

# THE Bulletin



**Kiwanis**  
CLUB OF COLUMBUS

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world – one child and one community at a time.

**“Moving forward, pushing to the edge.”**

Noon to 1 p.m. luncheon meeting at The Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215

**April 10, 2017**



## **Mebane McMahon** Northwest United Methodist Church



Mebane McMahon is currently the lead pastor of the Northwest United Methodist Church in Columbus, Ohio. She has served in suburban, rural and inner-city settings for more than 30 years.

A storyteller, she uses humor, faith and gratitude in interpreting life in inspiring ways. As a high school senior, she was elected by 750 classmates to be the graduation speaker. She was appointed by inter-denominational colleagues to speak at the first ever ‘Bridge’ event in Dayton, Ohio, for better race relations. She took first-place honors in a “Best Sermon” contest sponsored by “Dynamic Preaching,” a professional publication and website. She has spoken at annual conference events on a number of occasions, as well.

Easter is this coming Sunday; it is one of the most important events of Christian faith. It is a time of reflection and joy. It promises new hope, new joy and new aspirations. Easter reminds us that hope must never be lost, for as dark as the road may seem, light always lies at the end of it. Pastor McMahon will present an Easter message that fosters these feelings and will hopefully inspire you to take a new approach to problems you are facing.

Besides being a pastor, she is a certified life coach, a blogger and parent of four grown children.

### *Today's Meeting*

#### **Greeters:**

**Fil Line** - ROI Realty Services

**Tom Christman** – Ohio Exterminating Company

#### **Invocation:**

**Joyce Waters**– Johnson Investment Counsel

**Committee Meetings:** Homeless (1 p.m.)

#### **Menu Options:**

**Hot:** House salad, herb-marinated chicken with Romesco sauce

**Cold:** Ham and Swiss sandwich on wheat with potato chips

### *A Glance at this week*

#### **Birthdays:**

04/10 – **Julie Rayis**

04/14 – **Fred Miller**

04/16 – **Dan McCormick**



**Tuesday, 04/11** – April Trustee and Committee Chair meeting – 5:30 p.m. – Merrill Lynch offices – 65 East State Street, Suite 2600

**Saturday, 04/15** – University Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt – 9 a.m. - Tuttle Park Recreation Center (240 W Oakland Avenue). Don't be late, this event happens quickly.

*Share Kiwanis with your friends by inviting them to join.*

## Quarterly Kiwanis Division 10-W Council meeting set ...

The next quarterly Kiwanis Division 10-W Council meeting will be held at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City. on Thursday, April 20. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., with the official meeting to follow.

Division Council meetings are open to all Kiwanis members who are interested in networking with other Kiwanis members from throughout the Division. It is a great place to exchange ideas and learn what other clubs are doing.

The meeting will be hosted by the Hilliard, Hilltop and London Kiwanis clubs, thereby enabling each attendee to earn three attendance credits.

Der Dutchman dinners are served family style and will include broasted chicken, roast beef, vegetables, salad, pie, bread and beverages, at a cost of \$18 per person. Pre-registration is required. You can register from the Activity Calendar on our Club website by clicking on the April 20 date and then the sign-up link.

*My wife told me I had to stop acting like a flamingo,  
so I had to put my foot down.*

## Joint Service Project set ...

A joint service day project between Kiwanis Club of Columbus and Columbus Young Professionals (CYP) has been set for Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to noon.

We will be doing a variety of hands-on tasks at the J. Ashburn Center (Boys and Girls Club of Columbus), such as painting, interior cleaning, exterior yard work, etc. This is the new home of the Boys & Girls Club, which relocated from its Gift Street location in Franklinton to the more centrally located Hilltop. The facility is the site for our long-time Reading Buddies program, coordinated by Kiwanian **Perry Fisher**.

After clean-up, rumor has it that volunteers will move to a site for some 'in-depth discussions' and recap of the morning's activities over adult beverages and snacks!

This will also be a perfect opportunity to share the Kiwanis story with CYP members and to invite them to an upcoming meeting or a 'Get to Know Kiwanis' session. Additional information and sign-up instructions will be forthcoming.

