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THE CLUB CRIER

KIWANIS CLUB OF THE CHATHAMS

Tuesdays, April 7,14, Lunch at Brooklake CC, Brooklake Rd, Florham Park.
Tuesday, April 21,28, Breakfasts at Charlie Brown's, So. Blvd, Chatham Twp.

APRIL, 2009

“FISH’N’CHIPS DINNER A BIG SUCCESS!” President Doug Bryant

Doug went on to say that our net income increased more than 20% over last year's fundraiser. Chairman Dave Pike's response to that good news was to compliment our Kiwanis Team for its hard work and creativity, and then to say, "The kids were great!"



Cory Fuller & students

There were 15 students from the CMS Builder's Club, plus their faculty advisor (and Kiwanis club member), Stephanie Cooperman, and 12 volunteers from the CHS Key Club. They worked in the kitchen, carried bagged meals to the 'takeout' area, and waited on those in the dining area. Our Kiwanis members supervised and supported the young volunteers, and filled in where needed.

Photos show Cory Fuller and Valerie Olpp in the kitchen, distributing boxed take-outs to the students, who eagerly rushed them to waiting customers. Also shown, in the front hall, are Doug Bryant, Nancy Boucher, Marty Secheyay, and Rich Behling, supervising, taking orders and sell-



Doug, Nancy, Marty, Rich, supervising, taking and forwarding orders, and selling tickets.

ing tickets. A student volunteer is also seen in the dining area, providing great service to our hungry customers.

Among those not shown are Betty Anne Keat, our Kiwanis advisor to the Key and Builders Clubs, who worked with

Stephanie to help and supervise the Builders Club volunteers. Weeks before the Dinner, Betty Anne directed distribution of our Fish'n'Chips posters, which had been beautifully designed and prepared by Stephanie, and printed by the SKIL lab at the ECLC school, under the direction of Ann

Cooper. Also not shown were Co-Chair John Eyre, who took over when Dave was away, and Resource Chair, Dick Ligterwood, who worked with Dave to purchase and transport the many items not supplied by Argyles.

Ron Whalin is Publicity Chair for our Club, and his skill in working with our local and regional print and online media resulted in good and timely notices, and the addition of customers from outside our local area.

Thanks to all who helped, and congratulations to Dave Pike for his skilled leadership as Chairman.

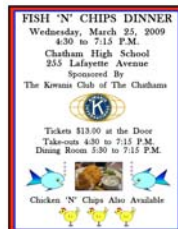
Photos by Ron Whalin.



Valerie Olpp, & eager hands



Our sponsored youth were great volunteers!



Poster Design



Hot food for customers

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CLUB CALENDER FOR APRIL 09– MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Board Meeting, Tue. April 21, 9:AM, after breakfast, Charlie Brown's..

Sponsored Youth: Apr. 17-19, NJ District Key Club Convention, Valley Forge Convention Center.

Circle K Club: TBA

Special Events: April 26: Spiritual Aims Sunday. Meet at St. Patrick's for 10:30 Mass. Brunch at Winberie's in Summit.

April 28: Nominations announced for next year's VP and for 3 new Directors.

Birthdays this month: Apr.1, Jill Gregg; Apr.23, Dud Healy; Apr.25, Geo.Redgate, April 28, D Bryant

Invocations TBA.

Newspaper Recycling: Mondays, 7:00 AM– Volunteers meet at collection area near Chatham P.O.

Reminder for friends and neighbors: Leave newspapers on the collection platform near the large trailer with the Kiwanis logo.

