

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 2009-2010

PRESIDENT: John Russell **PRESIDENT-ELECT:** Richard Cheatham
VICE-PRESIDENT: Andrea Kaiser **TREASURER:** William Everett
SECRETARY: Martin T. Olsen Jr. **IMM. PAST-PRES:** Thomas Moriarty
DIRECTORS (1 YEAR): LCDR Andrew Ely, USCG, Sherry Lombardi, Ted Nelson,
Glenn Hamler
DIRECTORS (2 YEARS): Jim Sylvester, John Vincent, Pam Stevens Moriarty

LEGION OF HONOR: John Kashanski (56), Frank Penny (40), Gordon Jackson (38)
and Bruce Patterson (25)

PAST LT. GOVERNORS: John Kashanski (1971-72), Frank Penny (1980-81), Gordon
Jackson (1982-83), Martin T. Olsen Jr. (1996-97), Robert Grills (2008-2009)

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

HONORARY MEMBER: Helen McCartin

DIRECTOR KIWANIS FOUNDATION OF NE: Robert Grills

PAST DISTINGUISHED GOVERNOR: Martin T. Olsen Jr.

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REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominating Committee Report: April 14th, Officers and Directors for 2010-2011:
President: **Rich Cheatham** President-Elect: **LCDR Andrew Ely, USCG**
Vice-President: **Pam Stevens Moriarty** Treasurer: **William Everett**
Directors (1 Years): **Jim Sylvester, John Vincent, Andrea Kaiser**
Directors (2 Year): **Glenn Hamler, Sherry Lombardi, Tom Moriarty and**
Loreen Lockwood Immediate Past-President: **John Russell**
Nominations from the floor will be accepted on April 21st. Elections will be held at the
Annual Meeting, which will be April 28th. The Nominating Committee is comprised of
John Russell, William Everett and Rich Cheatham.

MITCHELL COLLEGE CIRCLE K RECEIVES CHARTER



The newly formed **Mitchell College Circle K Club** received its Charter on Friday, April 2, 2010 at a spirited celebration held at the Weller Center on campus. The club, which was formed last fall, recognized the Charter Members and Officers. The Charter Officers were **Heather Yablin**- President; **Lauren Chiamonte**- Vice President; **Caitlin**

Brown- Secretary and **Skye Cavise-** Treasurer. Officers elected to serve for 2010-2011 are **Dena Slotoroff-** President; **Lauren Chiaramonte-** Vice President; **Caitlin Brown-** Secretary and **Mark Mancusi-** Treasurer. **Heather Yablin** has been appointed Lt. Governor for the Mystic Division and will be a representative on the New England Circle K District Board for 2010-2011. Presiding officer for the celebration was Circle K Governor **Abbe O'haire** from Keene State College in Keene, NH. Six members of the Kiwanis Club of New London, the sponsoring Kiwanis club, were in attendance (see Interclubs). Visiting Kiwanis dignitaries included Governor **David Koohy** (Newport, RI), District Treasurer **Bill Jenkins** (Sandwich, MA), Circle K Administrator **Tim Daly** (Hingham-Weymouth) and Division 23 Lt. Governor **Toni Walker**. Photo credit **Rich Cheatham**.

ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

The Board of Directors took the following action at their meeting on April 13th:

- ◆ Elected **Bob Grills** and **Rich Cheatham** to be delegates to the Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas, NV the weekend of June 24-27.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$250** to the **Bike Guy LLC** in support of the **Whaling City Cyclone Bicycle Race** along with the club providing a **Bike Rodeo** in conjunction with the race and **\$300** to buy bike helmets and supplies to support the rodeo.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$50** to support New London Science and Technology High School's **Darien Thomas** pursuit of the **National American Miss** contest.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$100** to sponsor **Lalita Russ** of Connecticut College in the **Walk for the Homeless** to benefit the **Homeless Hospitality Center**.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$100** for a **Tee Sponsorship** for the **Harry Martinez Golf Tournament** to benefit the **Connecticut Children's Hospital**.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$500** to support the **City of New London Sports Complex** at New London High School.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$100** to support the **Caulkins Memorial Park Public Garden**.
- ◆ Appropriated **\$50** to purchase an advertisement in **Mitchell College Drama Program Book** in the name of the **Mitchell College Circle K Club**.

