



Colebrook Kiwanian



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Meetings: Kiwanis-Tuesday 7:15a.m.at The Wilderness Restaurant, 181 Main Street, Colebrook, NH 03576
Board Meetings - Last Monday of the month at 7:00PM - Monadnock Village Community Room
Key Club: Canaan-Wed. at 7:30AM, Colebrook - Wed. at 7:00PM, Pittsburg - every other Wed. at 1:50PM. Builders Club: Canaan Wed. at 7:30AM, Errol - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 12:30PM

Guests: Potential Members: Chuck Baldwin and Alma Neary.
Key Club Members: Colebrook-Danny, Katie, Sarah and Sebastian.

A Speedy Recovery for Linda

Linda had surgery on Wednesday. Everyone send her wishes for a speedy recovery.

A New Song Master??

Weekly Drawing winner (?) Roland C. led the club in song this week. Roland remarked, "This club has a reputation as poor singers. Let's see if we can change that this week!" Roland brought in his guitar in hopes that this might keep the members "in tune". An unknown member suggested, "Roland lead the songs weekly to help improve the club's reputation." To Roland's relief, the notion wasn't seconded!

Errol Builders Club

The Errol Builders Club raised \$900 to donate to the Errol Congregational Church. Their next event is a cookie sale to help with their Support a Soldier project. Anyone wishing to help or with questions about the project should contact Sharon Miller at 603-482-7771.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Wayne Urso on his appointments to the Upper Connecticut Valley Community Coalition Board of Directors. Past President Wayne has been a member of Kiwanis of Colebrook since 2001.

Canaan Key Club Receives \$500 Donation

Four members of Colebrook Kiwanis attended the Wednesday morning meeting of the Canaan Key Club. At the meeting, Advisor Renee Marchessault announced that the club has received a \$500 donation.

During a VT DOT inspection, an anonymous truck driver received a ticket. The driver was given the option of paying the fine or making a donation to a charity. The driver opted for the donation. DOT Officer Eugene Cote recommended the Canaan Key Club as a recipient and the driver agreed. Canaan Key Club will use the donation to cover costs associated with attending the New England Key Club Convention this spring. Canaan Key Club is in the process of sending thank you letters to the driver and Officer Cote.

Winter Carnival Committee Meeting

The Winter Carnival Committee will meet on Wednesday, December 16th at 5:00 P.M. The meeting will be held in the Colebrook Elementary School Library and is open to all members. Let's give Chairman Mary J. the support she needs to make the Winter Carnival a great success.

Gift Wrapping Party!

The Gift Wrapping Party will be held on Sunday, December 13th at the Colebrook Country Club. Come in and help wrap the gifts for the CCNH Christmas Party. The Wrapping Party begins at 6:00 P.M.

Super Bowl Grid Fund Raiser Begins!

The ticket sales for the Super Bowl Grid Fund Raiser have begun. Earl Bunnell has sent a unofficial challenge to members. Earl has taken 10 tickets to sell. Can we meet -or beat- his challenge?

The Super Bowl Grid is a match game. One hundred tickets are sold at \$25 each. After all thicketes are sold, a 10 x 10 grid is made. Each grid is assigned a number (i.e. Grid 1=0-9) and a ticket holder. At the end of each quarter, the corresponding point spread is matched to the correct square. There is a winner each quarter and the prize per quarter is \$250!

Good luck to the salesmen on meeting Earl's challenge and to all the ticket holders.

A Challenge to the Members!!

What's in a name many of us ask. Do you knows the official club name?? If you think you do, email me at meep11958@gmail.com with your answer. Charter members don't spill the beans since you are supposed to know this all ready. Let's see if you really do! Results will be announced at Tuesday's meeting.

Santa Comes to Town!

