

# The Bulletin

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus



"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world - one child and one community at a time."

**"Where Ordinary People Provide Extraordinary Service"**



March 15, 2010

## Joe Hallett

### Senior Editor of The Columbus Dispatch

Joe Hallett, senior editor of *The Columbus Dispatch*, joined the newspaper in February 1999 as politics editor after serving three years as chief political writer and Statehouse reporter for *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Prior to then, Hallett spent 15 years with *The Toledo Blade*, 11 as chief of its Columbus bureau.

Hallett, who earned a degree in journalism from Ohio University in 1971, broke into the newspaper business in his hometown of Wauseon, in northwestern Ohio, as editor of the twice-a-week *Fulton County Expositor*. He joined *The Blade* in 1981 and had been the newspaper's City Hall reporter for three years before being transferred to the Statehouse bureau in 1985.



As senior editor for *The Dispatch*, Hallett has the freedom to roam in search of interesting stories, but still focuses much of his reporting on politics and public policy. Along with continuing to serve as *The Dispatch's* chief political writer, Hallett plans and coordinates the paper's political coverage at all levels. He led *The Dispatch's* coverage of the 2000, 2004 and 2008 presidential campaigns, including the Republican and Democratic conventions, and covered the recount in Florida in 2000. He has covered presidential conventions since 1976, and Ohio governor races since 1986.

In September 2000, Hallett was selected one of America's eight best political reporters by *Brill's Content*, a national magazine reporting on the news media. Others on the list included David Broder of *The Washington Post*, Richard Berke of *The New York Times*, and Ronald Brownstein of *The Los Angeles Times*.

Along with covering all levels of American government and politics, Hallett has filed stories from China, South Korea, Taiwan, Australia, Central America and Eastern Europe. He also went to Kuwait and Iraq in March 2004 to cover Ohio troops. *The Dispatch* nominated Hallett for a Pulitzer Prize for his coverage in June 2004 of devastating mudslides, poverty and political turmoil in Haiti. He has won numerous journalistic awards.

Hallett and his wife, Marie, live in Westerville, and have a daughter, Maggie.



Thank you **Dick Tice**  
and **Larry Walters**  
for greeting us today.



Thank you  
**Larry Walters**  
for providing today's invocation.

### Scheduled Committee Meetings

#### March 15

Attendance & Retention  
Membership  
Music & Arts  
Wills & Legacy  
Young Children Priority  
One

#### March 22

Boast  
Boost  
Career Guidance  
Public Affairs  
Service Leadership Program

## Today's Menu: House Salad, Roasted Sirloin

### President's Corner ...



On Friday, February 26, our Kiwanis Club sponsored the annual Entrepreneurial Challenge at Columbus State. **Brad Fisher**, Chair of the Business and Public Affairs committee, worked effectively with **Chad Endsley**, who did an outstanding job as chair of the Entrepreneurial Challenge. About 150 students from Columbus Public Schools, and a few suburban schools, attended. Our advisors helped each team decide on a product to produce and market. **Phil Beltz** advised the winning team and reported (below) some of the amazing results our young adults achieved.

"In our winning Group # 1, there was an outstanding young man, Andy Nocar, from Grandview Heights. His "THERMA-CUP," a portable, rechargeable, battery-heated coffee cup illustrates the brilliance and innovativeness that can come from a two-hour effort with high school youth.

Andy, from the beginning, was most eager to participate. He instantly volunteered for the finance-treasurer job.

Turning to product ideas, he recited Pawan Murthy's three categories of businesses, arguing that we need to use that structure to help us develop ideas which were those problems with a solution, those problems with no solution, and those unknown problems.

Andy heard an adult mention his frustration of being stuck with a cold cup of coffee, especially when he was involved in an outdoor activity. Andy instantly saw the "problem" and the worth of a "solution," i.e., the fifth idea. He summarized it to the group and brilliantly "sold the concept" so much so that the group felt no need to review the other ideas further. They immediately 'went for it.'

The students divided themselves into two committees. The Engineering/Manufacturing committee had Andy, obviously, in charge. The Marketing/Sales guy was the leadoff fellow that, early in Group # 1's presentation, expressed his frustration with a cold cup of coffee and dramatically threw the (empty) cup on the floor.

Back to engineering/manufacturing. The four on this committee functioned well together. Andy understands

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### Calendar of Events

03/20 – Division 10-W Prayer Breakfast

03/24 – Manna Café – Serving the homeless

04/23 – Columbus Kiwanis Auction

### Auction items still coming in ...

This is an exciting time of the year as we prepare for our annual auction event, scheduled for Friday, April 23. The date should already be on your calendar and we hope you and a guest(s) are planning to attend.

