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## KIWANIS CLUB OF THE CHATHAMS

Tuesdays– July 3, 10, Lunch (12:10) at Brooklake Country Club, Florham Pk.  
Tuesdays– July 17, 24, 31 Breakfast (8:00) at Charlie Brown’s, Chatham Twp.

### JULY, 2007

**SUPPORTING YOUTH, OUR CLUB TRADITION** Stories, photos by Ron Whalin



President Arnesen

**Arnesen Congratulates ECLC Graduates**  
President Gary Arnesen addresses students, L, and presents Kiwanis awards to the eighteen graduates in a June 14 ceremony. R, he hands an envelope to Heather Hockenjos, in recognition of the successful completion of her schooling. These hundred dollar awards to graduates of the ECLC school have been a Chatham Kiwanis tradition for many years.

See additional info in President’s Corner, P.4.



Gary Presenting Award to Heather

### Panosian and Villars Awarded Chatham Kiwanis Scholarships

At the June 19, 2007 Chatham High School graduation ceremony, Alison Panosian and Melissa Villars were honored for receiving this year's two \$8,000 Chatham Kiwanis Scholarships. The recipients will receive \$2,000 per year for four years while earning their bachelor's degrees. Panosian will continue her education at Bryn Mawr College and Villars will attend Carleton College, a small liberal arts school in Minnesota. Panosian has been active in her church and Villars was a member of the excellent CHS volleyball team.

The scholarships are made available every year by the Kiwanis Club of the Chathams for two members of the Chatham High School graduating class who plan to continue their education. Scholarships are awarded for high academic standing, leadership, good citizenship, and participation in school and community activities.

Dick Haenschen, chairman of the Kiwanis Scholarship selection committee indicated that all of the many applicants were highly qualified, making the selection process very difficult. Other committee members included Marjorie Ahrens, Mary Lloyd, and Diane O'Brien.

Since 1978 The Kiwanis Club of the Chathams has awarded two scholarships a year valued at \$6000 each. Three years ago, the club increased the amount to \$8000 for each new scholarship winner. The club disburses one fourth of the total scholarship amount every year to each recipient and their college while they are enrolled in a degree program. The club will distribute a total of \$16000 this year to eight scholarship recipients. Current recipients, in addition to Freshmen Panosian and Villars are: Sophomores Lauren Gallart (Stevens Institute of Technology) and Derin Solu (University of Virginia); Juniors Merideth Braun (Boston College) and Christopher Chodaczek (Georgetown University); and Seniors Katherine Cronin (Columbia University) and Eileen Gibbons (Penn State University). Year 2003 Scholarship winners Elizabeth Poggi (Georgetown University) and Alex Yu (Northwestern University) graduated this year.



Kiwanis- Rotary cookout. See page 4 for another tradition maintained. This year the steak n fixin's were provided by the Rotary Club of Chatham, Millburn and Short Hills



For the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, meet at 10AM on Hillside Av. See more directions by Mal Kitson on P 3. . Left, past president David Lloyd honors the flag during our parade last September . .

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## **CLUB CALENDER FOR JULY – MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

### **Bob Stannard is program chair for July**

**Birthdays this month:** July 10– Pat Arnesen; July 10– Amos Chalif; July 26– Clyde Zukswert; July 27– George Baker; July 30– Joe Murphy.

**Newspaper Recycling:** Mondays, 7:AM– Volunteers welcome at collection area near Chatham P.O. Remind your friends to leave their newspapers on the collection platform near container with the Kiwanis logo.

**July 3, Tues. Lunch.** The “Kite of Compassion” from the Korean Caucus at Drew to the students at Virginia Tech. Described by its creator, Bon-Jeong Koo, See P 3 - “Program Details”

**July 3-7 Tues.-Sat.** Kiwanis International Convention, San Antonio, Texas

**July 4, Wednesday-10AM.** Members of the Kiwanis Family are invited to meet at 10AM on Hillside Avenue to join the parade. Start time, 10:30. For more details see P. 3, “July 4th Parade”.

**July 10, Tues. Lunch** Dan Fenelon speaks and shows Art for Youth. See P 3 -“Program Details”.

**July 11-15 Wed.-Sun.** Key Club International Convention, Orlando Florida..

**July 17, Tues. Breakfast** Mary Lloyd discusses important issues. See P 3, “Program Details”

**July 18, Wed. Board Mtg:** Meet at 8:PM at the United Methodist Church

**July 24, Tues. Breakfast** Marc Litwack tells of his plans to improve sponsored youth. See P. 3.

**July 31, Tues. Breakfast** Diane O’Brien tells of the Library’s 100th Birthday Celebration, and of the surprising creativity of the children involved. See P. 3

