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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



"Holding Back The Tide"

Hello Fellow Kiwanians!

The "Thames Barrier" is a line of odd looking steel structures that are set across the River Thames at Woolwich, England. They gleam in the sun and each looks like half of a giant's steel helmet at one end of the structure and an upended large boat at the other end.

The barrier's purpose is to hold back what could be a 10 ft. high tidal surge which could devastate London and surrounding areas.

These odd shapes sit on nine concrete piers and have massive gates that are underwater until raised. Once raised, they can hold back high tidal surges and potentially save millions of dollars in property and thousands of lives.

The Kiwanis Club of Manchester once again acted as the "Thames Barrier" by holding back the force of a bad economic tidal surge.

Our "Quad Squad" and the general membership of the club joined together like the gates of the "Thames Barrier" to hold back negative economic forces to produce a very successful auction.

Our auction brought in \$19,500.00. We held back the tide! Congratulations everyone!

Have a great summer!

Ed Bellemare
President

"We are born to act."
Montaigne

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

The following Club members were born and/or joined Kiwanis during the month of June. Club members wish them a Happy Birthday and/or Happy Anniversary!

BIRTHDAYS

Monika Bryant	3
Rebecca Tetrault	3
Thomas Wiggins	4
Richard Peterson	11
Jennifer Indeglia	13
Barbara Trudeau	14
Bruce Willey	16
Bonnie White	20
Thomas Kallechey	21
Deborah Crane	30

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Cynthia Harrington	2005
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UPCOMING SPEAKERS

July 1 – No Meeting.

July 8 – Meeting at Fisher Cats Stadium, presentation of plaque.

July 15 – B.J. Hickman, Magician who will perform for the club members.

July 22 – Majestic Theatre, will perform for the club members.

July 29 – Heather Proulx, R.N. from Ask a Nurse will speak to the club about their program.

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS:

August 14 to 16 - 91st New England District Convention, Warwick, RI

November 20 to 22 - Fall Training Conference, North Conway, NH

June 23 to 26 - 2010 International Convention, Las Vegas, NV

JUNE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

by Emile Tetu



The Board of Directors held their meeting on June 18, 2009 and approved the minutes from the May board meeting.

The Treasurer reported that the balances in the checking accounts as of May 31, 2009 are: Operating = \$5,200.88, Foundation = \$23,897.94 and Parking = \$13,760.38.

The board approved a \$200 disbursement for West High Key-Clubbers attending the International Key Club convention in Dallas Texas on July 1st.

Glenn announced that Monika Bryant will chair the 10K this year.

Celebrate With A Child will be on Saturday December 5th at the Sweeney Post Hall

The Auction has come and gone. Estimated net for this fund raiser will be over \$19,000.

There will be an interclub to Claremont for a “cook-out” at 5:00 pm on July 9th.

Interested in participating? Contact Glenn at 622-6226 (home telephone). Note that Glenn will be away during the time of the International Convention.

Treasurer Emile and his wife Sue will be attending the Girls Inc. awards night dinner at the MCC on Tuesday evening June 23rd.

Walk With A Child will be held earlier this year, possibly before Thanksgiving. More to come later.

Several donation requests were reviewed. The following amounts were approved: \$1,000 to The American Red Cross for swimming lesson grants to 20 kids; \$1,000 to The Children’s Museum of NH and \$250 to the Manchester Police Athletic League for a “golf hole” sponsorship.

Maria Curran submitted a fund raising concept – she will develop it further and report back to the board at the August meeting.

Breakthrough Manchester (formerly known as “Summerbridge”) at the Derryfield School will have visitor days in July. Members of our Club are encouraged to drop in and see the work that goes on after the regular school year. High school students mentor elementary kids from the inner city during a six (6) week period each summer. You may visit on Thursday July 23rd between the hours of 8:00 and 9:30 am OR on Tuesday July 28th between the hours of 11:30 am and 1:00 pm. If you would like more information, contact our Club Secretary.

Our board approved funding a subsidy for Monika Bryant’s acceptance of the Lt. Governor position for our district in 2009-2010. The amount of \$750 was approved; this money will be disbursed in two payments – the first on October 1, 2009 and the 2nd on January 2, 2010.

Glenn Frost is attending the Annual NE District Foundation meeting on June 20th. This meeting will be held at Tufts Medical Center in Boston.

Our Club will purchase 10 tickets to a New England Revolution game – these tickets will be donated to one of the local youth programs we support.

Debbie Landwehr and Glenn Frost leave for the International Convention in Nashville mid week during the week of June 22nd. The Convention runs from June 25th through the 28th.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2009 beginning at 8:30 AM in the Boardroom of the Hampshire First Bank, 80 Canal Street, Manchester, NH. **There will not be a board meeting in July.**

41st ANNUAL KIWANIS AUCTION A HUGE SUCCESS!

by Shannon Sullivan



The annual auction, held on June 6th at the Webster House in Manchester, was a huge success thanks to the efforts of Kiwanians and other community volunteers!

The days and weeks leading up to the Auction were frightening- the situation was unusually bleak. The

trailer at The Webster House was doubling as an echo chamber. So we put out a plea and once again Kiwanians stepped up in the nick of time to help us raise a total of \$19,000 for the children of our community! It was a tough year but we prevailed!

The Quad Squad would like to express our appreciation to the **Webster House** for use of their facilities and for the assistance provided by the staff and residents and to **State Motors** for the mobile sign. Thank you to every business and organization who donated items to us for the auction! Thank you to all of our Auction attendees, as well!

