

THE CLUB CRIER

KIWANIS CLUB OF THE CHATHAMS

Tuesdays, Jan.6,13,20,27, Breakfast at Charlie Brown's, So. Blvd., Chat. Twp.

JANUARY, 2009

OUR CLUB WELCOMES NJ DISTRICT GOVERNOR DEAN KONNER Governor Konner's visit came on a special day for Chatham Kiwanis, when we held an induction ceremony for three new members.

We were happy to have Dean join us in our celebration, After President Doug Bryant introduced the inductees. and their membersponsors, he turned the ceremony over to Secretary Tom Mullin. To each new member, Tom gave a Kiwanis lapel pin, a name badge, an orien-

Gov. Dean Konner and Pres. Doug Bryant

tation card with a list of tasks that would introduce him or her to our club activities, its traditions and our fellow members. Doug then invited Governor Dean to join him in congratulating the newly installed members and their sponsors.

Past President Gary Arnesen was the sponsor of Sharon Johnson of Chatham. She Chatham Township from New York, David is employed by The Chatham Club, a sports and fitness center on Southern Blvd in the township. Sharon is also a very successful pet care specialist; who takes care of dogs and cats when their owners are away. She has been active in our club even before today's ceremony, by helping with our club's first refuse pick-up, under the town's Clean Communities program, and also by assisting in our 2nd annual Pasta Dinner fundraiser at the High School.

Our second inductee, Martin Sechehay, was sponsored by Doug Bryant, a long time friend. Marty and his wife, Lois, and their

daughters Megan and Michael, have lived in Chatham for many years. Megan now lives and works in Annapolis, while her sister will graduate this year from St. Joseph's College in Philadelphia. Martin, a graduate of Queens College, with an MBA from Adelphi University, works in nearby Summit, and is with

Credit Suisse, the worldwide asset management organization.

Dave Pike sponsored our third new member. William Williams. Bill and his wife. Marion, have lived in Chatham since 1960, where they raised three children, Martin, David, and Ann. Martin recently moved to lives in Boston, and Ann lives in Toronto. Bill, who received his PHD from Iowa State, did math research at Bell Labs for 25 years. He took early retirement at the breakup of AT&T in '85, and has been a professor of math and statistics at Hunter College since then.

We congratulate these new members and extend an invitation to join us in fellowship and service. We hope that you will discover the satisfactions we have in improving the lives of the children and youth of our community, as well as those of the world-wide community, that we reach as partners with other clubs, through Kiwanis International.







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Arnesen & Johnson

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Pike & Williams

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CLUB CALENDER FOR JANUARY- MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Board Meeting, Wed.Jan.21, Chatham UM Church, 8PM...

Club Project: Holiday Nut Sales, John Eyre, Chair.

<u>Jan. 26 Interclub with Denville Kiwanis:</u> Club Secretary Steve Bond has invited us, along with members of other Division 10 clubs, to meet with them at 6:30PM at The Exchange Restaurant in Rockaway for a program on the Kiwanis International Foundation. We also plan to discuss successful club projects with members of the Denville Club, and other Division 10 clubs.

<u>Sponsored Youth:</u> Key Club meeting, Wed. Jan.14, at 7:30PM in High School Cafeteria. <u>Circle K Club:</u> Monday, Jan.26, 9:30PM in Hazelton Hall. First meeting for new Club President, Ashley Introne.

<u>Birthdays this month</u>: Jan.1, Jim Baker; Jan.3, Stephanie Cooperman; Jan.15, Gary Arnesen. Jan.16, Jim O'Neill; Jan.20, Monty Montague; Jan.27, Charlie Foster; Jan.31, Nancy Boucher.. <u>Invocations:</u> Jan.6, Heather Alonge; Jan.13, Dick Ligertwood, Jan.20, John Hadamuscin, Jan.27, Nancy Holt.

Newspaper Recycling: Mondays, 7:00 AM— Volunteers welcome 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.

WEEKLY MEETINGS:

Cory Fuller & Diane O'Brien are Co-Chairs for January Club Meeting Programs

Jan.6, Tues. breakfast
Sergeant Moire Reilly, from the office of Sheriff Rochford, will explain the functions of the Sheriff's Department, and advise us about functions benefiting various groups. We'll learn about the senior ID program, the lifesaver bracelet program, and others.

Jan.13, Tues. breakfast
John Gardner returns! This energy expert, specializing in oil, will answer our questions about predictions he made during his March 11 meeting with us.

Jan.20, Tues. breakfast
Robert Pierson, Deputy Mayor of Mendham Twp, will tell us about his unusual hobby: he collects fire engines. This retired banker, with 47 years of service to the Fire Dept., has stories to tell, and pictures and memorabilia to show.

<u>Jan.27, Tues. breakfast</u> Sue Hoag, who last visited us in March of '07, is involved with Overlook's *Gift of Life Program*,. She will introduce a representative who will describe the program and answer our questions about this vital *organ donor* effort.

COMING KIWANIS-RELATED EVENTS

Valerie Olpp is program chair for February

<u>Feb. 3, Tuesday Breakfast:</u> Valerie will introduce a representative from AAA of New Jersey <u>Feb.10, Tuesday Lunch.</u> We will have our annual celebration of Valentine's Day

<u>Feb. 28, NJ District Mid-Winter Conference</u> in Somerset, NJ. Themes: Successful Practices, Membership Growth, New Club Growth. Leaders: Governor Dean (NJ District), President-elect of Kiwanis International, Paul Palazzolo. Watch for registration information for this event.

