **Ed DeLaura**, receiving Kiwanis mugs and certificates.

Marvin Jones and **Isaiah Dixon**, seniors at New London High School, spoke to the club on June 10th about their experiences at Key Leader. The leadership weekend was held May 15-17 at Camp Hayward in Sandwich, MA. Both young men, members of the Key Club at New London, indicated they greatly benefited from the experience. This was Marvin's second time at Key Leader. Marvin and Isaiah both commented on how they had to learn to subordinate their own leadership desires and learn to listen and take direction from others. They also commented that they were able to meet everyone at the session over the weekend.

DEFENDER VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS NEED TO REPORT TO THE MAIN GATE BY 5:15PM

July 3	Marla Champagne	Ted Nelson	Robert Jones
July 10	Bob Grills	_____	_____
July 24	Glenn Hamler	Ed Brailey	_____
July 31	Bob Grills	Ted Nelson	_____

GUESTS

Mary Christina and **Carol Artino** joined the club at our regular meeting on June 3rd as guests of **Sherry Lombardi**. Both ladies volunteered at our Golf Tournament- Mary for the second consecutive year!

CALENDAR

- ❑ **Key Club International Convention:** Dallas, TX, July 1-4, 2009
- ❑ **Circle K International Convention:** Birmingham, AL, August 5-9, 2009
- ❑ **New England Convention:** Crowne Plaza, Warwick, RI, August 14-16, 2009

WHAT IS KIWANIS?

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

DRAWINGS

- June 3: **William Everett** donated \$2 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*
- June 10: **Rusty Ballestrini**

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF NEW LONDON PROUDLY SPONSORS

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



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

OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

- ❑ **To give primacy** to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life
- ❑ **To encourage** the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships
- ❑ **To promote** the adoption and application of higher social, business and professional standards
- ❑ **To develop**, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship
- ❑ **To provide** through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities
- ❑ **To cooperate** in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

