Greater Woodbury Kiwanis-**KRONICLE**

Meeting: Thurs. at Noon Woodbury Mews 122 Green Ave., Woodbury, NJ 856-384-6600



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December Birthdays: 12/3-Claire Essig, and 12/3-Joe Welch, **ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAY !!!!!**

The Terrific Kids schedule for December is as follows:

Tuesday, December 15th 9:00 AM - West End School Thursday, December 17th 8:45 AM – Woodbury Heights School Thursday, December 17th 10:30AM - Walnut Street School Tuesday, December 22nd 9:00AM – Evergreen School



Any member who wants to attend on these dates is welcome.



Programs for December:

December 3rd - Gar Miller - Women in Baseball

December 10th – Susan Sedlack – Coordinator for Druand ATS & Thrift Store

December 17th – Mark Patterson's train display in Mickleton following lunch

December 24th & December 31st - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

HEADLINES from Chip MacDonald: It is time to get into the holiday spirit. Our Annual Poinsettia Sale is here and they will cost \$9.00 for a 61/2 inch pot of red, white or pink flowers. You have received selling instructions in the mail. BUT, Chip did reveal these facts to me: completed order forms are due to Chip by Friday, November 20th. So you must do your selling by then. The pick up dates at Morris Graphics will be Thursday December 3rd and 10th after 9AM. Any questions please call Chip at: 848-5858.



Woodbury Child Development Center is sponsoring a Silent Auction on Friday, December 4, 2009 at Woodbury High School. There will be theme baskets, door prizes, a 50/50 drawing and hot dogs, pretzels, shorty hoagies and sodas for sale. Doors open at 6:30pm with tickets at \$5.00 per person. Additional Auction sheets are

available at \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Proceeds go to the CDC. Please help support the CDC by attending this event. To contribute a theme basket please contact Phyllis at 845-2243.

Greater Woodbury's website is: www.kiwaniswoodburynj.com

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Dates to Remember:

December 3rd - YMCA - Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at Auletto's 7AM

December 5th - Child Development Silent Auction 6:30pm at Woodbury High School

December 6th - Holiday Brunch at Bogie's in Pitman at 12:30PM

January 7th - President's Auction - bring your wrapped treasures

January 29th & 30th Mid Winter Convention in Somerset

January 31st - last date for early registration for International Convention in Las Vegas June 24-27th

February 20th - Annual Spaghetti Dinner at Kemble Church 3PM-6PM

April 10th -Kiwanis One Day Division 2 Service Project with our 9 Kiwanis Clubs, Circle K, & Key Clubs

Catherine McClean was our Guest Reader at the Child Development Center on Wednesday, October 28th at 4pm. Catherine gave up tickets to go to the 1st World Series game in order to read to our after-school group of 42 kids! She did a great job, Kathleen O'Connor says. Her background is Director of Equal Opportunity at the joint Bases of Dix, McGuire and Lakehurst. Thanks to our Greater Woodbury Kiwanis Club each child was given a book that he or she chose.

Our holiday brunch will be held on Sunday, December 6th at Bogie's in Pitman at 12:30PM. The price is \$20. for adults and \$10. for children. Family and friends are invited to join us. Please sign up at our meetings by Dec 3rd. Make your check out to Woodbury Kiwanis and give it to Tony who will write one check for us.

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Woodbury celebrated its 86th Charter Anniversary on November 5, 2009 at Nicolosi Catering. We were privileged to have our District Governor, Mark Esposito attend. Mark commended us for sponsoring our 6 Key Clubs and for our work with the children of our community. Membership is an important part of Mark's goals for the year. We were honored to have the spouses of deceased members join us for this special evening. President George Wagoner spoke to us concerning our International President, Paul Palazzolo's drive for membership. Lt. Governor, Joan Van Note, spoke briefly about our spring service project which will include all clubs in Division 2 as well as Key Clubs and our Circle K Club. Working as a Kiwanis family will help strengthen our membership base. Joan was presented the President's plaque and gavel for 2008-2009. We had a buffet dinner.

The Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held at Aueletto's on Thursday. December 3rd at 7AM. Please sign up at our meetings. The cost of the breakfast is \$13.50 if we have a table of 8 Kiwanians attending (\$15 if we don't have a table of 8). Please make checks to Kiwanis and Tony will turn in one check at the breakfast.



The President's Auction is the time that it is ok to regift items that you received for Christmas or Hanukkah and didn't want to keep. Our auctioneer extraordinaire, Chip MacDonald, will be looking for all Kiwanians to come to our January 7th luncheon meeting for this exciting event. Please bring several gifts with you to regift.

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The Spiritual Aims Committee reports the following programs that you might want to attend. Saturday, December 5th 7PM-(Salem Brass) Christmas Concert, Union Presbyterian Church Sunday, December 6th 4PM-(Salem Brass) Haddonfield Baptist Concert Series Sunday, December 13th (at both services 8:30 & 10:45) Kemble Methodist Advent Musicale

The Woodbury Kiwanis would like to extend sincere condolences and prayers to the family of Dick Skinner who passed away on October 27th. We would also like to extend prayers and condolences to Claire Essig and her family on the passing of her husband, Ed on November 7th.

Ruth McGrath reported about the Service Leadership Program with our 6 Key Clubs. <u>Clearview</u> – did storytelling at the park

Gateway – volunteered at Shadow Equestrian and had a bake sale

G.C.I.T. – sold lemonade at Alex's Shadow Equestrian and had a bake sale

Paulsboro - collected for U.N.I.C.E.F., clothing, food, towels and toiletries for Samoa relief

West Deptford – painted a mural in the high school; collected for U.N.I.C.E.F.; sold evergreen arrangements for Christmas; gave out candy at Sterling House in Deptford; attended V.O.A. Action Teams Meeting

Woodbury - collected for U.N.I.C.E.F.

