

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."

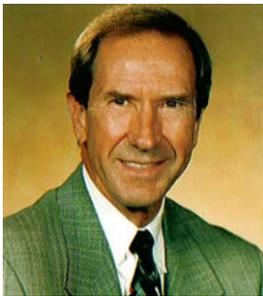
"Where Ordinary People Provide Extraordinary Service"

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



April 26, 2010

Dr. Leslie A. Bostic **Community Relations Consultant** **The Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow**



Dr. Leslie A. Bostic served for 40 consecutive years as the founding Executive Director of The Buckeye Ranch. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Social Work degree from the Richmond Professional Institute of the College of William and Mary, as well as a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University. He is a former prison guard, probation officer and clinical social worker. Les is the father of two children, Lisa of Washington D.C. and Jeff of Seattle. He has three granddaughters.

Starting with a dream, Dr. Bostic created a model residential campus with a nationally respected program for the care and treatment of emotionally, behaviorally and mentally disturbed children and adolescents. Following his retirement in 2000, Les formed Making Connections, a non-profit corporation to continue opening doors of opportunity for disadvantaged children.

It is no small measure of pride that the Ranch has been able to raise private funds to build a truly outstanding campus and double the landmass from 75 acres to approximately 150 acres without creating debt or obtaining a single line of credit. During the final years of his leadership, Les raised nearly \$4 million to fully fund the construction of the Kroger Equestrian Therapy Center and the Mary Dunn Administration Center. In a major restructuring of the Ranch, in 1977 Les was appointed President and CEO of both a new holding company and the Buckeye Ranch Foundation, where he assumed a leading role in establishing a 50-member Board of Directors.

From 2004 through 2006, Les served as City Administrator for the city of Grove City.

Dr. Bostic has assumed a leadership role on numerous boards and commissions throughout his career. He served as a Director of State Savings bank for 25 years and as a member of The Ohio State University Student Loan Foundation, serving as

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Thank you **George Ruff**
and **David Korody**
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Roy Smoot
for providing today's invocation.

Scheduled Committee Meetings

April 26

Boast
Boost
Career Guidance
Public Affairs
Regatta
Serv. Leadership Prog.

May 3

Environment & Agri.
Golf
Interclub
Reception/Invocation
Scholarship Youth
Opportunity & Citizen.

President's Corner



'Keys to a great guest experience'

As we have our members bring guests, it is critical that each individual has a great experience. Despite the challenging economy this past year, we have a number of new members. So we need to have a continuum of great experiences for all of our guests through membership and beyond.

It starts with guests being welcomed by everyone at his or her table. And if they happen to have any relationship with a member of the Club, the member bringing the guest should warmly embrace that relationship. Everyone feels a little out of place when coming into a new experience, so making that guest feel at home is crucial.

Then, of course, the member must follow up to answer questions and to help the guest become engaged with the Club, like inviting them to the 'Third Thursday' socials and our great service projects. I try to send each guest a welcome message and an offer to provide any information. I copy **Kathleen Roberts**, membership chair, so the guest can be put on our follow-up list.

Once the guest becomes a member, **Dave Fenner** assimilates them and lets them choose in which committees they may be involved. The committee chair must follow up on any new member leads that Dave forwards to them. This year we have implemented a "mentoring" program, so Dave also assigns the new member a mentor. (As an aside, we need more members to be mentors—we are getting close to assigning all of the ones who originally signed up to mentor.) So again the new member has someone other than their sponsor to get them engaged.

And thanks to past president **Scott Lindsey**, we now have recognition of members when they have been a member for a year. That process has just recently been implemented.

So we have a team responsible for great Monday luncheon speakers, and a team for membership. But the crucial thing is for all our members to make our guests, and even our new members really feel like they are a part of something bigger than themselves and are a really unique and 'welcome' person.

Thanks for all you do to make this a smooth and effective process.

Calendar of Events

4/23 – Kiwanis Auction at the Loft at Smith Hardware

5/01 – 'Shred It' Day at the Schott

5/15 – International President Breakfast meeting

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President in 1998. He is the recipient of numerous community awards including being named a Paul Harris Fellow in 2000 by Rotary International. In 2003, he was selected for Knighthood in the Sovereign Order of Knights Hospitaller of St. John of Jerusalem.

Currently, Dr. Bostic serves as a community relations consultant for the Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow (ECOT), a home-based e-school which serves more than 9,000 school-aged children throughout Ohio. Additionally, Les is the 2009-10 President of the USO of Central Ohio and serves as a member of the Armed Forces Relations Council of Central Ohio.

Les Bostic is truly an individual who has genuine love for mankind. He has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the field of child and mental health service and to public service. All who know him agree that he is a visionary who, rather than rest on his past achievements, continues to lead and motivate others for the greater good of society.

Manna Café Service Project

For the past several years, our Club has been supporting the Manna Café by purchasing food, helping to prepare it and serving several hundred homeless individuals who come to the Manna Café for a good hot meal.

