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## KIWANIS CLUB OF THE CHATHAMS

**Tuesdays, July 7, 14, Lunch at Brooklake CC, Brooklake Rd, Florham Park.**  
**Tuesdays, July 21, 28 8:AM Charlie Browns Steak House, Chatham Twp.**

### JULY, 2009

#### ECLC Graduate Wins Eagle Scout Award

Daniel Homan, of ECLC Troop 100, received his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor on June 23. Our VP, Dick Plambeck, spoke as a member of the Patriots Path Council Executive Board, then presented Dan



Dick Plambeck, Dan Homan, Scoutmaster Hugh Devine Photo, Plambeck.

with a Kiwanis Certificate of Recognition, which he and Doug Bryant had signed.

Dick also presented Eagle Scout Certificates from

Kiwanis to Robert Binning and Kyle Nealis of Troop 8 in the Borough (June 5) and to Ryan Sturm, Troup 121 in the Township (June 29).

#### CHS: Kiwanis Annual Music Awards

Doug Bryant represented our club at an awards ceremony on June 5. Here, he honored four graduating seniors for outstanding contributions to their musical specialties. The John Philip Sousa *Band Award* was won by Joshua Crowley, while Andrew J. Hopen received the Louis Armstrong *Jazz Award*. The National School *Choral Award* went to Carolyn N. Souza, with Melanie T. Panosian taking home the National School *Orchestra Prize*. The awards, shown below, include a certificate for framing, a medallion on a marble base, and an attractive lapel pin.



Band



Jazz



Chorus



Orchestra

ECLC Ceremony “The scholarship gifts are a token of our appreciation, and our admiration, for the wonderful accomplishments of these graduating students”, President Doug Bryant, addressing those gathered for the



Graduates, Gagliardi, Bryant, Diplomas

June 18 celebration.

Following opening ceremonies, a welcoming address by Principal Diane Gagliardi, and some *Graduate Reflections*, Doug presented the *Kiwanis Gifts*, the first of five Community Awards listed in the 2009 Graduation Program. After introducing himself, he described the close relationship between our club and the School, including our sponsorship of the ECLC Key Club. He said, “One of the things we look forward to each year is the opportunity to come here and participate in your graduation ceremony and to present scholarship gifts to each of the graduating students.” He also described the “two way street” of our relationship, and our appreciation for the many ways in which they help our club, including the publishing and mailing of our newsletter.

Following awards by the Jaycees and three local banks, there were more talks (“Reflections”) by graduating students. The final awards were memorials, plus an ECLC TPA and a Sunshine Award. After the last group of Reflections, the big moment came, the Awarding of Diplomas by Principal Gagliardi, and Assistant Principal Susan Tillis. With diplomas in hand, the Graduate Chorus sang “We’re All In This Together”. Indeed, many who had not attended had also played a part in this successful celebration.