Don't forget our ongoing fund raisers make great holiday gifts.

Ron Vacarello, owner of Crescent Moon Coffee & Tea Restaurant, located in the Mullica Hill Plaza, gave us some fund raising opportunities. We now have our code number: 1001 which we use when we order coffee through his website at www.cmcoffee.com. This is an ongoing fund raising activity for the Woodbury Kiwanis so why not order coffee for a birthday, anniversary, or a special holiday? With each order our Kiwanis Club receives money.

When you sign up for the 2010 The Pitman Theatre season don't forget our code is KIWWOO. If you have friends who subscribe they might want to use our code so that our Woodbury Kiwanis gets the credit. This makes an excellent holiday gift that lasts throughout the year.



George, Connie, Betty, Jack and Joan met at Brunswick Lanes to bowl with our St. John of God's adopted class on Wednesday, November $11^{\rm th}$. We had such a great time with these amazing six students.

On Thursday, November 12th we had our luncheon meeting at the Brunic Restaurant on Route 130 Westville. Our speaker was Jill Taylor, senior park naturalist, from Scotland Run Park. She is in charge of many programs in this open space area: nature lessons, outreach programs, and Echo tours. This Park consists of more than 1,000 acres of mature woodland, wetlands, field succession areas, and the 80 acre Wilson Lake. Recreation opportunities include: fishing, boating, hiking, bird observation, a picnic pavilion and playground facilities.

A Message from your Past President, Joan

I would like to thank the Greater Woodbury Kiwanis Club for the privilege of serving as your President for 2008-2009. There are so many activities and projects that we worked on together that stand out for me. On May 14th we had an official name change of our club to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Woodbury; we inducted one person in September and 2 people on Mark Esposito's st prize in the NJ District. We did a 'Dining to visit October 1, 2009. Our Kronicle Donate' project and had lunch and a birthday cake surprise at Applebee's in December. The chairs and committee members of our children's service programs did a tremendous job throughout the year helping our 6 Key Clubs, St John of God's class, sports teams, HOBY candidates, Terrific Kids and Child Development Center students. We had a good representation in our District, Midwinter and International Conventions this year. The luncheon programs were varied and informative: thank you to everyone who helped in scheduling our guest speakers and programs. At our annual Farmers/Kiwanis night we were honored to have the NJ Secretary of Agriculture, Doug Fisher, join us for the evening. In May we had 3 members receive the President's Volunteer Service award at Gloucester County College. We also continued with our yearly activities: the annual picnic, spaghetti and chicken barbecue dinners. In September I presented awards to our members at a special recognition program. Working with International President, Paul Palazzolo, we undertook a new, positive direction with our yearly club evaluation and membership drive through his 'Reveal your growth potential' in a four part plan: walk the talk, stay flexible, reach out and keep it in the family. Our Kiwanis printer and graphic specialist, ambassador for Kiwanis One Day, our treasurer and secretary were an invaluable help to me as was my special advisor to the president. So, you see it takes a city of people working together to keep a Kiwanis club moving in a positive direction. Thank you for your help and support throughout my year as President.

Yours in Service, Joan Van Note

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Dear Kiwanians, I wish everyone a Happy Hanukkah and a very Merry and Christmas and a Joyous New Year in 2010.



It gave me great pleasure to write the Greater Woodbury Kiwanis Kronicle in 2009. I wish you, your family, and friends a prosperous and healthy 2010! Would you please take time to pray for our country and the servicemen and women serving at home and throughout the world? My wish is for World Peace in 2010, Your Kronicle Editor. Joan

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Greater Woodbury Celebrates Dick Skinner's Life

Richard Skinner, 83, of Woodbury, died on October 27, 2009 at Underwood Hospital. He was born in Westville and had resided is Woodbury for the past 62 years. Dick was a 1943 graduate of Woodbury High School and earned his bachelor's degree from Yale University in 1946. He worked for the PhilcoFord and CertainTeed as an engineer and manager until retiring in 1989.

Dick was elected to Woodbury City Council in 1965 and served the City for 29 years, including 10 years as Council President, and 12 years as Mayor.

Dick was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Woodbury where he taught Sunday School and served as an elder; he was a life member of the Southern NJ Chamber of Commerce, past president of both the Greater Woodbury Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Woodbury Kiwanis Club, A member of the US Navy Reserve, he belonged to the American Legion Post 133. He was the recipient of the President's Lifetime Volunteer Service Award from the Volunteer Center of Gloucester County.

Dick is survived by his wife of 62 years Hazel; two daughters Sandra Skinner of Woodbury and Linda Skinner (Jeffrey Crossland) of Lewisburg, PA; sister Janice Curren of Ridley, PA; 3 grandchildren Patrick Michael, Grace Elizabeth and Daniel Richard Crossland. In lieu of flowers donations to the Presbyterian Church, American Cancer Society 1851 Old Cuthbert Rd Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 or the American Red Cross 3 Parke Place Blvd. Sewell, NJ 08080

We as Kiwanis members will miss the presence of this special person at our meetings. Dick always had the words of wisdom for our discussions. He was one of the first in our club to volunteer and work tirelessly for our fund raisers whether it was the poinsettia sale or the chicken barbeque dinners. But most of all Dick was an honorable and well liked Kiwanian whom we will miss.

