



THE CLUB CRIER

KIWANIS CLUB OF THE CHATHAMS

Tuesdays– Dec.4,11, Lunch at Brooklake CC, Brooklake Rd, Florham Park
Tuesday– Dec.18, Breakfast at Charlie Brown’s, So. Blvd. Chatham Twp.

DECEMBER, 2007

“OUR HOLIDAY NUT SALES ARE GOING WELL”, John Eyre, event chairman

“As of now,” he said, “we have grossed more than \$5000, and there is \$1800 of sales in the pipeline. As a result, I’ve just ordered more nuts. If we keep up the good work, with everyone selling the regular and chocolate covered varieties, we’ll have a very successful season.” John recalled that both days of our Super Sale Weekend (Nov. 17, 18) were cold, “but we kept busy”. A final report, on gross sales and net income, will be available at the completion of the sale. “We had four shifts on Saturday at the Shop Rite, where the parking lot was full. For Sunday’s sale at Kings we also had four shifts, two of which included Circle K volunteers.” The first afternoon shift, headed by Dick Mann, included Aki Kuni and Lindsay Waskow . Dick was impressed by their great spirit. The second shift, with Dave Pike, had Ashley Intron and Laura Zolnoski, president of Circle K , as volunteers. Dave said they enjoyed playing a psychological game of predicting which shoppers would stop by the Kiwanis Nut Table. And, said Dave, “We’re pretty good at it!”



First shift team of Aki Kuni and Lindsay Waskow, lead by Dick Mann, worked out an attractive display of nut varieties.



The 3 to 5 team including Laura Zolnoski and Ashley Intron, with leader Dave Pike, learned to separate the buyers from the walkers.



Rich Bradley

Rich Bradley: “I bring greetings from my Dad.”

Bill Bradley’s 100th birthday was celebrated November 27th during our Tuesday breakfast meeting. Rich narrated a power point video on his dad’s life, and invited stories and comments by those who had known our 65-year member and past President (1949). Among those sharing their memories of Bill were past Presidents Bob Huntington (1971-2) and Dud Healy (1986-7). In conclusion, we sang a hearty “Happy Birthday” to Bill. See p.3..

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CLUB CALENDER FOR DECEMBER– MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Board Meeting, Tues. Dec. 18 Meeting at 9AM, following breakfast meeting.

Sponsored Youth: Key Club meeting planned for Wed., Dec.12, at 7:30.

Circle K meeting planned for Tuesday, Dec.11, at 9:PM. Location: Haselton Basement Lounge

Birthdays this month : Dec.10, Marc Litwack; Dec.26, George Dembo

Invocations this month: Dec.4, Alan Robertson; Dec.11, Charlie Murray; Dec.18, Valerie Olpp

Special events: Two membership applications were approved by the Board at its Nov. 13 meeting. The new members will be formally inducted during one of our December meetings..

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

Reminder: Leave newspapers on the collection platform near the large trailer with the Kiwanis logo.

Programs: Tom Mullin is program chair for December

Dec. 4, Tues. Lunch. Tom Mullin will present a program called, “Books of the Day”

Dec. 11, Tues. Lunch Our own Dick Plambeck will present an illustrated program entitled, “Property Tax\$ 102—New Jersey Law and New Jersey Realities”. This should be of interest to all members!..

Dec. 18, Tues. Breakfast Christopher Anderson, Ph.D., will tell us the story of an amazing new building on the Drew campus. This Archives Center contains the world’s largest collection of photos, writings, and other materials related to the Methodist Church worldwide. Here the latest technology is used to make the items in this fascinating collection available to users anywhere in the world.

Dec. 25, Tues, Christmas. Merry Christmas!. No Kiwanis meeting..

PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS

Betty Anne Keat is program chair for January.

No Meeting on Jan. 1 Happy New Year!