Our next event is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5. We need a total of ten volunteers - four to arrive for prep work at 4:30 p.m. and six to arrive at 5:30 to help with serving and clean-up. There are other regular volunteers there to give direction and help us know what to do and when. All you really need to do is show up prepared to work and to get a heartwarming experience.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Laura Donahue at jmlkdonahue@gmail.com to sign up and get additional details.

Come to the fish fry ...

The Kiwanis Club of Northern Columbus will be hosting their annual fish fry, on Friday, April 30 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person, with children under 12 eating for \$5. The event will be held at the Little Bear Golf Club located at 1940 Little Bear Loop in Lewis Center (740-548-8532). The event will include door prizes, so plan to attend. If we have four or more we will receive credit for an interclub.



Did you know?

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:



Spades - King David

Hearts - Charlemagne

Clubs - Alexander the Great

Diamonds - Julius Caesar



Kiwanis International Convention ...

Plan now to attend the 95th Annual Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas, June 24-27. Former U. S. Secretary of State Colin Powell will be the opening session speaker. In addition to Jay Leno, who has been booked for entertainment, a ticketed event includes a Kiwanis Breakfast with Jerry Mathers, known to most as "Beaver Cleaver" on television's "Leave It To Beaver" series. All events will be in The Convention Center. You can go to www.KiwanisOne.org/convention to register on-line.

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Highlights of the April 13, 2010 Trustee meeting ...

Financial reports of the Club and the Foundation were approved and accepted. Trustees approved an outline for a five-year strategic planning process to begin. A committee will be appointed to begin in the fall and end by spring 2011.

Three new members were accepted:

- 1- **Jeremy Waterfall**, President of MJW Graphics
- 2- **Jocelyn Krosky**, Design Group Architectural firm
- 3- **Richard Lum**, political consultant

May is Kiwanis International Membership Month. We will celebrate it from May 10 through June 6. The membership committee has developed a one-page sheet that answers frequently asked questions about Kiwanis and our Club. It is available on our website and will be available at Monday meetings.

Shred-it Day, scheduled for Saturday, May 1, is still in need of volunteers, especially the 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. shift.

Jade Metcalf is working to start a Key Club at the Columbus Boys and Girls Club. He has a small interest group to work with.

Nineteen students have applied for Kiwanis scholarships this year. Judging is being done and winners will be announced in May.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of partnering with an organization to build a Habitat for Humanity house. If you know of an organization that might need manpower assistance, please let us know.

The Trustees authorized the following Foundation expenditures:

- 1- **Environment and Agriculture Committee** - \$250 for a kiosk at the community garden managed by Southeast Inc.
- 2- **Music & Arts Committee** - \$875 for Children's Chorus Foundation to start a middle school honors string ensemble.
- 3- **International Relations Committee** - \$100 to invite 11 Asian visitors from the International Visitors Council to a Monday Kiwanis luncheon.
- 4- **Homeless Committee** - \$350 for Manna Café
- 5- **Special Projects** - \$5,000 for a new roof for the Boys and Girls Club.

An easy lesson in history ...

As we drive through small towns throughout our great land, you can't help but notice the statues of war heroes erected in many town squares. But do you know how to identify what they mean? Here's a quick lesson:



- If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.
- If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of wounds received in battle.
- If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes

Dear Charlotte and Jamie,

Thank you so much for coordinating a fabulous Kiwanis One Day this past Saturday, April 10. I'm sorry that I wasn't able to be there myself, but I was thrilled to see how much you accomplished during your day here. The kitchen has never been cleaner, we have volunteers coming in next week to plant in the vegetable garden, and the boys will be able to use the locker room to change for karate class for the first time. Your hard work and commitment to our members has certainly made the Club a safer and more positive environment for programming.

I also want to thank Kiwanis for committing such a generous grant to repair our roof. Combined with funds from The Osteopathic Heritage Foundations, this donation will enable BGCC to replace the Westside roof without diverting funds away from our programming. The Westside Club Building was constructed in the 1870's and as such requires careful maintenance and care. Thank you for such a generous and unexpected contribution towards this cause.

I look forward to furthering the relationship between our organizations as I believe it provides a valuable service to the children we serve. Thank you for your dedication to the community and to our Clubs.

Best regards,
Rebecca Asmo
Executive Director

Have you noticed since everyone has a camera phone these days, no one talks about seeing UFOs like they used to?

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



04/27 - Natalie Coles
04/27 - Richard Murphey
04/29 - Brian Seitz
05/01 - Joe Neff
05/02 - Nicole Knowlton

The King of Assyria was broke after years of war. His last great possession was the Star of the Euphrates, the most valuable diamond in the ancient world.



Desperate, he went to the pawnbroker.

The pawnbroker looked at the diamond and said "I'll give you 100,000 dinars."

"But I paid a million dinars," the King protested. "Don't you know who I am? I am the King!"

The reply, "When you wish to pawn a Star, makes no difference who you are."

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