

# 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 29, 2010

## Dr. Richard Wing

Senior Minister, First Community Church



Dr. Wing is a gifted preacher, administrator, mentor and teacher. He believes in parish ministry as the "place where theological thought joins with willing hearts to meet the terrible brokenness that our headlines parade in front of us daily in the newspaper and hourly on CNN." He has echoed the words of Thomas Merton, who said that God is revealed to us "in scripture, inside ourselves and in the face of the stranger." Dr. Wing insists that the church is still the best place to unpack and reflect on those encounters. He is in demand as a keynote speaker. In 1986, he was selected by Dr. Scott Peck to be one of the original 18 Community Building Workshop Leaders throughout the United States. Dr. Wing has training in Youth Effectiveness and Stephen Ministry.

In March 1996, he was inducted into the Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia and preached in the chapel in 1997. Dr. Wing was the keynote speaker at the Epworth Community in Ludington, Michigan in July of 2000. He was Preacher of the Week at the Lakeside (OH) Chautauqua in August 2000 and Chaplain of the Week at the Chautauqua Institution (NY) in July 2002. In March 2001, he had a sermon distributed through the Walter Scott Society Library of Preachers and has preached as part of the "Great Preachers Come to Sebring" series. He also appeared on the Chicago Sunday Evening Club's *Thirty Good Minutes*.

Dr. Wing is the host and preacher for *First Edition*, a weekly Sunday morning program on the ABC affiliate, WSYX-TV. The program is viewed by about 90,000 people weekly in a three-state area. Recent sermons can be viewed by going to [www.fcchurch.com](http://www.fcchurch.com). Select Multimedia from the menu on the left and then select *First Edition Telecasts*. Additional sermons can be heard by selecting *Sermon Audio Center* and then *Sermon Audio Headquarters*.

Shortly before his death in 2005, Dr. Scott Peck asked Dr. Wing and First Community Church to collaborate with him on the development of a program that came to be called *Faith and American Politics*. Five hundred church members piloted the

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Thank you **Leslie Huntington**  
and **Milan Jovanovich**  
for greeting us today.



Thank you  
**Kathleen Roberts**  
for providing today's invocation.

### Scheduled Committee Meetings

#### March 29

*Fifth Monday*

Hixson Fellows and  
1916 Society  
Recognition

#### April 5

Environment & Agriculture  
Golf  
Interclub  
Reception/Invocation  
Scholarship  
Youth Opp. & Citizenship

## Today's Menu: House Salad, Meat Loaf and Mashed Potatoes



### President's Corner ...

March 27 through April 4 is a time of religious reflection, for Passover in the Jewish tradition and for Easter in the Christian tradition.

A well-known favorite actor of mine, Denzel Washington, wrote a book entitled, *A Hand to Guide Me*, which includes inspiring personal stories of people who remembered those who shaped their lives. Denzel is the national spokesperson for Boys and Girls Clubs of America, an organization that our Kiwanis Club of Columbus volunteers and partners with in order to help the kids who come there after school and where they also find mentors who shape their lives. Denzel Washington has dedicated the proceeds from his book to this organization. He thinks that the foundation for a person's success is a parent, a teacher, a coach or a role model.

When our volunteers were at the Boys and Girls Club during the Valentine's week and helping the kids make Valentines, it was interesting to see for whom they were making their Valentines. These are probably the people who most influence their lives. For Denzel Washington, he says it all starts somewhere, but for him it starts with God. "It's why I'm here—by the grace of God," he said.

Rev. Jim Long of First Community Church says, "Ordinary people accomplishing extraordinary things" ...suggests that we're all extraordinary in our own way, and it is what we do with our extraordinariness that sets us apart and makes all the difference.

So, our Club motto for this year is, "Ordinary people providing extraordinary service," but it needs to go further than that motto and say, "We are all extraordinary and we need to use that extraordinariness to be that foundation for one person's success as we help the children of our community."

### Calendar of Events

4/10 – Kiwanis One Day at the Boys & Girls Club

4/23 – Kiwanis Auction at the Loft

5/01 – Shred-It Day at the Schottenstein Center

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course as a Lenten study, and in the fall of 2006 leaders were trained in selected churches around the country. Dr. Wing's travels include work camps for the poor in Mexico and Jamaica; tours of Europe, Israel, India (where First Community Church has a major mission project), a speaking tour of South Korea, and extensive travel throughout the United States. His 2002 sabbatical took him to Spain, Portugal, Tahiti and Australia. In 2006, he helped launch a facility for children orphaned by AIDS in Kenya.

Dr. Wing and his wife, Shirley Evans Wing, were married in 1982, each bringing three children into the marriage: Stephanie Evans, Rich Wing, Debbie Evans, Jon Wing, Kimberly Evans, and Bria Wing. He is a member of Upper Arlington Rotary and enjoys tennis and playing electric violin.

### Club by-law change to be voted on ...

Our Club by-laws require a two-week written notice of any changes to the by-laws, so we are announcing that the membership will be voting on a proposed change to the by-laws at the Monday, April 14 meeting.



The essence of the by-law change is to create a new category of membership called "**Non-resident special active.**" It allows for individuals moving outside of Central Ohio to maintain their membership at a reduced rate if they wish to, and if the Trustees approve.

The thinking behind this by-law change is that it enables individuals such as Past President **Cris Gillespie**, who has moved to South Carolina and past Trustee **Larry Icenogle**, who has moved to Oklahoma, to retain their active membership, even though it is physically impractical for them to attend meetings and events. The reduced rate in their dues reflects their inability to participate, to any large extent, despite their desire to do so.