All Meetings in Jan, are Breakfasts at Charlie Brown’s

All Meetings in Feb. are Breakfasts at CB’s, except for Feb. 12: A Valentine’s Day Lunch at CB’s

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

Chatham Kiwanis- Officers, Directors for '07-'08

Cory Fuller, President	Nancy Boucher, Director 2008
Doug Bryant, President-Elect	Jerry Cunningham, Dir. 2008
David Lloyd, Past President	Marge Ahrens, Director 2009
Rich Behling, Vice President	Betty Anne Keat, Dir. 2009
Tom Mullin, Secretary	Dave Pike, Director 2009
Ron Whalin, Treasurer	Nancy Holt, Director 2010
Valerie Olpp, Asst. Treasurer	Herb Ramo, Director 2010

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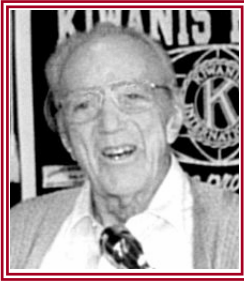
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CHATHAM KIWANIS' "BILL BRADLEY DAY", NOVEMBER 27, 2007

"I wish I had Dad on the phone when you sang *Happy Birthday* to him." Rich Bradley

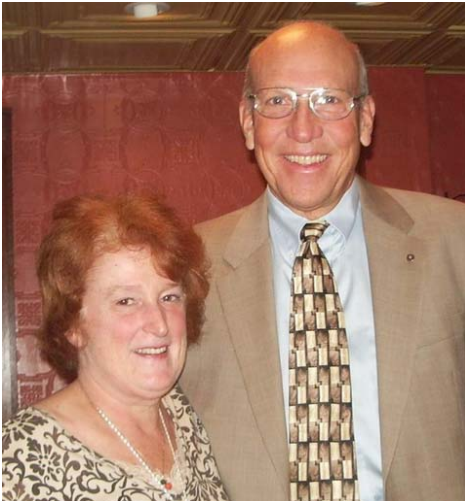


Bill Bradley, now 100.

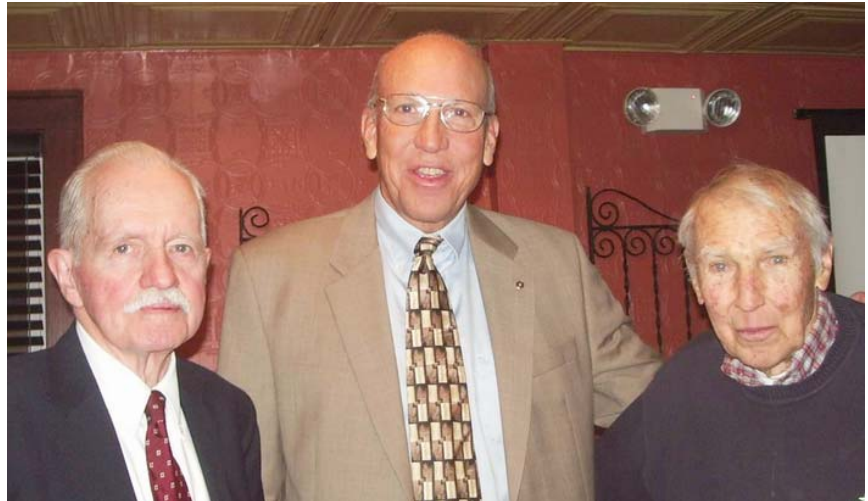
Our *Breakfast at Charlie's* became a time of nostalgia as long-time members shared stories and renewed friendships. Jerry Cunningham introduced Bob Huntington, an old friend and a past President. Bob recalled being on the "Cheer" committee, along with Bill and Bob Simpson. His fondest memories were of the friendships, the fun, and the laughs shared by all.

Rich brought some Kiwanis-related documents for our archives. They included a 1978 photo of Ken Smith pinning a *Perfect Attendance* pin on Bill's lapel. Rich then narrated a short video of past events in his dad's life, including his membership and leadership roles in the *State Funeral Directors*, the *Madison Masonic Lodge*, and the *Chatham Fire Department*. We saw photos of an old hearse-carriage with horses, as well as family homes, weddings, reunions, and other celebrations.

According to Rich, Bill has been celebrating all month, and enjoying it very much. While he now uses a walker and has difficulty hearing, he loves being with people. His big disappointment is not being able to travel far enough to see his grandson. Bill comes from a long-lived family, and he was pleased to reach his goal of 100. Since learning of an older family member, his new goal is 101½.



Rich shares stories with Kiwanian Betty Anne Keat, his CHS classmate.

