



**“Lead with Service”**

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



**~~ Joanna Pinkerton ~~**  
**CEO, COTA**

Joanna Pinkerton brings a background rich in mobility, cross-sector collaboration and economic development to her role as president and chief executive officer of the Central Ohio Transit Authority. The regional transit organization with more than 1,000 employees provides services in the Columbus metropolitan area and made 18.7 million passenger bus trips over its 562 square miles of service territory in 2017.

Pinkerton leads COTA at a time of transformation. The region it serves is evolving quickly, as more people move to the greater Columbus area and the physical landscape is being remade. In the past two years, the authority completely redesigned its routes, became a key voice in Smart Columbus initiatives, rolled out its first-ever Bus Rapid Transit line, began offering riders free onboard Wi-Fi, and introduced all-new fareboxes equipped to take mobile payments when they debut in 2018.

Previously, Pinkerton served as chief operations officer at The Ohio State University Center for Automotive Research; as co-director of the Honda-Ohio State Partnership; and most recently was chief operations officer of Transportation Research Center Inc., the nation’s largest independent transportation proving ground. TRC Inc. will be home to the 540-acre Smart Mobility Advanced Research and Test Center for autonomous and connected vehicles.

Prior to joining Ohio State, Pinkerton served as the first person at the Ohio Department of Transportation responsible for targeting transportation investments to support growth in the manufacturing and logistics industries. While at ODOT, she helped establish the Office of Jobs and Commerce to oversee economic outcomes as part of transportation funding. Her

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*Today's Meeting*

**Greeters:**

**Joyce Waters**

**Kathleen Roberts** – Sweetbriar Group LLC

**Invocation:**

**Chad Price** – Abbott Nutrition

**Committee Meetings:** Interclub

**Menu Options:**

**Hot:** Smoked pork loin, with a peach compote.

**Cold:** Chicken salad wrap, with coleslaw.

*A Glance at this week*

**Birthdays**

07/25 – Robert Shenton

07/29 – Jay Schoedinger



**Saturday, 07/28** – 8 a.m. - Columbus Kiwanis 5K and 1-mile stroll – Greenlawn Cemetery.

**Sunday, 07/29** – 1:30 p.m. – Division 10-W family picnic – Amelita Mirolo Barn – 4395 Carriage Hill Lane, Upper Arlington.

## First birthday celebration ...

What could be more fun than a birthday party for a baby's very first birthday? The fact that they have made it through their first year and successfully avoided the many pitfalls and set backs that frequent this tender age, is something very special to celebrate. That is why Community Development for all People will be holding its next quarterly First Birthday Celebration on Saturday, August 18, and members of Kiwanis are invited to take part in -- and help with -- the program.

It will be an outside event from 3 to 5 p.m. in the side parking lot of CD4AP (946 Parsons Avenue). There will be at least one bounce house; a snow cone station; popcorn station; temporary tattoos; Cheerio necklaces; Giant Jenga; and a food station. They typically have 2 volunteers per station. Volunteers are needed at stations to accommodate families who want their kids to be involved. They ask volunteers who are staffing stations to arrive at 2:15 p.m. Volunteers can start working as early as noon and can provide assistance for event set-up, at well. They are happy to have as many volunteers as are willing to help.

If you would like to assist with this fun program, please sign up on our Activity Calendar.

*If I wear cowboy clothing,  
is it considered ranch dressing?*

## Bare necessities drive ...

Clean underwear and socks – items we wear every day, and items we take for granted, because we are fortunate to have what we need, when we need it. But not everyone is as fortunate.

With the 'Bare Necessities Drive,' we are collecting underwear (boxer shorts or briefs in Large, XL and XXL sizes) and socks to help those in need.

We hope you will consider donating one or more new packages of underwear or socks, or to writing a check so that someone can shop on your behalf. Checks should be made out to **Good Neighbors of Central Ohio**.



## Witness first-hand ...

Ohio Business Week, the recipient of one of our Foundation grants, has invited us to witness the impact of our donation first-hand. You are welcome to stop by at any point throughout the week of Monday, July 23 thru Friday July 27, or to attend the VIP luncheon and Tradeshow on Friday July 27th from 12-2 p.m. All events take place at Ohio University in Athens.