READING IS FUNDAMENTAL

PROGRAM COORDINATOR: RICH CHEATHAM

Volunteer Readers Needed

Readers are needed at 9:30 AM on Wednesday mornings at the Waterford and Niantic locations and Thursday mornings at the Salem center of Ballestrini's Childcare Centers. The adult readers will read two books to 10-12 three to five year old preschool children. Contact Rich Cheatham at 860-271-6608 or richcheatham@hotmail.com to volunteer or sign-up at a club meeting. This project qualifies as an official Kiwanis International Young Children Priority One and Read Around the World program.

Waterford

4/21 Loreen Lockwood
4/28 Suzanne Maryeski

Niantic

4/21 Andrew Lockwood
4/28 Pam Moriarty

Salem

4/22 Bob Grills
4/29 Bob Grills

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNEY

Thursday, May 20th

12:30 PM Shotgun Start

Shennecossett Municipal Golf Club

Groton, CT

Players, Volunteers, Sponsors, Raffle Prizes Needed

Tournament Co-Chairs

Sherry Lombardi at 860-437-0293 or slombo@msn.com

Ted Nelson at 860-235-0770 or ted@tjnelsonhomes.com

APRIL PROGRAMS

ANDREA KAISER: CHAIR

April 21: **Dr. Peter Love**, Mitchell College, Director of the Learning Center

April 28: **Dr. Anthony Alessi** will discuss his recent trip to Haiti

INTERCLUBS

1. 4/2/10, Mitchell College Circle K Charter Celebration: **Rich Cheatham, John Russell, Jack Russell, Bob Grills, Tom Moriarty** and **Marty Olsen**

MAY PROGRAMS

ED BRAILEY: CHAIR

May 5: **Sandra Clarke** will discuss waiting for a lung transplant

May 12: **Lloyd Beachy**, former Mayor of the City of New London, will offer his thoughts and observations on the city

May 19: **JoAnne** and **Ed Brailey** will discuss care-giving for an ill patient or family member and JoAnne's experience helping Ed get to transplant

May 26: **Kiwanis Club of New London NB King Scholarship Presentations**

GUESTS

Suzanne Maryeski, Executive Director of the New London Public Library, and **Wyatt Leske** from the Mitchell College Circle K Club joined the club for lunch on April 7th.

Six guests joined the club for our regular meeting on April 14th: **Dena Slotoroff**, President of the Mitchell College Circle K; **Heather Yablin**, Mitchell College Circle K and Lt. Governor of the Mystic Division of New England Circle K; **Amanda Miller**, Mitchell College Circle K; **Kathleen Cicchese**, Immediate Past Key Club Lt. Governor Division 29-A from Montville High School; **Nastasia Humphries**, Key Club Lt. Governor Division 29-A from Ledyard High School and **Curtis Grills**, Bob Grills' godson from Virginia Beach, VA.

PAST PROGRAMS



Deborah Steen, Owner of *Single Gourmet*, a dining club in CT and RI, addressed the club on April 7th. The club, which is one of many chapters throughout the United States, is a business designed to offer singles social gathering opportunities at different gourmet restaurants each month. The club is not a dating service. Annual dues are \$150. The

monthly dining experiences are usually attended by 10-15 members and dinner is on average \$68, not including drinks. Ms. Steen has operated this chapter for three and a half years and her duties include restaurant selection, menu planning and negotiating a fixed price for the dinner. Most of the members are in their late 40's to their 70's. Ms. Steen plans three meals per month with one in Rhode Island, one in the greater Hartford area and one along the southeastern Connecticut shoreline. **Jack Russell** won a raffle with a one-year membership as his prize! The photo, submitted by **Rich Cheatham**, features from left to right: **John Russell**, **Andrea Kaiser** and **Deborah Steen**.



Andrew Pessin, Ph.D., Chair of the Philosophy Department at Connecticut College and author of *The God Question* and *The 60-Second Philosopher*, gave an engaging talk to the club on April 14th. Professor Pessin's books are written for the lay person. He opened his presentation with a quip about being on the *Letterman Show* as part of a three-man skit about the strong man, the fat guy and the genius with he playing the third part. He said all his

students seem to find time to find that clip. He thinks we all are philosophical, especially children, as children ask questions in an effort to give meaning to what is around them and their experiences. As a teacher, Pessin strives to bring out the "inner philosopher" in all of us. Philosophy teaches us to think and how to write, which are skills that will serve us well throughout life. Photo from left to right: **Rich Cheatham**, **Andrea Kaiser** and **Andrew Pessin** and submitted by **Rich Cheatham**.