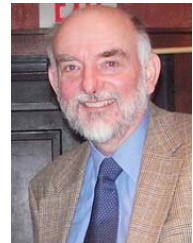


Rich was happy to see his dad's old friends, Bob Huntington and Dud Healy, and to hear stories of our club's past and present..

Visit by new United Methodist pastor.

"Thank you, Chatham, for your warm welcome to this community" Rich Knox

Our club welcomed the Rev. Dr. Richard Knox to our November 20 breakfast meeting. He expressed his appreciation for the friendly reception he and his wife, Nan Hawkins, had experienced following their arrival in July. Our meeting opened with a Thanksgiving hymn, and after breakfast, Rich spoke about the origins of the holiday in America. He recounted the saga of the English Pilgrims seeking freedom to practice their faith, first in Holland, and then sailing to Massachusetts. Apparently they were not prepared for the first winter, for it was a harsh one, and half of them died. However, through prayer and help from friendly Indians, the harvest next summer was bountiful, and they celebrated with a three-day *Thanksgiving Festival*. From time to time, a harvest celebration of Thanksgiving was observed in the other colonies, but it was declared a national celebration for the first time by George Washington following the ratification of our Constitution. Subsequent Administrations continued to honor the concept until, in 1853, in a search for a way to unite the country, President Lincoln declared a national day of Thanksgiving on the last Thursday of November. Finally, in 1941, Congress passed legislation making it a national holiday on the fourth Thursday in November.



Richard Knox

Circle K at Drew

During a 9:PM meeting on Nov. 13, Club members made plans for future events and fundraisers. Members will prepare meals and visit with residents of *Eric Johnson house*, a rest and recovery home for those with HIV and AIDS. They will also raise funds for cancer through the *Alex's Lemonade Stand program*, and will make blankets for seriously ill children through the *Linus Project*. At the conclusion of the meeting, the club gathered for a photograph. Pictured are 4 of the 5 officers: 1. President, Laura Zolnoski; 2. Secretary, Kristin Brown; 3. Treasurer, Kelly Thomas; 4. Editor, Kristin Germinario.



Senior Services Center of the Chathams.

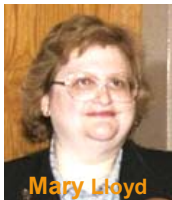
“Thanks to Kiwanis for their support of our programs”,
Gail Davies, Co-President.

Gail and her presentation partner, trustee Ruth Mirrer, brought the transportation story of Senior Services to our November 13 meeting. Ruth, who is Chair of Transportation for the Center, described how requests by seniors for medical transportation has tripled this summer. She and Gail said the move of the Red Cross transportation center in Madison to a location out of the county has caused a shortage of services in our area. However, they were happy to report that by working with the Freeholder Director, Margaret Nordstrom, they have been successful in returning some of the Morris Area Paratransit System (MAPS) services to our area, so that medical transportation is once again available to Summit and the surrounding area. Also, they have arranged with the local school system to utilize some of their busses during their idle hours. For more information on the services available through MAPS, call 888-282-6277; for midday bus service available to residents, call 973-635-8747.



Ruth Mirrer, trustee, and Gail Davies, Co-Pres., of Senior Services. Center

Mary Lloyd's Advice: Capitol Gains Rates Will Never Be Lower



During our November 6 meeting, we had a review of items to consider for the tax planning season. Among the points made during Mary's presentation were these:

1. Look carefully at your tax returns before they are reviewed by the government.
2. These tax breaks will be expiring this year:
 - State and local tax deductions
 - Teacher supplies
 - Residential energy improvement costs
 - Unearned income for minors (18 or 19)
 - Qualified charitable donations from IRA's for people over 70-1/2
3. Points to remember:
 - Documentation needed for charitable cash donations and also for casualty losses.
 - Look at your portfolio; capitol gains rates (5 to 15%) will never be lower.
 - Keep tax returns for 7 years. However, there are no limitations on fraud in N.J. The state has been known to go back to '92 and beyond.
 - NJ has an estate tax.
 - The IRS is now reviewing returns for '04 and '05

Mary's final bit of advice is to keep good records.

Thank you, Mary, for the timely and thoughtful information that you brought to us. We appreciate this advice very much. Bob Stannard