Also, thanks to **Coca-Cola** and the **NH Fisher Cats** for supplying the food court items, as well as to **Wal-Mart** for use of the trailer. A BIG THANK YOU to **Bill Murphy** for all of the merchandise he provides and donates. Thank you to 95.7 **WZID** for their enthusiasm and donation of thousands of dollars in airtime to execute the Eagles “Hotel California” guitar radio auction and their promotion of the Live Auction.



A special thank you to **Stephen Singer and Merchants Automotive** for donating the Eagles guitar for the radio auction. This item brought in an additional \$3,550 for our Auction. Congratulations and thank you, also, to Dr. Daniel Vasquez from Londonderry for his winning bid! The children of Manchester and the Kiwanis Club thank you!

The Auction is a huge effort that requires help from many folks. We wish to acknowledge **the captains and the committee heads and their teams** for their hard work and commitment to making the Auction such a success. We know that so many of you just “know what to do” for the Auction- thank you for doing what you do!

Thanks to the great kids from the **West Circle K Club** and the **Webster House** who offered their assistance throughout. A special nod goes to **Norm and Ginny Tetu** for manning the electronic checkout process!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO FRANK EATON, CHUCK MORESHEAD AND MIKE MORIN for carrying the auction and keeping it entertaining and interesting from beginning to end.

Finally, thank you to all Kiwanians who bought raffle tickets (this also brought in an additional \$2,800 to the Auction), secured and donated auction items, bid on items and volunteered their time on the day of! **WE MAKE A GREAT TEAM AND WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!**

Here is the link to view additional photos:

<http://www.kiwanismanchesternh.org/photogallery.html>

Sincerely,

The Auction “Quad Squad” (you know, the ones with the cute t-shirts...)

Lou Catano, Deb Landwehr, Rob Dionne and Shannon Sullivan

NEW MEMBER



Rene Ciccone, welcome to the Kiwanis Club of Manchester, NH.

KEY CLUB UPDATE

by Monika Bryant

The members of the West High Key Club have had a busy spring. In April, I accompanied **4** of them to the District Convention in Springfield, MA. There were approximately **1200** high school students attending. There was so much energy and enthusiasm in the air, **it was contagious!!**

West Key Club had undertaken a drive to collect DVDs for the Veterans Hospital and for the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Unit at Tufts Medical Center in Boston MA, that yielded them several hundred movies, translating into many hours of entertainment. At the District Convention they made this presentation, where they received a huge Thank You and Award from the New England District .

Chelsea Cahill, Lt. Governor District 9/10, received an award for Outstanding Lt. Governor and a **\$1,000** scholarship. **Robyn Keriazes** received an award for Outstanding Key Club President and a **\$400** scholarship. Both will be attending UNH this fall and are looking forward to becoming active members of the UNH Circle K.

I wish all of the Key Club graduates a wonderful journey thru life and will truly miss them.

These Key Clubbers also volunteered at the Kiwanis Webster House Auction, on June 6th, after attending their Senior Prom just the night before.

The Key Club member volunteers have proven very versatile and valuable, from helping the elderly by cleaning their yards in the fall, to ladling out soup for a New Horizons’ Fundraiser; face painting at sports events, and being runners at the Kiwanis Auction.

The Bedford High Key Club, led by Nicole Acosta and Danielle Blevens was also represented by 5 members and their Faculty Advisor, Emma Carol.

Key Club members have a genuine concern for people and strive to make their Community a better place. Thanks to all of you!

KEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

by Monika Bryant

I had the pleasure of attending West High's Knight of Honor on June 3rd, where I was proud to present **two \$1,000 Scholarships** from our club. The recipients were **Matthew Richards and Robyn Keriazes**.

The Derryfield High School, held their award event on May 26th in the lyceum. **Bianca Nicolosi** was presented a **\$1,000 scholarship**.

All of the Scholarship recipients were **very grateful** and indicated the money would serve well to buy their books for the upcoming semester.

KEY LEADER PROGRAM

by Monika Bryant

Key Club members from both West High and Bedford High attended Key Leader Weekends at Camp Huckins in Freedom, NH in the fall, Camp Sunshine in Maine, and Camp Hayward in Sandwich, MA.

They learned many leadership skills in workshops, role playing and hands on training. Four of the Key Clubbers returned to the Key Leader Weekends as Facilitators.

This is a wonderful program offered by Kiwanis to bring out the leadership qualities in the "most timid" of high school students.

From what I've heard from those that run the Key Leader Program –**"It really works!!"**

BREAKTHROUGH MANCHESTER

(f/k/a Summerbridge)

As you are all aware one of the projects that our Club sponsors is Breakthrough Manchester (f/k/a Summerbridge) at the Derryfield School.

This program is an intensive educational program for deserving 6th and 7th graders.

Each year there is a Visitors Day and a Celebration and each member of the Club is invited. Below you will find the times.

Visitors' Days:

Thursday, July 23, 8:00-9:30am

Tuesday, July 28, 11:30am-1:00pm

Celebration: Saturday, August 8, 5:30pm.

If you are interested please contact:

Katie Erskine

kerskine@derryfield.org

LUNCH WITH THE FISHER CATS

by Glenn Frost

Lunch with the Fisher Cats on July 8th!

Please note that our regularly scheduled luncheon for the 2nd Wednesday of July (7/8/2009) will be held at the Fisher Cats ballpark in the Samuel Adams Lounge. Lunch will be served by the park's catering service. Mike Ramshaw, VP of Sales for the Fisher Cats, will be our speaker that day.

WEBSTER HOUSE TURNS "125"

Webster House

Manchester Children's Home Invites

Past Residents, Staff, Board Members and Friends

To Celebrate Its 125th

Sunday, July 19th

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

At The Webster House

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Manchester, NH

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the world one child and one
community at a time.***