Photo, Ron Whalin

**Installation Dinner info, August Crier.**  
**Price: \$40.00.**



**August Crier:**  
**Winners of 2009 Kiwanis Four year Scholarships**



**August Crier:**  
**Cruise Bermuda, May16-23, Holland-America Nancy Boucher.**



**Sponsored Youth—**  
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**CLUB CALENDER FOR JULY 09- MEETINGS AND EVENTS****Board Meeting, Wed, July 15** Chatham UMC at 8PM**Special Events: July 1-4,** Key Club International Convention, Dallas**July 4, Chatham Parade.** Includes Kiwanis Float with Liberty Statue, plus Kiwanis sponsored float for the Chatham Community Band.**July 19-25** Youth Leadership Institute, at College of NJ in Ewing.**Birthdays this month:** July 10, Amos Chalif; July 16, Pat Arnesen; July 26, Clyde Jukswert; July 27, George Baker; July 30, Joe Murphy.**Invocations:** July 7, Monty Montague; July 14, Charlie Murray; July 21, Dave Mutchler; July 28, John Eyre.**JULY MEETINGS, Mary Anne Maloney, Chair****July 7, Tues. Lunch, Stephanie Cooperman, Builders Club Advisor, on the Chatham Middle School retreat at Frost Valley.****July 14, Tues. Lunch Debbie Moreland, of the Morris County Historical Society, "The Gilded Age".****July 21, Tues. Breakfast, Melissa Stare, of SAGE, in Summit, "Boosting Brainpower with Neurobics"****July 28, Tues. Breakfast, Joan Theubel's usual magic will transport us to Easter Island****AUGUST MEETINGS, Nancy Boucher, Chair****Aug. 4, Tues. Lunch** Dr.Scott Maron - "How to make the most out of your relationship with your Doctor"**Aug. 11, Tues. Lunch** Jake Masters (a college student) "Orphans Against Aids" He will be introduced by Eliot Knight.**Aug. 18, Tues. Breakfast** Jack Herman - "At Risk Teens and Project Pride"**Aug. 25, Tues. Breakfast** Elizabeth Halliday - "Madison Day Care Center"**August 6, Thursday Sparta Kiwanis Annual Steakbust: 6:PM at the Pavilion at Station Rd. Park. "Come and meet other Kiwanians from Divisions 10 and 11. I've been before, and the food and fellowship are great!", Herb Ramo, Interclub Chair. Join our delegation, and share a ride. Contact Herb at 973-635-2809 to make arrangements. Price, \$25.00 per person.****Sparta  
Annual  
Steak  
Bust****Aug.20** Library Cook-out from 3 to 4:30. Party for young readers. Volunteers welcome.**Aug.21-23** NJ District Kiwanis Convention, Princeton. To attend one day, or three, see Doug Bryant or Nancy Boucher.**Sept. 23,** Installation Dinner 6:PM at Brooklake CC. Price \$40.00 per person. Details, Aug.Crier**Chatham Kiwanis- Officers, Directors for 2008-2009**

Doug Bryant, President	Betty Anne Keat, Director	2009
Rich Behling, President-Elect	Dave Pike, Director	2009
Cory Fuller, Past President	Nancy Boucher, Director	2010
Dick Plambeck, Vice President	Nancy Holt, Director	2010
Tom Mullin, Secretary	Herb Ramo, Director	2010
Ron Whalin, Treasurer	Jerry Cunningham, Dir.	2011
Valerie Olpp, Asst. Treasurer	Jill Gregg, Director	2011
Marge Ahrens, Director	Mary Anne Maloney, Dir.	2011

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**Kiwanis-Rotary Picnic Successful Again- Good Food, Fellowship, & Weather**



Charles Jijon, of Chatham, President of the Rotary Club of Chatham, Millburn and Short Hills, whose turn it was to host the meal, struck a pan to draw attention to his welcoming remarks. He recalled the long tradition of our joint picnics, and thanked our club members for being such good hosts last year.



Following his remarks, President, Doug Bryant



**Kiwanians & Rotarians - together for annual picnic**

then expressed our appreciation for the fine meal prepared by the Rotarians. He welcomed the out-of towners to Chatham, and wished a time of good fellowship to all. Our Chatham Kiwanians will host the picnic next year, in the park between the Fire House and the Gazebo..

**May 12: Trip to Australia and New Zealand.**

**“Of all my trips, this has drawn more interest than any other”**, Alan Robertson, describing the reaction of neighbors to the trip he made with his friend, Joan Frye. Together they told about the beautiful scenery of Queensland, New Zealand, a former gold rush town, now earning its way through tourism. They went by boat to Australia, where they explored the Great Barrier Reef, got close to native animals like koala bears\_(really marsupials) and wallabies (small cousins to the kangaroo), visited the city of Sidney and fell in love with its opera house. At fifteen years, this famous building is still under construction. Alan told us of the lines of people waiting to enter, not to enjoy a concert or opera, but just to see the building. He and Joan



Joan & Wallaby

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Sidney Opera House; Photos, A .Robertson



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were happy to join the tourists, for they were also captivated by the creative drama of its design. Alan and Joan were impressed by the friendliness of the people they encountered. (Rt, Alan & Joan, Queensland)



**Clean Communities Program #3**

**“Our first 2 cleanups were very effective. By the time of our 3<sup>rd</sup>, on June 17, new trash had been reduced so much that the Borough has asked us to move to a new area in September”**, Chairman Gary Arnesen. .