## **PREVIEW OF COMING EVENTS**

### **Marge Ahrens is program chair for August**

**August 2, Thurs.** Sparta Kiwanis annual Steak Bust at 6:PM. Station Park Rd. Cost \$20.00.

**August 24-26, Fri.-Sun.** NJ Dist. Convention, Wildwood

**Sept 15, Saturday.** Classic Car Show.

**Sept 27, Thursday** Installation Dinner at Fairmont CC.

**October 25, Thursday** Pasta Dinner at CHS (tentative date).

<p><b><u>Kiwanis Club of the Chathams –Officers for '06-'07</u></b></p> <p>Gary Arnesen, President      Douglas Bryant, Vice President  Cory Fuller, President-Elect      Tom Mullin, Secretary  David Lloyd, Past President      Ron Whalin, Treasurer  Richard Behling, Asst. Treasurer</p>	<p><b><u>The CRIER Newsletter</u></b></p> <p>Bob Stannard, Editor  Send items for “The Club Crier”  To: <a href="mailto:bobstannard@optonline.net">bobstannard@optonline.net</a>  Or: Box 422, Chatham NJ 07928</p>
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## **KIWANIS EVENTS IN JULY**

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade** “All Kiwanis Family members are invited to meet at 10:AM on Hillside Ave. and join the parade when it starts at 10:30”. Chairman Mal Kitson.



“We offer many opportunities to help prepare for the parade. Come at 4:PM on Tues.the 3<sup>rd</sup> to Chatham Main Contractors (143 Main St, just past Hillside Avenue) and help decorate the Kiwanis float. This float, with its Statue of Liberty, has become an important tradition in our club. On the morning of the 4<sup>th</sup>, come at 8:AM to Coviello’s (245 Main Street, Madison) to help decorate a float for the Chatham Community Band, an organization we help to support. Then, join all our Kiwanis Family marchers on Hillside Avenue in Chatham at 10:AM. The parade will start at 10:30.” Photo at left shows the Kiwanis float, with the Statue of Liberty figure, in September’s Township parade. Questions? Call Mal at 973-377-2844. Photo, Ron.Whalin

### **July Meetings- Program Details**

**July 3, Tues. Lunch. Kite of Compassion**



Bon-Jeong Koo of the Korean caucus will discuss the kite that he created to express sympathy and a wish for peace from the community at Drew to the students at Virginia Tech. He will describe other Korean customs.. (Photo, Korean caucus)

**July 10, Tues. Lunch. Dan Fenelon-Art for Youth**



Madison artist Dan Fenelon will describe his work with teens at the Morris County Youth Shelter, and with Creative Heartwork, NJ’s first healing arts organization for children with illness, poverty, abuse or neglect. The painted vinyl “Munny Doll” shown is one of many forms created to help troubled youth. (Photo-Fenelon)

**July 17, 8:AM. Mary Lloyd**



Mary will discuss issues important to all that often don’t get the attention they deserve. Her comments are thoughtful and will stimulate our discussion.

**July 24, 8AM. Marc Litwack**

Marc has unique qualifications for his goal of improving the sponsored youth clubs in Division.10, He will outline his plans for building clubs and encouraging strong leadership among the members..



**July 31, 8AM. Diane O’Brien**

Diane will bring us the story of the library’s Centennial Celebration, with special interest in the children’s reaction to her challenge for them to describe our life 100 years from now. .



### **Sponsored Youth – CHS Key Club News**

Kevin Tobia, past club treasurer and past NJ District Lt. Governor, is currently Treasurer for the NJ District. He will be attending the Key Club International convention in Orlando Florida from Jul 11 to 15. Kevin has been invited to share his thoughts about the convention with our club, in person and through The Crier.

### **Chatham Kiwanis Board of Directors meeting – June 20**

The annual Kiwanis International Convention will run from July 3 to 7 (Tuesday-Saturday). Representing our club will be Gary and Patty Arnesen and Marc Litwack. One of the topics to be addressed at the Convention will be a proposal by the Randolph club to link the NJ District annual dues to the US Government Consumer Price Index. That proposal was considered and approved by the board, and our voting delegates will support it at the convention.

The Sparta Kiwanis Club notified us of their “Annual Kiwanis Steak Bust”, to be held Thursday August 2 at the Station Road Park, at 6:PM. The cost is \$20.00 for all you can eat of prime steak, sausage, salad and corn and beverage. They request a message from our club advising them of the number who plan to come. The Club Secretary is John Kirkowski, and his number is 973-729-6210.

**KIWANIS EVENTS IN JUNE**

**Cookout With Rotary, a Happy Tradition. "One of the best!" Geoff Wilson**

For many years, the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs of Chatham have met for a spring picnic, with the host duties alternating between the clubs. This year's host, now called the Rotary Club of Chatham, Millburn and Short Hills, provided a sumptu-



Pres. Vitarello Pres. Arnesen

ous meal of tender steak, picnic salads, beverages and a variety of fruits, cakes and pies.

Rotary president Gerald Vitarello compared notes on service clubs with Kiwanis president Gary Arnesen, and then introduced the Rotary officers: Helena Monterio,



Good fellowship shared by members of the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs.

President-Elect; Charles Jijon, Vice President, and Patricia Webster, Secretary-Treasurer. Also representing their club were Rich Bradley, Bill McGuinn and Sunil (Sonny) Kurani. We appreciate the hospitality of our picnic partners, and look forward to being host of next year's cookout.