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Last Meeting of 2008

See the full story of our Dec. 23 meeting in the Feb. Crier, including personal testimony. Christmas songs, readings, and President Doug in a white fur cap.



NJ District Fundraising

"The mission of the NJ Kiwanis Foundation is to provide financial support for Kiwanis youth programs and other special projects" past Lt. Governor Nancy Boucher...



In her December 16 talk to our club, she explained the wide scope of the Foundation support: the NJ based Youth Leadership Institute, which we also support (see.p.3 of the November Crier) the Children's Specialized Hospital, Key and Circle K Club scholarships and officer training, and many others. The Foundation is, in turn, supported by an annual gift campaign from District clubs, fundraisers at District events, and special programs such as the Covington-Swain Fellowship Award.

Photo shows Nancy wearing a medallion indicating her support of, and membership in, the Covington-Swain Fellowship.

Fundraiser—Holiday Nut Sale

When our volunteers sold nuts at Shop-Rite and Kings, and also at Peapack-Gladstone and Investor's Savings banks, we did well, but our volume of sales to friends and neighbors was lower than in past years. As of the end of December, our profit was approximately. \$1,000, down from the \$2,000. level of previous years. The remaining nuts will be sold at meetings, or may be ordered from chairman John Eyre at 973-635-6044. Those who volunteered at the supermarkets were reported in last month's Crier. Those who sold at the banks included Monty Montegue, Mary Anne Maloney, Alan Robertson, Betty Anne Keat, Dave Pike, Dave Mutchler, Nancy Holt and Mage Ahrens. Their efforts are very much appreciated. Photo—Betty Anne Keat at Peapack-Gladstone Bank. Her inside sales job felt tropical compared to her outdoor experience a week earlier at Shop-Rite (see insert).



Fundraising – Newspaper Recycling

Recycling committee announces leadership change. Joe Marcel has advised us that he wishes to relinquish his post as chairman. Longtime member, Dick Ligertwood, has agreed to be chairman. We are grateful to Joe for his years of dedicated leadership.

Dick reported at our December Directors meeting that the worldwide market for recycled newspaper is very soft. As a result, the Great Northern Company, has reduced its payments to us from \$60. to \$10. per ton of paper. Dick also noted that we should consider ourselves lucky, for many recycling companies are no longer paying for collected newspapers, and some are charging to



The Crew is shown meeting in their coffee shop on a cold Monday morning, Chairman Ligertwood is on the left, followed by John Eyre, Irv Martin, Jerry Cunningham, retiring chairman Joe Marcel and Dud Healy.. New recycling volunteers are welcome any Monday at 7:AM in the P.O. Plaza.

haul it away.

We Remember Bill Bradley, 65 Yr. Member: Nov.28,1907- Dec.25, 2008

"I am honored, but in awe, as I preside at his service, It's as if I were trying to advise Noah about flood waters", Rev. Dr. Ed Halldorson, of the Township Presbyterian Church, presiding at the service celebrating Bill's life at the Ogden Memorial Church on Jan. 3, 2009.

Bill's daughter, Kathryn Brewbaker, was the first family member to address the congregation, which included a large family contingent, a dozen or

more firemen, all in dress uniform, a bagpiper, and over a dozen members of Bill's beloved Kiwanis Club of the Chathams. She commented on her dad's dedication and concern, saying that, "If something needed to be done, he did it".

Her brother, Richard, spoke with passion about his dad, and the proud family that came to Guilford, Conn, in the early 1600's. Bill was born at the family homestead in Pavilion, NY, the first of 4 boys, and the last survivor. Rich spoke of his energy and drive, about his travel to and on China's Great Wall at the age of eighty, He also enjoyed bowling and golf until the age of 95.

Bill trained as a funeral director at a school in New York, after which he apprenticed under Robert Mason, his mother's cousin, in South



Ann R. Bradley and William A. Bradley time, the club took on a major

Amboy, NJ. In 1935 he received his Funeral Director's license, and moved to Chatham. Eight years later he opened his own firm on Main Street, and that same year joined the Chatham Kiwanis Club. Within six years he was elected President.

During this time many of the Club traditions were initiated, such as the student scholarships, an annual Career Day at the High School, and the holiday fundraiser that sold Klaxon Fruit Cake. Also at this

responsibility in finding hosts for 15 to 25 children from NY Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund. When the visiting children arrived from NY City, the club members were waiting at the train station to help connect the visitors with their host families. Long time Club member, Amos Chalif, remembers hosting Tad, a boy from Queens, who enjoyed it so much that he return a number of times in subsequent years.

In his summary remarks, Rev. Haldorson cited Bill's practice of volunteerism as a great example for us today. He expressed his appreciation for a life filled with service and with love. "We say goodbye, but we don't. We give thanks that he graced our lives. Someone should step up to take his place; we'll always need a Bill Bradley." Photo courtesy of Rich Bradley



Margaret & Amos Chalif

Amos Chalif Honored, Again!

Last August 12, our club serenaded long time member Amos Chalif, and his wife Margaret, on the occasion of his ninetieth birth-day. They may be seen receiving our applause on P.4 of last September's Crier.

We applauded again during our December 2 meeting as President Bryant awarded him the Kiwanis Legion of Honor certificate for his completion of 50 years of service to our Kiwanis community. He and Margaret are shown, along with the LOH certificate, as signed by Doug Bryant and Secretary, Tom Mullin, along with the President and Secretary of Kiwanis International.

Photo by Ron Whalin