Assisting in the work were community service stalwarts including Mal Kitson Ron Whalin, and Doug Bryant,. Also helping were a number of new members: Sharon Johnson, Marty Secheyah, and Mayor Nelson Vaughn. Nelson’s neighbor, Jean Hanley became an enthusiastic volunteer with our crew.

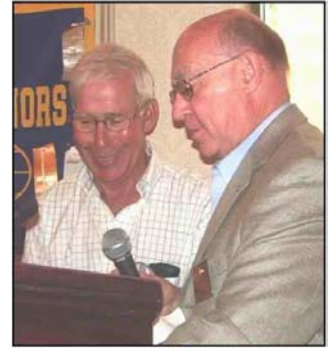


Kitson,Whalin,Hanley,Vaughn,Bryant,Sechehan,Arnesen,Johnson

### **June 2, New Member: Long Time Resident, and Now a Kiwanian.**

**John Harter** moved here at the age of four, then left for college, the Marine Corps, and his early marriage years. He moved back to the Chathams with Lynda Carra, his French-speaking wife from Montreal, in '73. They now have four grown children: Carolyn Lyon and husband Chris, with three children, live in Norwalk, CT; Eric, single, lives in Alexandria, VA; Carl, in Madison, is engaged; Mark is single, and lives in Hoboken.

"I was a member of the Township Jaycees, and involved in service to the community: I was active with the Chatham soccer and ice hockey programs with my children, as coach and official. I guess I'd like to be involved with the youth programs." John mentioned that his brother, Bob, was president of the West Palm Beach Kiwanis in the early '80's. He is looking forward to meeting our many active members. Please *welcome our newest Kiwanian!*



Kiwanis advice for John

### **Past President Fuller Honored by Jaycees**



Cory Fuller

Cory Fuller followed the path of many Chatham notables in receiving the Jaycees Distinguished Service Award. A reception in her honor was held June 10 at Charlie Brown's Steak House. Among those attending were former recipients, including Kiwanis VP and former Chatham Mayor, Dick Plambeck, and other interested Chatham residents. In announcing the award, the Jaycees listed many examples of her community service, including her membership in St. Patrick's Church, its choir and its Parish Council, her ten years as a Kiwanian, including service as director, vice president and president, her years as Borough council member and president, plus her service and chairmanship of the Fishawack Festival and the Morris Tomorrow organization. As fellow Kiwanians, we appreciate her dedication and her leadership qualities, and we salute her for this well-deserved honor by the Jaycees.

**Sponsored Youth, Opinion.** Erin Boehmer is President of the Key Club, Editor-in-Chief of the CHS Chronicle newspaper, and Valedictorian of the Class of 2009.

### **MLK Day and Inauguration Day at Chatham High** by Erin Boehmer

Year after year, Chatham students happily celebrate Martin Luther King Day by flocking to snow-covered ski slopes or by watching reruns of *Friends*. Martin Luther King Day has become Chatham's excuse to give families a break during the frigid days of winter, rather than an opportunity to remember this important leader and his impact on American history.

This year, however, things seemed particularly backward. For the first time in American history, an African American was sworn in as the President of the United States. Barack Obama's success in the 2008 presidential elections broke a racial barrier that, only forty years before, seemed indestructible. Yet, while students were told to stay home and celebrate Dr. King's birthday, they had to attend school on the day of President Obama's inauguration – a day that, in many ways, was the culmination of the Reverend's teachings and efforts. Rather than giving students Inauguration Day off, encouraging them to take part in the new America that they will mold and become a vital part of, Chatham students went to school on January 20, 2009, just like any other day of the year. Necessary? Maybe, but not nearly as important as the history-in-the-making that high school students were missing. Martin Luther King Jr. was a remarkable intellectual, speaker, and leader, but it is through his legacy of liberty, equality, and hope that his memory lives on. Martin Luther King Day may represent him as a person, but the 2008 elections captured his spirit. Many Americans will remember January 20, 2009 as the day a visionary minister's dream became a reality. But because Chatham schools lacked the foresight to claim Inauguration Day 2009 as a holiday, CHS students may be more likely to remember that "the skiing that weekend was great!"

**Inspired by her longer article in the CHS Chronical (Vol. 22, Issue 3), titled *Martin Luther King Day Falls One Day Too Early This Year*, Erin graciously agreed to write this version for our Crier.**