*What's orange and sounds like a parrot? A carrot.*

## May is 'Membership Month' ...

Ohio Kiwanis District Governor **Bill Flinta** has declared the month of May as 'Membership Month,' throughout the Ohio District. "Although we need to focus on membership efforts all of the time, let's make an extra push during the month of May," he said. Governor Flinta urges every club to be thinking of special events, membership drives, guest days and local advertising to spread the word about Kiwanis.

To add some excitement to the effort, any club that recruits two or more new members during the month of May will have their names in a drawing for a free registration to the annual State Kiwanis Convention scheduled for Saturday, August 12, in Dayton, Ohio. There will be two clubs awarded prizes.

Governor Bill challenges every Kiwanis member in Ohio to share their love and passion for Kiwanis and their community by inviting a friend, family member or co-worker to join us in service.

*I have an EpiPen. My friend gave it to me when he was dying; it seemed very important to him that I have it.*

## Trustees and committee chairs to meet ...

The April Trustee and committee chair meeting of Kiwanis Club of Columbus is set for Tuesday evening, April 11. The meeting will be held in the offices of Merrill Lynch, located at 65 East State Street, Suite 2600 and will be hosted by Kiwanian **Bill Calvert**.

Following the meeting, we will adjourn to Condado, a taco restaurant with a full bar, located around the corner at 132 South High Street. All are welcome to join us for fellowship and dinner.

These monthly meetings are open to all members of the Club. This is where official Club business is conducted and your participation in the discussions is welcome. The more input, ideas and perspectives we have, the better the Trustees are able to make balanced and informed decisions.

If there is an item, idea, concern or issue you would like to have placed on the agenda for discussion or consideration by the board, please let Club President **Jack D'Aurora** ([jdaurora@behallaw.com](mailto:jdaurora@behallaw.com)) know in advance.

Please let Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** ([pbohlman@aol.com](mailto:pbohlman@aol.com)) know by Monday, April 10, if you will be attending the meeting and joining us for fellowship and dinner.



## Columbus Kiwanis 5K: Racing to reduce infant mortality ...

Ohio has one of the highest rates of infant mortality in the United States, and Kiwanis Club of Columbus is working to change this.

Infant mortality is defined as the death of a baby before his or her first birthday. For every 1,000 babies that are born, almost six die during their first year. Most of these babies die as a result of birth defects, pre-term (*birth before 37-weeks gestation*) and low birth weight, maternal complications of pregnancy, sudden infant death syndrome (*SIDS*) and injuries (*e.g., suffocation*).

Kiwanis Club of Columbus is committed to the Kiwanis International mission of changing our world, one child and one community at a time. Reducing infant mortality, even if it is just one child, is a goal worth pursuing.

The Columbus Kiwanis 5K is designed to raise money to support organizations that are providing pre-natal and early childhood services designed to reduce infant mortality. The race will be held on Saturday, May 6, at Scioto Audubon Park (*400 West Whittier Street*) and will begin at 9 a.m.



Here's how you can help us raise money to save a baby's life:

- 1- Sign up to run or walk in the event. Registration is open to the public and can be done on-line. Simply log into our website at [www.columbuscharity5k.org](http://www.columbuscharity5k.org) and follow the step-by-step instructions.
- 2- Encourage your family members, friends and co-workers to sign up, as well.
- 3- Become a sponsor. Either as an individual or through your company/organization, you can become a participating sponsor at one of several levels. Each level has a variety of benefits commensurate with the sponsorship amount.
- 4- Be a donor and/or encourage others to donate to our cause. Secure credit card donations can be made via the registration website listed above.
- 5- Be a race volunteer. We will need a number of volunteers the day of the event to help with set-up and registration, serve as course marshals and to staff the water stop. You can sign up via the Activity Page of the Club's website.

Please help make this a successful event. The lives of children and the happiness of families are at stake.

### Kiwanis Auction takes new approach ...

As we continue to "move forward and push toward the edge," it is appropriate to try new approaches to help generate interest and stimulate member and community participation.