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career in transportation investment has included engineering responsibilities in Union County, Ohio, where she supported development and investment projects along the U.S. Route 33 Innovation Corridor, home to many significant automotive and high-tech companies. Joanna is a lifelong resident of Central Ohio. She holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Ohio Northern University and is a professionally licensed engineer in the state of Ohio.

*Damn right I'm good in bed. I can stay there all day.*

## Division 10-W Council Meeting set ...

Our next division council meeting will be Sunday, July 29, at 1:15 p.m., at the Mirolo Barn in Upper Arlington (4395 Carriage Hill Lane). This is an air-conditioned facility with a lot of space – a great place for a summer outing, and one that is conducive to families with kids.

The business meeting will be brief, as this is primarily a social event open to all Kiwanis members and their families. It will be catered by City Barbecue (pulled pork, beef brisket, baked beans, mac & cheese, potato salad, green salad, corn pudding and cookies) at a cost of \$13 per adult; \$10 per child; free for children 5 and under. Attendees will receive multiple attendance credits



Reservations are due in by July 24. You can sign up on line (Activity Calendar) or by contacting **Paul Bohlman**.

*One of my biggest faults is that when I ask someone their name, I forget to listen to what their name is.*

## Play golf with Tiger Woods ...

Yes, you can play a round of golf with Tiger Woods at Delaware Country Club on Tuesday, July 31 ... well, not really, but hopefully it got you to read this article.



Our golf committee has another great outing set up for that day, and while Tiger may only be there in spirit, you can be there in person, to have a relaxing afternoon of fun and fellowship.

The outing is open to all Club members and their guests, but you need to sign up in advance. You can do that from the Activity Calendar on our Club's website, or by contacting **Tom Christman** or **Mike Becker**. Tee times will begin around 1 p.m.

## Trustees approve second round of grants ...

At the July Trustee and Committee Chair meeting, \$42,753 was awarded to seven different organizations based on the recommendations of the Grant Review Committee headed by Bill Kiefaber and Carrie Poel. This included the following two funded by proceeds from our very successful “Coolest Dog Contest”:

1- **Center for Healthy Families** (\$15,000) – To support their program that assigns a Resource Advocate (RA) to pregnant/parenting teens. The RA helps line up agencies for needed services, monitors the services, and works with the teen on an individualized goal plan.

2- **Moms2B** (\$10,000) – To grow their educational enhancement project and the disbursement of reliable up-to-date health information to pregnant women in at-risk neighborhoods.

In addition, from the general community grant budget, the following grants were approved:

1- **Alive in My Heart** (\$5,000) – The funds will be used to provide money (up to \$500) to low-income families suffering from the loss of an infant. The money will be used to purchase food, women’s hygiene products, and other necessities such as paying utility bills.

2- **Good Neighbors of Central Ohio** (\$2,000) – To purchase underwear, socks and jeans for homeless families and individuals living in shelters, temporary housing, camps or on the streets in Franklin County.

3- **Ohio Business Week** (\$2,500) – To support the ‘Creative Construction Competition’ during the Ohio Business Week 2018 program that will impact 175 students. Funds for this grant will come from the general grant budget.

4- **The Hardy Center** (\$4,617) – To support the organization’s programs targeted to youth in grades 5 through 8 in the Linden area. This includes instructors meeting with students twice a week throughout the year in classroom, theatre and recreational settings, as well as an annual youth ‘boot camp’ that promotes good health through physical fitness.

5- **Homeless Families Foundation** (\$3,636 – partial funding). For their capital improvement program to improve and expand their growing operations. Part of the addition will be offices for meetings with expectant mothers.

For this administrative year, we received a total of 82 grant requests totaling \$547,385. We appreciate the hard work of the Grant Review Committee in identifying the most worthy requests and it is clear the needs of our community are far greater than we can currently support.

## Kiwanis Charity 5K and 1-mile stroll ...

On Saturday morning, July 28, we will be conducting our annual Kiwanis Charity 5K and 1-mile stroll. This year’s event will be held at the beautiful and historic Green Cemetery.