2010 YALE-HARVARD REGATTA LUNCHEON

Joint Service Club Program: Kiwanis, Rotary & Lions

May 27th, Noon, Radisson Hotel

Meet the Coaches: Harry Parker- Harvard and John Pescatore- Yale

Keynote Speaker: Steve Brooks, Harvard '70, Stroked US 8 Oar Crew at 1968 Mexico City Olympics and is a member of the Regatta Committee

Hosted by New London Rotary

\$15 per person, including buffet lunch

CONNECTICUT SUN 2010

Club members are asked to buy or sell a Connecticut Sun game for 2010. Each game consists of ten tickets each for \$80 per game. They are great for family, business or to donate to a local youth group or charity. The All-Star game is \$110 for ten tickets.

Date	Day	Opponent	Time	Last Name	First Name
05/15/10	Saturday	Chicago Sky	3:30 PM	Jackson	Gordon
05/23/10	Sunday	Washington Mystics	3:00 PM	Russell	Jack
05/27/10	Thursday	Minnesota Lynx	7:30 PM		
06/04/10	Friday	New York Liberty	7:30 PM		
06/06/10	Sunday	San Antonio Silver Stars	3:00 PM		
06/11/10	Friday	Indiana Fever	7:30 PM		
06/22/10	Tuesday	Chicago Sky	7:30 PM	Grills	Bob
06/25/10	Friday	Phoenix Mercury	7:30 PM	Olsen	Marty
07/10/10	Saturday	WNBA All Star Game	3:30 PM		
07/17/10	Saturday	Atlanta Dream	7:00 PM		
07/20/10	Tuesday	New York Liberty	8:00 PM	Nelson	Ted
07/24/10	Saturday	Los Angeles Sparks	7:00 PM		
07/27/10	Tuesday	Washington Mystics	7:30 PM		
07/30/10	Friday	Atlanta Dream	7:30 PM		
08/08/10	Sunday	Washington Mystics	5:00 PM	Cheatham	Rich
08/13/10	Friday	Seattle Storm	7:30 PM	Grills	Bob
08/15/10	Sunday	Indiana Fever	5:00 PM	Russell	John
08/17/10	Tuesday	Tulsa Shock	7:30 PM		

KEY CLUB DISTRICT CONVENTION

Twelve members from the **Fitch HS Key Club** along with four members from the **Montville HS Key Club**, including Division 29-A Lt. Governor **Kathleen Cicchese**, joined over one thousand students from all points throughout New England for the New England Key Club District Convention in Springfield, MA the weekend of April 9-11. **Fitch** was recognized for their participation in the UNICEF campaign and won second place in the Silver Division for the Secretary's Award. Lt. Governor **Kathleen Cicchese** was honored by Governor **Emily George** as one of five Outstanding Lt. Governors. **Nastasia Humphries** from the Ledyard HS Key Club was installed as Lt. Governor for Division 29-A for 2010-2011. Twenty-six thousand six hundred eighty three dollars (\$26,683) was raised to support the three New England Key Club District Projects: Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute, Children of Peace and Camp Sunshine. **Rich Cheatham, Bob Grills, Marty Olsen**, Montville HS Faculty Advisor **Kim Glover** and **Kim Yost** provided transportation and chaperoning services for the weekend.

ODDS & ENDS

Golf Committee Meetings: April 23rd, May 7th, and May 14th at 3:30 PM at Ted Nelson's office at 36 Meridian St., New London

Bob Seiler of the Kiwanis Club of Newington was elected Lt. Governor for 2010-2011 at the Division 23 Caucus on Tuesday, April 13th at Dev's on Bank Street.

FUTURE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Las Vegas, NV: June 24-27, 2010 **New Orleans, LA:** June 27-July 1, 2012
Geneva, Switzerland: July 7-10, 2011 **Vancouver, BC:** June 26-30, 2013

DRAWINGS

April 7: **Gordon Jackson** donated \$8 to the *Chris Vallas Emergency Relief Fund*
 April 14: **Marty Olsen** donated \$2 to the *Kiwanis Club of New London*
NB King Scholarship Endowment

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF NEW LONDON PROUDLY SPONSORS

Mitchell College Circle K

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

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William C. Everett