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Date		Program
12/25	Mon	Regular Meeting Canceled we will not meet on 12/25
1/1	Mon	No meeting on January 1st of 2007 but we will observe a " Round Table " the following day - Tuesday 1/2/2007. For Round Tables we request that all members call in via phone to Dr. Hillier's Office at (804)748-5008 and leave a message indicating your name and fact you are reporting for "The Round Table".
1/8	Mon	Board Night
1/15	Mon	Regular Meeting Chrishawn Spackman, is coming in to speak on "Overseas Adoptions" - which she just experienced.
1/22	Mon	Regular Meeting - TBA
Meetings are held on Monday Nights at Eckerd's Drug store in Chester at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted. Contact Program Chair Gary Burleigh with suggestions.		



Uncle Ron

President's Message

You know - the past few weeks have really been great. I don't think I have felt a greater level of comfort and, as I told Dr. Hillier this AM, **conviviality** among members attending, than in any time since I became a member in November of 1999.



both interesting and reliable. And what can you



Postage stamp saved this month:

The 2006 Christmas stamp features an oil-on-canvas entitled Madonna and Child with Bird. Dating from around 1765, the painting is attributed to Ignacio Chacón-an artist active from about 1745 to 1775 in Cuzco, Peru.

say about Phil? With all of his intended and unintended humor – he rose to the occasion with his Lewis & Clark skit.

Tam certainly went the extra mile to make sure everything was in place for the **Oyster Roast**.



Many thanks to the members who volunteered for the **Key Club** and **Keyettes Canned Food Drive** and **Angel Tree** project.

Nicole's recommendation to contribute toys to **Christmas Mother** and **Stacy's Spare change Project**; not to mention Ted Rayman and those who volunteered to work the Bizarre Bazaar, made the Christmas season feel real. As we approach the end of the 2006 year we still have the Happy Ending, the **Kiwanis Christmas Parade** and of course the Club's Annual **Christmas Party**. When I see the readiness to take on responsibilities and unselfishness of our members it makes me feel proud to be a Kiwanian.



For those of you who may have missed a meeting or did not attend our December Board meeting let me bring you up to date on a couple of topics of discussion. Joe Hillier noted that in light of our club's **35th Anniversary** this June it might be appropriate we consider celebrating with dinner and an evening out with our spouses or significant others. Keep that in mind and if there is a general consensus we will appoint a group to begin planning.

At the Board Meeting, Nicole recommended that our club initiate and sponsor a **Chester Farmers Market**. She has already investigated the possibility of it being held at the Village Green and it would not only be a contribution to the community but also a possible money making project for the club. As there appeared to be support for the idea a committee consisting of Nicole, President-elect Jay Slagle, and Noelle Grosso was appointed to develop a proposal. Such a project could prove very demanding manpower wise, which emphasizes my final reflection: we each need to make an extra effort to seek out and encourage our civic minded friends and acquaintances to become

members of Chester's finest club. Need I say more?

Oh yes! **Chester Kiwanis' Chili Day** is coming up in January – get out your long underwear.

I wanted to let you know our holiday schedule. So many of our Monday Evenings Meetings fall on a Holiday this year we will have to make some adjustments

I understand if you are disappointed but we will not meet on 12/25 at the request of one of our Honorary Members who resides at the North Pole. No meeting on January 1st of 2007 but we will observe a "Round Table" the following day - Tuesday 1/2/2007. For Round Tables we request that all members call in via phone to Dr. Hillier's Office at (804)748-5008 and leave a message indicating your name and fact you are reporting for "The Round Table". Tom Williams will be sending out an E-Mail to remind you of the Round Table. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday January 8, 2007.

I sincerely appreciate all the support you have given the club and myself this year and look forward to an exciting 2007.

Uncle Ron

Anniversaries and Birthdays

Anniversaries

MJ & Ed Thompson	12/18
Suzie & Bradley Trotter	12/26
Dale & Tom Williams	12/20

Birthdays

Robert Cassada	12/02
Teresa Duncan	12/29
Holly Flores	12/25
Noelle Grosso	12/19
Bonnie Martin	12/23
Steven Miles	12/20
MJ Thompson	12/28
Walter Ward	12/30
Dale Williams	12/05

The editor wishes everyone a Happy New Year and hopes everyone has a safe and truly blessed holiday season. The editor also promises better and more timely Kiwan-e-grams in the future.