Those who run and walk during our Kiwanis Charity 5K will have the opportunity to learn many facts about this historic park and about many of the famous people resting there. As a member of our Club, here’s what you can be doing:

- 1- If you are a runner or walker, sign up to participate. Registrations are now open. You can register on line at our dedicated race website, [www.Columbuscharity5k.org](http://www.Columbuscharity5k.org).
- 2- Get some additional discounts if you register a team. Talk to your friends, co-workers and family members, and encourage them to enter the race under a team name, to receive an additional discount on the entry fee.
- 3- Spread the word to those you know that are runners and walkers – family members, neighbors, co-workers, etc. We all know people who are avid runners or walkers, and most are happy to enter once they are asked. But it starts with “the ask.”

*I just used the self-checkout in Walmart without needing assistance and they made me district manager.*

## Get to Know Kiwanis ...

Our next “Get to Know Kiwanis” session is scheduled for Monday, July 30. It will be held in the same room where we normally hold our Kiwanis meetings, and will begin at 11:30 a.m. The presentation will last about 20 minutes.



This is a great opportunity to invite friends, co-workers, suppliers and other contacts you may have whom you feel would make good members of Kiwanis. The presentation, conducted by Past President **Bob Wiseman**, is designed to provide an overview of ‘who we are and what we do.’

Following the presentation, it is our hope that you will invite your guest to join us for lunch and our regularly scheduled Monday meeting. Please be sure to make a luncheon reservation for your guest and to include their name in the notes section of the reservation form.

## 2018 Kiwanis Charity Regatta prepares to launch a new format ...

When something has been working well for almost 20 years, how would you go about improving it? Easy -- you turn our famous **Kiwanis Charity Regatta** into a cocktail reception (**Libations on the Lawn**), to celebrate our **20th** anniversary of this event. The new format will provide a more relaxed atmosphere, so business and civic leaders can network, socialize and relax before heading home.



Libations on the Lawn will take place on Thursday evening, August 16, in the Park Plaza, located on the east side of the Columbus Metropolitan Library, just west of the Topiary Park. The event will begin at 4:30 p.m., and the Regatta competition will begin at 5:30 p.m.

We are in the process of signing up competitors. Information is available regarding the different participation/sponsorship levels your company, your civic association, your golf buddies, your family or even you as an individual, can sign up for. Each competing racer will receive a wooden yacht to decorate, along with food and drink tickets, the number depending on their level of participation.

The event is open to the public, and we encourage participating groups to bring out their co-workers and friends to help cheer for their yachts. Spectator tickets are \$35 each.

Proceeds from this event go to our **Columbus Kiwanis Foundation**, to help support our extensive scholarship and community grant program. One of the major beneficiaries of the Regatta continues to be the annual 'Summer Reading Challenge' conducted by the Columbus Metropolitan Library. The award-winning program helps children retain their reading skills over the summer months. Over the history of the Regatta, Kiwanis has provided more than \$250,000 to this program, and has impacted more than 1.2 million children.

### Books needed ...

Having the correct books to read is an important element in helping children to learn. Our 'Reading Buddies' program at the Boys & Girls Club of Columbus can always use more books.

If you have some very lightly used children's books you would like to donate, please let us know. Or, if you would like to purchase some books to donate, here are few recommended titles:

Ball by Mary Sullivan; Hug by Jez Alborough; Orange, Pear, Apple, Bear by Emily Gravett; Up, Tall, and High by Ethan Long; Cat the Cat, Who Is That? By Mo Willems; See Me Run by Paul Meisel; What Will Fat Cat Sit On? by Jan Thomas; and Rhyming Dust Bunnies by Jan Thomas.

*I could be 15 or 55 and my mother would still ask me where I was going.*

### Next meeting

(July 30, 2018)

#### Program:

**Joe Nardone** – CEO, Columbus Regional Airport Authority.

#### Greeters:

**Tom Christman** – Ohio Exterminating Company

#### Invocation:

**Kristin Gintz** – WesBanco

**Committee Meetings:** Fifth Monday – Hixson, Zeller and 1916 Society recognition.

#### Menu Options:

**Hot:** Sirloin, with demi glace.

**Cold:** Turkey club, with a bowl of fruit.

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