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## Plans are set for “Kiwaniis One Day” ...

Kiwaniis members work in their communities all year long. But for one day in April each year, the entire Kiwanis family – Kiwanis Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, Aktion Club and Kiwanis clubs - comes together for a day of hands-on community service that is felt around the world.



It's called “**Kiwaniis One Day**” - and the more hands we have helping, the more lives we will touch. Any project, big or small, is worth tackling. Projects include anything from building playgrounds to volunteering at a shelter to stocking shelves at a food pantry.

Vice President **Jamie Richardson** and **Tom Hayden** are heading up our Club's involvement in this worldwide event. As we "spring into spring," we are very excited to share the opportunity we have to partner with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbus with some 'hands-on' projects, certain to help make a difference in the lives of the kids who belong to the club! Activities that day will fall into one of four broad areas:

1. Gardening / outdoor landscaping, sweeping, weeding, mulching, general pickup. (weather permitting)
2. Locker room spruce-up.
3. Kitchen clean-up.
4. Paint / decorate ceiling tiles with fun designs.

Our Kiwanis One Day event will take place on **Saturday, April 10, from 9 a.m. -1 p.m.** at the Boys & Girls Club location at **115 South Gift Street in Columbus**. Bring the whole family - kids of all ages are welcome to lend a hand. Our hope is to have a total of 50 volunteers and we're hoping you can join us!

If you are interested in participating, please contact **Jamie Richardson** at [richart@whitecastle.com](mailto:richart@whitecastle.com) no later than Friday, March 26. This will give the Boys & Girls Club sufficient time to develop the appropriate work teams and gather the necessary supplies. You will be notified as to what type of job you will be working on so that you can wear the appropriate clothing and bring any tools or equipment you think will be helpful.

Participation in this event will not only earn you an attendance credit, but a service credit as you continue to work toward earning your Distinguished Member status. So why not sign up today to be part of this worldwide, unified day of service?

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## ‘Kroger Cares’ re-enrollment required ...

For the past year, we have been participating in the Kroger Cares program whereby Kroger automatically tracks our member purchases each time we swipe our Kroger Plus Card. Then, based on the total dollar purchases of our members (as it compares to the total dollar purchases of other participating groups), we receive a percentage of their predetermined charitable giving. Through this program, we have been receiving approximately \$225-\$250 each quarter. “Thank you” to those who have been participating.



Kroger is requiring all existing participants, as well as any newcomers, to enroll or re-enroll in their program for their new year beginning April 1. To enroll or to re-enroll, simply go to their website at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com), click on “Ohio” to sign up for a Kroger.com account or click on “Already enrolled? Sign In” if you already have an account. All participants must have a valid on-line account at Kroger.com to participate.

This is an easy fundraiser for us since we all need to grocery shop. Whether you are a frequent or occasional shopper at Kroger, we encourage you to sign up. Once signed up, there is nothing more for you to do other than shop and swipe your Kroger Plus card.

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## Pre-pay for lunch and save ...

There's no question we get an excellent value for our luncheon dollar each Monday at the Athletic Club of Columbus. But there is a way you can increase that value, while saving yourself some hassles at the same time.

By pre-paying for lunch one quarter (three months) at a time, you actually save \$1 per week. The second quarter of the year will start with our April 5 meeting and will include a total of twelve meals (no meeting on Memorial Day). By pre-paying, you no longer have to worry about bringing cash to the meeting, or wait in line to get change.



To sign-up for the pre-pay program, you must pay \$120 by April 5. Simply give your check, made out to Kiwanis Club of Columbus, to Secretary **Paul Bohlman**. That is a total savings of \$12 ... a little more than one free lunch!

## Pancakes anyone?

Come join the University Kiwanis Club for their annual all-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage breakfast! The event will be held on Sunday, April 18, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the



Wellington Elementary School (Reed Road entrance).

Admission is \$5 at the door and children under 3 are free. So bring the entire family! Please make sure you check in at the door as a member of Kiwanis Club of Columbus and notify Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** that you attended so that he may give you the proper attendance credits(s).

## Sydney quoted ...

Past President **Kristen Sydney**, a wealth advisor with Sagemark Consulting here in Columbus, was quoted in the March 19<sup>th</sup> issue of *Columbus Business First*. The article was discussing the way in which estate laws have impacted medical choices. She stated that "the 94-year-old estate tax brings in \$25 million a year, revenue that is badly needed."



The elimination of the tax has put some families in a predicament when they considered life vs. death in 2009 vs. 2010. But experts say if the tax is made retroactive, time of death could be just a formality.

Besides the potential perverse impacts of estate tax, survivors face paperwork puzzles and must file the IRS Estate Tax Form 706 within nine months.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



03/29 – Dick Tice  
03/31 – Robert Smith  
04/01 – John Hollback  
04/02 – John Gambaiani  
04/03 – Lis Spaine

## Check out the auction items ...

Our annual Kiwanis Auction (Friday, April 23) is fast approaching and you will want to check out the wide variety of exciting items the committee has secured. Go to [www.columbuskiwanis.org](http://www.columbuskiwanis.org) and click on the "Major Events" tab. From there, read through the article and click on the link for the complete list of items received so far.

And don't forget to reserve your space early. We have sold a number of corporate tables and the remaining spaces will go fast.

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