APRIL MEETINGS, Jerry Cunningham, Chair

Apr.7, Tues. Lunch, Kristin Biase, Superintendent of Recreation, M. C. Park Commission

Apr.14, Tues. Lunch, Dr. Jill Cermele, Drew Univ. Psychology Professpr and instructor in a special course for women: *"How to handle situations where an assault is possible."*

Apr.21, Tues. Breakfast, Baily Brower, Chatham Township Committeeman

Apr.28, Tues. Breakfast, Election nominations (see Spec. Events, above) . Speaker is Jim Kowalak of the area Boy Scouts

MAY MEETINGS, Ron Whalin, Chair

May 5, Tues. Lunch, Penni Nafus, of the New Jersey Association of Woman Business Owners

May 12, Tues. Lunch, **Annual Meeting of our Club**: Elections for new VP and Directors. Also, Alan Robertson will give an illustrated talk on his recent trip to Australia.

May 19, Tues. Lunch: Picnic lunch at Stanley Paark

May 26, Tues. Breakfast, Linda Durney: A talk on the Social Services of Chatham and Madison.

Coming Events:

May 21, Place flags at Fairmount Cemetery in preparation for Memorial Day.

June 5, CHS Music Awards; **June 16**, Kiwanis-Rotary Cook-out. **June 18** ECLC Graduation. **June 23**, CHS Graduation. **June 25-28**, Kiwanis International Convention in Nashville.

July 1-4, Key Club Int. Convention. Dallas, TX. **July 4**, Parade, **July 19-25** Youth Ldr Inst-Col. of NJ

Aug.13, Library Cook-out for young readers. **Aug.21**, NJ District Kiwanis Convention, Princeton.

Sep.9, Installation Dinner

Chatham Kiwanis– Officers, Directors for 2008-2009

Doug Bryant, President	Betty Anne Keat, Director	2009
Rich Behling, President-Elect	Dave Pike, Director	2009
Cory Fuller, Past President	Nancy Boucher, Director	2010
Dick Plambeck, Vice President	Nancy Holt, Director	2010
Tom Mullin, Secretary	Herb Ramo, Director	2010
Ron Whalin, Treasurer	Jerry Cunningham, Dir.	2011
Valerie Olpp, Asst. Treasurer	Jill Gregg, Director	2011
Marge Ahrens, Director	Mary Anne Maloney, Dir.	2011

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"We need to grow; we need more eyes to see, ears to hear, and hands to do",

Governor Dean Konner, speaking to representatives of our club and others, about his theme, *Kiwanis Needs Your Help*, at the Skylands of Randolph, At his first official meeting with the clubs of Division 10, he reported that the



Rich Behling presents our check to Governor Dean Konner

NJ District was one of only two Districts in the country to have a net gain of members last year.

He then turned to his emphasis on sponsored youth. There are new K-Kids and Builders Clubs. New Jersey Key

Clubs have 12,000 members, and Circle K Clubs are growing. In the NJ District, there are now 99 Kiwanis Clubs, and another is being planned for Flemington.

The Kiwanis-family of clubs in NJ have made a commitment to contribute \$500,000. to the Childrens Specialized Hospital. Our President-elect, Rich Behling, presented to Governor Konner a \$250. check for the Kiwanis Foundation.

Former Lt. Gov. Nancy Boucher reported that the Morris County Aktion Club, located in Den-

ville, was a co-sponsor of the evening's dinner meeting. They provided the balloon centerpieces, and the Club received the proceeds of the 50/50. Morristown club member, Steve McKinley, won the drawing, and gave his share to the Aktion Club, which we sponsor. This organization, for adults living with disabilities, has long struggled with its members' needs for transportation. Nancy suggested to Steve that perhaps his limousine company could help with their need for rides to attend meetings and other club activities. When he gave a positive response,



Marc Litwack, Nancy Boucher, Rich Behling, and Herb Ramo. In back, Past Governor Michael Mulhaul

she suggested that *our club, and others*, who haven't in the past been able to help with Aktion Club transportation, might be able to contribute funds for this worthy project. **Photos, Rich Behling**

March 27, New Jersey Clean Communities Program, Part 2

"We were surprised at the amount of litter we picked up, considering the thorough job we did the first time," Chairman Gary Arnesen, reporting on the 14 large *highway bags* collected, plus engine parts and other junk. He was very impressed with the great spirit and enthusiasm of the 10 volunteers. He also mentioned the plans that have been made to bring equipment the next