Steak, salads, and fruit pies, prepared by our Rotarian hosts. Photos, Ron Whalin

**The President's Corner for July "Ceremonies at CHS and ECLC" Gary Arnesen**

June was a month for recognition of local students and scouts for their achievements. Our club participated in the Awards Ceremony at Chatham High School and the Graduation at ECLC. At the High School, we presented awards to four students for their achievements in music. The Boy Scouts also had three scouts elevated to the level of Eagle Scout, another award in which we helped participate.

Eighteen students graduated from ECLC this year. Each year we give each graduating student a card with a \$100 gift. I was fortunate to attend the graduation ceremony to present the cards. The graduation ceremony was quite touching. Each graduating student had an opportunity to speak to the audience. This was a rather large audience, roughly a couple of hundred people. The graduating students spoke about what they had learned, what they had enjoyed and their plans for the future. Given the severity of the disabilities of these students, it was impressive to hear what they've already done, as well as what they expect of themselves. It says a lot about their determination and the great job done by ECLC.

**Library Centennial "The party was one day, but the excitement continues, and the whole town is involved". Diane O'Brien, Librarian.**

A birthday party for the library's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary took place June 9, with an open house and a giant cake. As part of the celebration, our club, along with many Chatham organizations, is collecting items for a time capsule. Our collection will contain information and pictures of our many activities, including scholarships and our sponsorship of Builders, Key, and Circle K clubs,

When the community collections are complete, the committee will place them in a sealed container that will be buried on the library property. On the ground above, a stone with bronze plaque will mark the location of the capsule. (See plaque on P.3 under "July 31, Diane O'Brien".) The library will maintain files on this event, with the recommendation to a future generation that it should be opened on June 9, 2107. Photo, Corkie Zeigler.



The Anniversary Cake. From left, Debbie Pocci, co-chair of committee, Kiwanian Diane O'Brien, Fred Pocci, Pres. Board of Trustees, Kevin Tubbs, mayor of Chatham Twp, Fran Fauver, co-chair of committee, and Kiwanian Dick Plambeck, Chatham mayor.

## **KIWANIS EVENTS IN JUNE (Continued)**

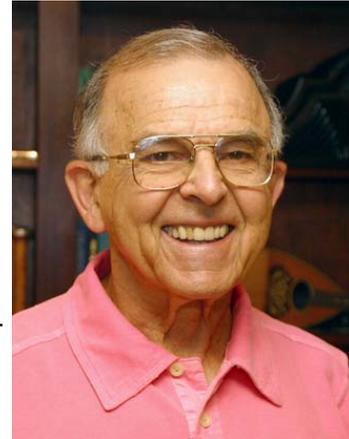
### **Dick Mann Inducted. Dave Pike, Sponsor.**

Membership Chair, Cory Fuller, was glad to introduce Richard (Dick) Mann to club members at our last meeting in June. Following opening ceremonies, Secretary Tom Mullin performed the induction ceremony and presented him with his temporary name badge and the appropriate documents for a new member.



Dick Mann, Secretary Tom Mullin

Dick is a veteran of the Navy, a graduate of Indiana Institute of Technology (Ft. Wayne), and ran his own business, Amherst Scientific, for fifteen years. He has been active in Borough affairs, including the Board of Adjustment, and the



Kiwanian Richard (Dick) Mann

Fish and Game Club. Dick is married, with two sons, a daughter, and a grandson. We welcome him as a new member of our Kiwanis Club. Photos by Ron Whalin

### **Laird Tuohig, a Kiwanian for sixty years.**

**“We will miss his indomitable spirit, boundless optimism, faith in the midst of adversity, and genuine interest in everyone he met”. Daughter Joan Hazen, a Chatham resident for many years, along with siblings Jim, Barry, and Barbara.**



Paul Grabow

A memorial service was held June 23 at the family gravesite of Evergreen Cemetery, Basking Ridge, NJ. Blessed with a beautiful day, the occasion seemed suited to the optimistic outlook on life for which Laird was well known. He was a dedicated member of Kiwanis, starting in East Orange, where he was past president, and later joining our club when he moved to Chatham. There, his musical impact and singing tradition has made our club unique. While he was an insurance agent for over fifty years,



Rebecca G. Dembo

his tenure as a society pianist and band leader lasted even longer. Members of his “Bud Laird” orchestra have played for Kiwanis dances and other events, and for a number of years, provided entertainment at our annual Fish’n’Chips fundraiser. To honor his wishes, music was an important part of the memorial service. His brother, Elton, sang “The Lord’s



Prayer”, and Paul Grabow, a member of his band and friend for forty years, played the soprano sax, to lead us in songs that Laird knew so well. Becky Dembo, wife of Kiwanian George Dembo, officiated in this celebration of the life of our good friend. While I know that Laird was my friend, I also know that I shared that friendship with all those whose lives he touched.. (Photo, left, “Bud Laird Orchestra at Fish n Chips Dinner”, by Judi Whiting.) **Bob Stannard**