This year's array of auction items is really exciting. Here is a sampling of some of the items we already have in:

*Two OSU Football tickets for a 2010 home game of choice.*

*Two Air Tran tickets, up to \$500.00 each, to anywhere Airtran Flies.*

*A round of golf for 4 at Brookside Golf and Country Club – includes two carts, expires 9/30/2010 and is a \$360 value.*

*A private "in-home" wine tasting event for 8-10 guests preformed by House Wine of Worthington staff.*

*One men's tie and a gift certificate for 2 custom made men's shirts from Richard Bennet Custom Clothiers in the Short North worth \$365 total.*

*One night's complimentary stay in a standard room on a weekend night at the Columbus, a Renaissance Hotel and Breakfast for two (2) in Latitude (not to exceed \$40 for both guests. Total value is \$182.00 Called the 'Stay for Breakfast' Package, it expires October 23, 2010.*

*18kt Yellow Gold and Sterling Silver Samuel B Collection Pendant and Earrings with Pave Diamonds from Alexander's Jewelers*

*Three (3) night's stay at Savannah Beach Condo located at #21A Lighthouse Point, 85 Van Horne Street, Tybee Island, Georgia*

*Three separate framed glass sculptures, each worth \$125 from Art & Home.*

*Two \$25 gift cards for the Cheesecake Factory – Polaris Fashion Place*

*Two \$15 gift cards for First Watch*

For a complete list of items received so far, check out our website. Click on the "Major Events" tab and then the "click here" words toward the bottom of the article.

## Start counting ...

Throw enough numbers at people and eventually they become irrelevant and meaningless. We become de-sensitized and we fail to comprehend just how big certain numbers are.

Take one trillion - we casually hear this number in the background almost each and every day. Ho hum ... a trillion. Hey, what's the big deal?



Let's just say you had to count out one trillion dollars, with all of the money being in one-hundred-dollar bills. And lets say you are counting the hundreds at a steady rate of four every three seconds, never stopping to take a break ... that's four one-hundred dollar bills every three seconds. That's a pretty quick pace, but one that could be sustained for quite a while. How long would it take?

If you guessed approximately 7,900 years, you would be correct. If you are still looking for a calculator that can handle all of the zeros in a trillion, good luck.

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Remember the rule, "i" before "e" except after "c."  
What a weird society...

If it's true that we are here to help others,  
then what exactly are the others here for?

## Division 10-W Prayer Breakfast ...

The annual Division 10-W Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 20 at Glenwood United Methodist Church in Grove City. This year the event will begin with the prayer service at 9 a.m., followed by the memorial service, honoring those Kiwanians we have lost this past 12 months. The morning will be completed with the serving of brunch.



The breakfast menu and cost is still being finalized, but should be in the \$8-\$9 range. Hopefully our Club will have a strong representation and enough people to earn an inter club credit.

Reservations are due in to Secretary **Paul Bohlman** by Monday, **March 15**. Upon making your reservation, you will be billed.

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technical issues and probably has an outstanding high school science project.

Given the opportunity to speak from the podium, in two minutes, he can describe the problem, present the solution concept, describe how it works, etc." Thanks Phil, for spending the time to let us know about that outstanding team.

Our Kiwanis team probably got as much out of this year's program as did our entrepreneurial students.

## Save the date ...

The next WCMH-TV 4 'Shred It Day' will be held on Saturday, May 1 and it will once again be held at the Schottenstein Center on the Ohio State campus.

We will need to fill two shifts (10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.) with ten or more volunteers in each shift. Volunteers can include Kiwanians, family members, Service Leadership Program members, etc. Stay tuned for more info on how to sign up.



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Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do, write to them? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen can look for them while they deliver the mail?

## Becker elected ...

Kiwanian **Mike Becker**, Attorney with Becker & Lilly, LLC, has accepted the position of 2010 Board Chair of the Better Business Bureau serving Central Ohio.

BBB of Central Ohio was established in 1921 and serves Columbus and 21 surrounding counties as a leader in advancing marketplace trust by encouraging best practices, celebrating role models, and denouncing substandard behavior. BBB sees trust as a function of respect, ethics, intent, delivering results and addressing concerns. Businesses and charities that earn BBB accreditation have agreed to live up to its high standards and principles for trust. BBBs provide free and easily accessible Reliability Reports on businesses, Wise Giving Reports on charities, educational information, objective advice and dispute resolution of marketplace complaints. The first BBB was founded in 1912, and today a network of 128 local BBBs serves communities across the U.S. and Canada, evaluating and monitoring more than 3 million businesses and charities. Please visit [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org) for more information about BBB.



Congratulations, Mike, and best of luck as you tackle the many challenges of this demanding position.

## Congratulations, Nikki ...

Congratulations to **Nikki Thomas** as she begins her new career as an Account Executive/PR Specialist at ELEVATE thinking.

Nikki has previously served as a Learning For Life Executive with the Boy Scouts of America and as Development Coordinator at Ohio Business Week. She is a graduate of Capital University and has been a member of our Club since August 2008. She is currently serving as co-chair of the Columbus Kiwanis College Fair Committee.

## Grové Financial Group named again ...

Willie Grové and the Grové Financial Group have been listed by *Barron's* magazine as one of Ohio's top consultants. *Barron's* published their annual listing of top consultants in the USA by state. The Grové Financial Group was listed as number 13 in Ohio for 2010. They were listed last year as well, and in 2005 they were listed by *Barron's* as one of the top 100 in the country. Congratulations to Willie and his team!



## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

03/21 – Perry Fisher

## Help serve the homeless ...

The Homeless Committee has set up another opportunity for our Club members to help serve the homeless. On Wednesday, March 24, we will be preparing and serving dinner for upwards of 300 people at the Manna Café.

Two shifts of volunteers are needed, with four volunteers for each shift. The first will help prepare and serve the food (4:30 to 7:30 p.m.) and the second will help serve the food and clean up (5:30 to 8:30 p.m.)

For more details and to sign up, please contact Candace Novak @ [candace81874@yahoo.com](mailto:candace81874@yahoo.com) or 614-327-7527.

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