The nine o'clock crew included John Eyre, Mal Kitson, Dave Mutchler, Sharon Johnson, Gary Arnesen, Dick Ligterwood, Dud Healy, and Marty Secheyay, Nancy Boucher & Ron Whalin. Photos, Ron Whalin

time to clear shrubs with thorns that interfered with the collection of trash. This program is funded by taxes on the sale of *litter generating products*, and its purpose is to encourage more clean communities. The clean-up area is bounded by Ogden St, the Recycle Center and the railroad tracks. See October '08 Crier, P.3, for more information..



Ron Whalin, photographed

March 10, School District of the Chathams

“Our school district is one of the finest”, Jim O’Niel, Superintendent of Schools

Jim passed out a flier on finances and the school budget. It lists the costs per pupil for the last full year, and it compares the Chatham cost of #11,807. with Madison’s at \$13,122., Summit at \$13,097. Berkley Hts. At \$12.389. and Princeton at\$16,834. Expressing pride in the district and its high school, Jim said that 80 to 85% of graduates go to the top three categories of colleges. One reason for this success is that “our residents value education”. He also said that the school consolidation of a few years ago has paid dividends- we have saved \$850, 000. in salaries- and the budget increase this year is the smallest since consolidation.



Superintendent O’Niel and President Bryant.

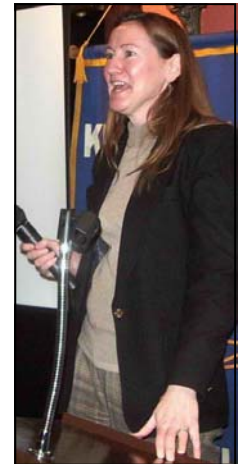
Jim, who is also a member of our club, started with a funny story for St. Patrick’s day, about an Irishman. After his talk, he left us smiling with the satisfaction that our school district is in good hands.

ECLC: First Year for PRIDE

“The new program that started in September is working extremely well”, Heather Alonge, Kiwanis member and Director of Development for ECLC schools.

ECLC, an organization for the developmentally disabled, has long recognized that its goals for students – *to have friends, to be involved in meaningful and positive activities, and to experience success in their efforts* – do not end with graduation. As a result, a new day program has been developed, called PRIDE. It is designed for those graduates who are not ready for competitive support employment. There are now 19 adults attending classes in the new center on Passaic Avenue. They learn real life skills by taking part in activities that promote eventual integration into mainstream society. They practice daily living skills, explore career and volunteer options, and engage in community-based activities that emphasize personal fitness and health.

According to Heather, the ECLC Foundation welcomes contributions of funds and/or equipment for the new facility. They plan to increase the number of clients to 25 by July. The PRIDE program will operate year around. Visitors and volunteers are welcome. ECLC’s website is www.eclcofnj.org .



Heather Alonge

Legion of Honor – three awards this month

Doug Bryant Has Busy Month With Service Awards.

Certificates and pins for 25 years of service to Kiwanis were awarded on March 3 to your editor, and on March 10 to Sam Averett. The Legion Of Honor award for 30 years of service was presented to former President Clyde Zukswert on March 17.

My recollections of the early years begin with Clyde, for he invited me to visit the club, and became my sponsor. All three of us share early memories, including the odyssey of wandering from place to place: -from the William Pitt to the Broadway Diner, the Bottle Hill , the Myersville Inn , the Afton, and finally the current dual locations of Brooklake CC and Charlie Brown’s. Clyde also



Editor’s red tie event



Doug, Sam: happy occasion

remembers when our club sponsored periodic blood tests and “Career Day” at the high school. Sam remembers his sponsor, past president Chuck Charles, and Bill Bradley’s practical jokes.



Bob Stannard, Ed. Clyde’s well deserved award