Imagine if you can, Colebrook gym filled with children, and parents, awaiting the arrival of a very special person. Suddenly the gym becomes silent and a voice booms out, "Ho, Ho, Ho! Merry Christmas!" Santa has arrived that the fun begins at the annual *Santa Comes to Town* celebration. Children and parents began arriving at 12:15 P.M. in anticipation of Santa's arrival. By 1:00 P.M., a line has formed circling the gym and spilling out into the hall. At promptly 1:00, Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived with the assistance of a Colebrook Fire Department ladder truck.



Children of all ages enjoyed cookies, hot chocolate, face painting, coloring and crafts throughout the busy afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Claus, with the help of Tonya the Elf, handed out 168 stockings to area children. Parents received a photo of their child/children sitting with Santa at no cost. Several adults also took advantage of the opportunity to sit in Santa's lap to the merriment of all!

In the early 1980's, Bob Moore started this wonderful tradition that has lasted for almost 30 years. During this time, there have been three Santa's: Bob Moore (our original Santa), Al Bunnell and current Santa John Fa. Santa John commented, "When I hear a child's only wish is that he or she have a Happy Christmas with their family, I realize that this (stocking) might be the only gift they receive this year. This is why I keep doing this."

Pete Goodreau chaired the *Santa Comes to Town* for many years. Deciding that Santa needed the right kind of chair, Pete began bringing in his own rocking chair for Santa to use. Pete's daughter, Rose Hibbard, brings the rocking chair in each year continuing the tradition he started.

The annual budget for *Santa Comes to Town* is \$2,000. Through the combined efforts of Co-Chairs Judy H. and Linda R, this year's event came in under budget. With help of the Christmas Shop, Judy and Linda selected stockings and the stocking stuffers. The items were ordered and delivered to the North Conway shop. Judy and Linda then went to Conway to pick-up all of the goodies. Colebrook Key Club members meet the Wednesday before the celebration to stuff all the stockings. This year the Key Club members stuffed 200 stockings. Judy reported that the number of stockings given out was down from last year's total of 187. Next year's total may be higher die to the loss of jobs in the area.

Judy thanked members for all their help in making this celebration a success. July also thanked the Canaan and Colebrook Key clubs for the face painting, crafts and for helping with the clean up.



Our great
Co-Chairs Judy
And Linda



Upcoming Events

December 8, 2009
December 13, 2009
December 15, 2009
December 16, 2009

December 17, 2009
December 22, 2009
December 28, 2009
December 29, 2009
February

February 20, 2010
March 5-7, 2010
June 24-27, 2010
July 4, 2010
July 7-10, 2011
July 27-July 1, 2012
June 26-30, 2013

Weekly meeting. 7:15 a.m. at the Wilderness Restaurant.
Gift Wrapping Party. Colebrook country Club at 6:00 P.M.
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Winter Carnival Meeting. Colebrook Elementary School Library at 5:00 p.m.
Nursing Home Christmas Party - 1:30 p.m. Set-up begins at 1:00 p.m.
Weekly meeting. 7:15 a.m. at the Wilderness Restaurant.
Board Meeting. Monadnock Village Community Room at 7:00.
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Winter Carnival - to be announced!
Snow-Bocce Tournament - to be announced!
Interclub to Kiwanis/Monarchs Night. More info to follow
Mid-Winter Training Conference - Crowne Plaza, Worcester MA
95th Kiwanis International Convention - Las Vegas NE
July 4th Parade. More information to follow.
96th Kiwanis International Convention - Geneva, Switzerland
97th Kiwanis International Convention - New Orleans
98th Kiwanis International Convention - Vancouver, BC

December Anniversary

Clayton and Michelle Hinds Dec. 24th

November Induction

Donald Dickson(charter) 32 years

December Inductions

Sonja Sheldon 16 years
Joe Anderson 10 years
Lindy Falconer 8 years
Wayne Urso 8 years
Sarah Cummings 4 years

Kiwanis Links

Colebrook Kiwanis: www.colebrook-kiwanis.org
Kiwanis International: www.kiwnais.org
Kiwanis New England District: www.homestead.com/newenglandkiwanis

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