*The oldest computer can be traced back to Adam and Eve. Surprise! Surprise! It was an Apple, but with extremely limited memory - just 1 byte. Then everything crashed.*

This year's Kiwanis Charity Auction will have several new twists. First, we will be partnering with an organization called "Everything but the House." This is an on-line auction company ([www.EBTH.com](http://www.EBTH.com)) that will give us access to more than 900,000 bidders across the country. All we have to do is get the auction items to them. They in turn will photograph them, write a description and ship the item to the successful bidder. So, let's talk about items you can donate. We are looking for items you have around the house that may have a value of \$100 or more. Your donation will be tax deductible to the full extent of the law. The on-line auction will run from Wednesday, May 24, through Wednesday, May 31.



The second new twist is our auction event. It will be held on Friday, May 26 at the Valley Dale Ballroom (*1590 Sunbury Road*) and it will be more of a party atmosphere, rather than our traditional 'gala.' We will have a few silent auction items and a handful of live-auction items, but the focus will be on fun. Throughout the evening, as the party unfolds, you will also have the opportunity to bid on the on-line auction items. Cost of the evening will be \$45, and that will include several drink tickets. Food will be provided by Dirty Frank's Hot Dog Palace.

## Interclub opportunities ...

As a member of Kiwanis you are always welcome to attend the meetings and activities of other clubs around the world. If you are traveling for business or just have some free time while on vacation, Kiwanis clubs are all around and you are always welcome.

But you don't have to travel far to visit other clubs. In central Ohio alone, there are more than 30 Kiwanis clubs you can visit. Each club has its own way of conducting business and their own community service project or fundraiser you can get involved with. Here are some local Kiwanis events in the area you may want to consider:

1- **Saturday, April 15** – The University Kiwanis club will be conducting its annual Easter egg hunt at 9 a.m. at the Tuttle Park Rec Center located at 240 West Oakland Avenue. It's a great event for young children, but be sure to be on time. They start promptly at 9 a.m. and it is over very quickly.

2- **Saturday, April 23** – University Kiwanis will conduct its annual pancake breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., also at the Tuttle Park Rec Center located on West Oakland Avenue. It is 'ALL YOU CARE TO EAT' -- plain, blueberry and chocolate chip pancakes (Mickey Mouse available upon request for kids!). Tickets are available at the door for \$5 each.

3- **Friday, April 28** - Come enjoy a tasty all-you-can-eat fish fry, with proceeds benefiting many Northern Kiwanis Club projects including scholarships, work with Special Olympics, support of high school Key Clubs and lots more! It will be from 5 – 7:30 p.m. at the Clintonville Women's Club, 3951 North High Street.

4- **Monday, May 15** – Interclub at Washington Court House Kiwanis – 6:30 p.m. at the Crown Room Banquet Hall, located at 1801 Columbus Avenue. They will be honoring local high school athletes by handing out the 2017 Chrisman Awards.

Be sure to sign up on to attend these events using our Club's Activity Calendar on our website. This will help assure you get the proper attendance credits. It will also help you see who else is attending from our Club, and enable you to coordinate transportation or meeting up at the event.

*What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo?  
One is really heavy, and the other is a little lighter.*

## Support the club by ...

1- Placing a business card ad in the newsletter. Business card ads are \$25 each or six for \$135. You can pick your schedule – consecutive weeks, bi-monthly, monthly, etc.

2- Purchasing Giant Eagle gift cards. \$100 gift cards are kept in inventory and can be purchased each week. Other denominations can be special ordered.

*My friend says to me: "What rhymes with orange?"  
I said, "No, it doesn't"*

## Next meeting

(April 17, 2017)

### Program:

**Ken Schnacke** – President and General Manager  
of the Columbus Clippers

### Greeters:

**Ellwood Lewis** - retired  
**Pranab Bhattacharya** - Gupta & Associates,  
CPA, LLC

### Invocation:

To be determined

**Committee Meetings:** Public Relations (1 p.m.)

### Menu Options:

**Hot:** Mixed green salad, grilled salmon with red  
pepper jam

**Cold:** Turkey club sandwich with fruit

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