

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

"Where serving the Children of the World is our Mission & Passion"

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



May 23, 2011

Clarence Mingo Franklin County Auditor



Auditor Clarence Mingo's life and career have been about service to his country and his community. A veteran of the United States Army, Clarence answered the call of service and served honorably with the coalition forces that liberated Kuwait during the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

Upon his return, Clarence attended The Ohio State University where he earned his undergraduate and law degrees in a little more than five years. Clarence then re-focused his commitment to service to his community as an attorney in private practice, helping to protect those citizens most in need. Franklin County courts frequently appointed Clarence to serve as a Guardian ad Litem (child advocate), representing the interests of children in abuse, neglect and divorce cases.

He also serviced the Legal Aid Society of Columbus' Neighborhood Service's project. In this capacity, Clarence was one of three attorneys who represented indigent county residents with legal issues involving housing, public benefits, bankruptcy, expungements, civil protective orders and custody matters. He also fought for funding in an effort to expand and further develop the project's reach and influence on the indigent population in Franklin County.

In 2007, the late Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, Thomas J. Moyer, appointed Clarence as a commissioner in the Ohio Court of Claims. Clarence served as one of seven commissioners with statewide appellate jurisdiction in victims of crime cases.

In 2009, Clarence was appointed as Franklin County Auditor. In 2010, Franklin County voters awarded Clarence a full four-year term. As Auditor, Clarence ensures that Franklin County residents are offered the best public service in fiscal, real estate and consumer protection. He understands the importance of maintaining a modern office with capable staff and the

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Kristin Gintz** – WesBanco Bank  
**Cindy Sturni** – United Way of Central Ohio

**Invocation:** **Roy Smoot** - PNC

**Committee meetings:** Young Children Priority One

**Menu:** **House Salad, Chicken Piccata**

**New Member induction:** **Jack Baron**

**Presentations:** Distinguished Club Award, Distinguished Member pins, Service Star certificates and pins, Children's Hunger Alliance check

### Next two weeks at a Glance

**Birthdays:**

05/25 – **Jim Skidmore**

06/01 – **Susan Black**

06/01 – **Joyce Bourgalt**

06/03 – **Alan Weiler**

06/04 – **Karen Hockstad**

06/04 – **Richard Rogovin**



**Monday** – 05/30 – Memorial Day - thanks to all of our vets!  
(no Kiwanis luncheon)

## President's Corner



Calling all members, calling all members; June 6<sup>th</sup> is going to be a huge day for our Club! I have a personal request and a date I would ask that you put on your calendar. Monday, June 6, will be a day to remember for our Club. I want the Kiwanis Club of Columbus to show off

for any and all candidates you want to introduce to our Club for membership. This meeting will show our Club in all of its glory.

It will be far from the normal Monday meeting for two very good reasons. First, the Scholarship Committee will be presenting their annual scholarship awards to this year's winning students. The students will be there with their families and it will be an awesome experience for all of them and our members.

This is what we do as Kiwanians, and why we work so hard in our fundraising and service activities. Our scholarship program will make an immense positive difference in the students' lives as they go onto college to work toward their higher education goals, all the while remembering the Kiwanis Club of Columbus as a positive influence and difference maker in their lives.

Our June 6 speaker will be Ohio State football coach Jim Tressel. This should be a very interesting and a well-attended meeting, as he always draws a big crowd. Reservations for this meeting will be mandatory. Please see the accompanying article to learn more about the details.

When these two major events were discovered in potential conflict at the May 10 trustee meeting, there was a long discussion as to the best way to handle it. The choices were to either "Go big or go home." To go home would have meant rescheduling the scholarship awards to another date, but that was deemed unacceptable. Obviously, we are going BIG by doing both, and we need your help.

We have reserved the room adjacent to our usual 2<sup>nd</sup> floor ballroom, in anticipation of an overflow crowd. Assuming we need the space, the dining room will take on an "L" shape, with the stage and dais located in the corner and thus able to address both areas. There should be plenty of available seating for guests, but you will need to reserve a seat and meal for them.

Our Club will also try to use this as a "Public Relations" opportunity to inform the community of our good works. This should be a great meeting, and I would request that you, our membership, focus on this day. Our Club is a tad behind on our membership goal and this is a real opportunity to add new members to our Club and close

that gap. No, I stand corrected, it is a great opportunity to blow our goal out of the water. I appreciate your help and look forward to a great meeting on June 6.

