

Boys & Girls Clubs of America to foster, nurture, and establish a legacy of serving children, a cornerstone mission for both organizations. An opportunity for mutual cooperation may be at our fingertips. Photo of President-elect **Rich Cheatham** presenting certificate to **Shantice Grant** submitted by **Bob Grills**.

Susan Bailey, Development Coordinator for the Riverfront Children's Center, spoke to the club on October 14th. Located at 476 Thames St. in Groton, Riverfront Children's Center is the largest childcare provider for infants and toddlers in southeastern Connecticut. Riverfront initially was a subset of the YWCA providing services in 1983. They took over the facility and became the prime service provided in 1995. Riverfront provided service to seventy-two children in 1995 and now has expanded to over one hundred plus. The primary clients Riverfront serves are low-income families that don't earn enough to provide childcare on their own, but earn too much to qualify for government assistance. Fees are based on a sliding scale. The agency has just broke the \$1M level for their annual budget. A United Way agency, Riverfront receives approximately 25% of its funding from that source and 40% from three separate State of Connecticut programs. The balance comes from fees, fundraising, and support from local community service groups, like us. Two primary areas of focus for Riverfront are promotion of literacy and integrating the families of the children served. Susan also spent time discussing the Riverfront Garden and Natural Playspace. The garden was designed and built as an Eagle Scout project that we supported. Our club has also provided financial support to Riverfront. A New Jersey native, Susan now lives in North Stonington with her husband.

FALL TRAINING CONFERENCE

November 20-22, 2009

North Conway Grand Summit Hotel

North Conway, NH

Register online at newenglandkiwanis.org or see Marty Olsen, Club Secretary

GUESTS

The club had a surprise guest on October 14th when old friend and former member **Connie Potter** dropped in. Connie is in the area anxiously awaiting the birth of her first grandchild. Since moving back to Ohio, Connie has joined the Kiwanis Club of Sharonville, OH.

ODDS & ENDS

Check out our revamped club website at newlondonkiwanis.org. **Tom Moriarty**, our webmaster, has upgraded and updated the format making it easier to navigate though.

Club members please contact **Marty Olsen** if you are receiving the *News & Views* via hard copy and email and would like to be removed from the mailing list to save postage.

With the holidays rapidly approaching, go to our club website at newlondonkiwanis.org, visit the Members Area and buy your batteries from **Interstate Batteries** and use the code KIWANISCT. The club receives **30%** of the retail purchase.

OCTOBER PROGRAMS

RICH CHEATHAM: CHAIR

October 21: **Dr. Andrew Gibson, Ph.D.**, Parenting Angry Children and Teens (PACT)

October 28: **Elizabeth Garcia Gonzalez**, Executive Director, Centro de la Comunidad

NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

MARTY OLSEN: CHAIR

November 4: **Kathleen Cicchese**, Key Club Lt. Governor for Division 29-A

November 11: **Art Costa**, Acting Chair, New London Local First

November 18: **Honorable Emmet L. Cosgrove**, Judge, NL Judicial District Courthouse

November 25: **Margaret "Peg" Ackley**, Chief of Police, New London, CT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fall Training Conference: Grand Summit, North Conway, NH, November 20-22, 2009

Mid Winter Training Conference: Crowne Plaza, Worcester, MA, March 5-7, 2010

Kiwanis International Convention: Las Vegas, NV, June 24-27, 2010

DRAWINGS

October 7: **Rich Cheatham** donated \$4 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*

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SEASONAL SERVICE WITH THE SALVATION ARMY

PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW

Tuesday, **November 24th**, Thanksgiving Dinner at the Salvation Army, Governor Winthrop Blvd., New London

Wednesday, **December 16th**, Christmas Party with children from the Salvation Army Youth program as guests.

Saturday, **December 19th**, Bell Ringing at the Crystal Mall, Waterford

FUTURE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Las Vegas, NV: June 24-27, 2010

Geneva, Switzerland: July 7-10, 2011

New Orleans, LA: June 27-July 1, 2012

Vancouver, British Columbia: June 26-30, 2013

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.



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