

PAST PROGRAMS

The **Honorable Emmet L. Cosgrove** addressed the club on November 18th. Judge Cosgrove has recently been assigned to the New London Judicial District Courthouse on Huntington Street. A New London resident, Cosgrove has been serving on the bench since 2001. Judge Cosgrove opened his remarks by sharing that his father was a Kiwanian on Long Island and served as Lt. Governor. He has fond memories as a youth and often spent time with his dad at Kiwanis activities. The thesis of Judge Cosgrove's remarks is the importance of the separation of powers and independence of the judicial branch by being appointed, in the case of Connecticut eight-year terms, rather than be elected. The protection of appointment allows the judicial branch to apply and interpret the law and not be influenced or intimidated by public opinion. He buttressed his case by referencing the Declaration of Independence and how right from the beginning our Founding Fathers wisdom has shown through with the need for an independent judiciary.



New London Police Chief **Margaret "Peg" Ackley**, a dynamic and enlightening speaker, addressed the club on November 25th. Chief Ackley, who started out over 23 years ago as a part-time New London police officer, has worked in all areas of the department, becoming its first female detective, later its first female captain and now its first female Police Chief. Chief Ackley discussed a variety of issues facing New London and the police department. She offers a proactive

return-to-the-basics approach to what she believes is best for the city by starting with small steps like reaching out and meeting business owners and employees and by having police officers walk the beat. Finally, Chief Ackley laid out her vision for the New London Police Department, starting with an "I can make a difference" attitude, open communication and raised visibility of all police department members. Blurb and photo of President John thanking Chief Ackley submitted by **Rich Cheatham**.



Attorney Chester Fairlie addressed the club on December 2nd in his capacity as director and facilitator for the advocacy group Survivors of Homicide. This sobering talk held the assembled in rapt attention. In 2008 there were on hundred thirty four homicides in Connecticut. Survivors of Homicide work with folks who come to them on a voluntary basis. Survivors deal with a myriad of issues and emotions such as, but not limited to shock, anger and depression. The New London

chapter, which Fairlie oversees, meets once a month at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital on the fourth Tuesday of every month. There is no fee for people to participate in this group therapy. The program, which is statewide, has its main office in Wethersfield with one full-time employee and receives 80% of its funding from a grant from Connecticut Victim Services and the balance from private donations. The mission of Survivors of Homicide is to get their clients to reconnect in whatever way necessary, such as with family, friends, society or in whatever way they may have been affected. The photo, submitted by **Rich Cheatham**, features from left to right: President John Russell, Chester Fairlie, and Program Chair for December Ted Nelson.

GUESTS

Andrew and Loreen Lockwood were guests of **President John Russell** for lunch on November 18th, 25th and December 2nd. They have each taken membership applications.

ODDS & ENDS

Board of Directors: Tuesday, December 8th, 4:30 PM, Waterford Public Library

Golf Tournament: volunteers to serve on golf committee sought. Please contact **Sherry Lombardi** at 860-437-0293 or slombo@msn.com.

DECEMBER PROGRAMS

TED NELSON: CHAIR

December 9: **Carl Anderson**, Director of Fraternal Affairs for Masonicare

December 16: **Christmas Party** to be held at the Officers Club on the Coast Guard Academy with special guests from the Salvation Army Youth Program. **Santa Claus** is expected to make an appearance!

December 23: TBA

December 30: TBA

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 11: **Michael Bowe**

December 22: **Chip Gorra**

December 23: **Helen McCartin** (Happy 99th)

December 24: **Andrea Kaiser**

DRAWINGS

November 18: **Rachel Mirochnick**

November 25: **Pam Stevens Moriarty** donated \$4 to the

Kiwanis Club of New London NB King Scholarship Endowment

December 2: **John Russell** donated \$2 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*

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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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and invite them to our club!!**