

THE Bulletin



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CLUB OF COLUMBUS

Kiwaniis 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 17, 2017



Ken Schnacke **President & General Manager** **The Columbus Clippers**



Ken Schnacke, President and General manager of the Columbus Clippers is a native of Brecksville, Ohio. He attended Ohio Northern University where he earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. In 1976, he received his Professional Engineer's license in the State of Ohio.

But Ken always had a love for baseball and in 1976 he became the business manager of the Amarillo Gold Sox of the Texas League/AA. In 1977, he landed a position as administrative assistant with the Columbus Clippers and moved onto become director of operations in 1979. Five years later, he became the assistant general manager and was named general manager in 1989. The title of president was added in 2001.

In addition to his duties with the Clippers, Ken serves as the Chairman of the Minor League Baseball Licensing Committee and the Triple-A Marketing Committee. Locally, he serves on the boards of Buckeye Ranch; Champions for Children at Nationwide Children's Hospital; the Columbus Sports Commission; and the Columbus Chamber of Commerce. In addition, he is active in the Columbus Clippers Booster Club; Agonis Club; Home Plate Club; the Ohio State Diamond Club (for OSU baseball); and Charity Newsies. He is currently serving his first term on the Minor League Baseball Board of Trustees.

Ken and his wife, Sandy, have a daughter, Stephanie, and two sons, Kevin and Keith.

Today's Meeting

Greeters:

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

Invocation:

Merri Bame - BDB Communication, LLC

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

A Glance at this week

Birthdays:

04/19 – **Bill Kiefaber**
04/20 – **Kristin Sydney**



Thursday, 04/20 – Division 10-W Council meeting – 6:30 p.m. at Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City.

Sunday, 04/23 – University Kiwanis all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast - 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Tuttle Recreation Center (240 West Oakland Avenue).

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.

*I bought some shoes from a drug dealer.
I don't know what he laced them with,
but I've been tripping all day.*

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.

Why are iPhone chargers not called 'Apple Juice'?

Help defend our title ...

Last year, members of Kiwanis Club of Columbus (plus a few guests), successfully garnered the first-place trophy at New Albany Kiwanis' 3rd annual 'Trivia Night.' Now it is time to defend our title.

The 4th annual 'Trivia Night' is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at New Albany's Church of the Resurrection Ministry Center located at 6300 East Dublin-Granville Road. Cost is \$25 per person and includes fun, food, soda and 3 beer tickets.

Scott Lindsey will serve as captain of our team, although we hope to have more than one team representing our Club. If you are interested in representing our Club and being on a team, you can sign-up via the Activity Calendar on our Club's website, today. Feel free to bring a guest, especially if it is someone with an abundance of trivial knowledge. The deadline to register is April 21, and you will pay your registration fee at the door that evening.



Baseball question: *Why does it take longer to get from second base to third base than it does to get from first base to second base?*

Answer: *Because there is a short stop in between.*

Member ID Photos ...

We are in the process of adding a user-friendly membership directory to the "Members Only" section of our web site. The directory will include basic information about each member including their name, home and work contact information, date joined and a current photo.

All of this information has been uploaded to the directory with the exception of the individual member photos. These are a critical piece of the directory, as they help each of us connect names with faces and vice versa.

Club vice president Jim Shively has photos of those members who have had their photo taken within the last year, but we are still in need of current photos for about 80 of our members. To help address this issue, Jim has offered his services free of charge and to be available before our meeting on Monday, April 24, to take portrait photos. So, dress nicely and bring your very best smile. Let's make sure we get quality photos in our on line membership directory.

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.



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) 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.

*What do you call a dog that does magic tricks?
A labracadabrador.*

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 cleaning and organizing. 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.

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.

*My paper towels went missing,
so I hired a Bounty hunter.*

‘Shred-it’ Day coming soon ...

In today’s world of identity theft and various phone and e-mail scams, we all recognize how important it is to keep sensitive information out of the hands of those who may have sinister intentions ... and we all have sensitive documents such as bank statements, canceled checks, old tax records, etc., that need to be periodically disposed of. That is why the annual ‘Shred-it’ Day, conducted by WCMH-TV4, is such a vital function. People from throughout the greater Columbus area will be bringing boxes of documents that need to be properly disposed of by shredding them, and thereby totally destroying them.



On Saturday, May 13, members and friends of Kiwanis Club of Columbus will again be helping with this vital service. We will staff the drop-off lines to unload cars as they pull up to the Shred-it trucks.

The event will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., and more than 3,000 cars will come through the line. It is a very well-orchestrated process, as we move quickly to unload the cars and get them on their way. We will again be filling three shifts, with 15 volunteers needed per shift. The shifts will run from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; 10:15 to 12:15 p.m.; and 12:15 to 2:45 p.m., respectively.

You can sign up for one or more shifts by using the link on the Activity Calendar of our Club’s website (*open the May 13 date on the calendar and click on the link for the sign up sheet*) or by letting Scott Doellinger know at scott@starconsultants.org.

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand-printed sign ...

**“Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass.
Caution: Do not step in exhaust.”**

Upcoming interclub opportunities ...

04/23 – University Kiwanis all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast – 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – at Tuttle Recreation Center, 240 West Oakland Avenue – tickets are \$5 each.

04/28 – Northern Kiwanis Fish Fry – 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Clintonville Women’s Club located at 3951 North High Street.

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 and follow the step-by-step instructions.
- 2- **Encourage your family members**, friends and co-workers to sign up, as well. Perhaps you may want to put a team together for your family, your neighborhood, your church or business.
- 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. Ask about the details.
- 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. It's a simple process and it will help save lives.
- 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.

*England does not have a kidney bank,
but it does have a Liverpool.*

*I used to work for H&R Block,
but it was too taxing.*

Next meeting

(April 24, 2017)

Program:

Paul Sutter - Center of Science and Industry
(C.O.S.I.) Chief Scientist

Greeters:

Joyce Waters - Johnson Investment Counsel
Char Collister - The Collister Co.

Invocation:

Lynn Coons - Spillman Company

Committee Meetings: None scheduled

Menu Options:

Hot: Wedge salad, pan-seared sirloin with
demi-glacé.

Cold: Chicken salad wrap with coleslaw

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