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latest technology to complement their effort. Clarence is committed to seeking new and innovative ways to expand the services of the Auditor's office to each resident of Franklin County. A strong fiscal conservative, Clarence will look for ways to streamline county government and always put the interests of taxpayers first.

Clarence and his wife Angela married in 1992. They are the proud parents of Annalise (age 5) and Ava (age 4) Mingo. The family resides in New Albany, Ohio and look forward to greater opportunities for service.

### Reservations needed ...

On June 6, our speaker will be Ohio State head coach Jim Tressel. We expect a significant crowd and want to make sure that we can properly accommodate everyone. Consequently, we will be requiring reservations and have instituted a new pricing system that will encourage that.

For this meeting, members who make reservations for lunch by Thursday, June 2, will pay our normal luncheon price of \$11 per person (\$3 for no-lunch). Guests with a reservation will be charged \$15 per person, and people with no reservation (members and guests) will be charged \$25 per person, space permitting.

Reservations can be made by e-mailing or calling Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** on or before June 2. There is no limit on how many guests you can bring; just be sure to give us their names when you make their reservation.

**Remember: No meeting next week,  
in observance of Memorial Day.**

**Never put both feet in your mouth  
at the same time, because then  
you won't have a leg  
to stand on.**

## Key Club at Boys & Girls Club Columbus is active and involved ...

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus is proud to sponsor a Key Club at the Boys & Girls Club Columbus. Under the direction of Kiwanian Jade Metcalf, the club has been getting involved.

On Sunday, May 1, nine Key Club members and their advisor, Warren Jones, committed to participating in the March of Dimes Walk for Healthy Babies. The dedicated Key Club members rose early on Sunday morning to join



1,000 other walkers and to trek five miles in order to raise money to help prevent premature births. The Key Club chose "M.A.R.S." for their team name (My Attitude Reflects Success) and collected \$85 in donations for their efforts.



Then on Saturday, May 7, ten members of the Club joined a group of Kiwanians to help unload cars at 'Shred-it' Day. This was a great opportunity for both the key Club members and the Kiwanis members as we worked side-by-side with them for several hours.

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## Quadruple your donation ...

Several weeks ago, we heard a presentation from a member of the Columbus Fire Department requesting that we support the Kiwanis First Lady's project of purchasing a number of Pedi-Mate cot mounted child restraints for transporting children in ambulances. Each of these units costs \$195 and money donated will be matched by the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation.



The Trustees approved matching your gift prior to its going to the Ohio District Foundation. Therefore, your donation will be matched twice, essentially quadrupling the amount. So for example, if you were to donate \$100, the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation would match it with \$100 and send it along to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, who would then match the \$200. Thus, your \$100 donation would become \$400, enabling them to purchase two Pedi-mate units for the Columbus Fire Department. Our understanding is that they need a total of 44 units. Therefore, if our members contribute a total of \$2,145, our Club will have facilitated the purchase of all 44 units.

If you would like to support this project, please make your check out to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation and submit it to Secretary Paul Bohlman, or send it to P.O. box 20334, Columbus, OH 43220-0334. Donations should be received on or before June 1. This would be a tax-deductible gift. Please be sure to use the memo line on your check to indicate that the donation is for the First Lady's Project.

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## The Ohio BMV and military veterans ...

We all must periodically renew our driver's license, and if you have done so recently, you would know that the BMV is now required to ask whether or not you are a veteran. The Department of Veterans Services is trying to locate all veterans and active duty members of the armed forces in Ohio, to inform them of important services available. The information collected is being sent to the Department of Veterans Services and includes your name, address, status (veteran, currently serving, Reserve, National Guard), the last four digits of your social security number and your date-of-birth. Certain merchants may offer discounts or unique services to veterans, and many of them will begin looking for the symbol on your driver's license or identification card. There is no fee for having this symbol included on your driver's license; however, you do have to prove your status by providing a DD214, or equivalent document (military ID, LES statement, or VA card).

As we approach Memorial Day, it is time to pause and thank all of those, especially our Club members, who have served in our U.S. military. It is through them, and the many sacrifices they and their families have made, that we enjoy our freedom.

## Managing stress ...



A young lady confidently walked around the room, while leading a stress management class, with a raised glass of water. Everyone in the audience knew she was going to ask the ultimate question, 'half empty or half full?' . . . She fooled them all. "How heavy is this glass of water?," she inquired with a smile.

Answers called out ranged from 8 oz. to 20 oz.

She replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance. In each case, it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes." She continued, "And that's the way it is with stress. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on."

"As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. When we're refreshed, we can carry on with the burden, holding stress longer and better each time practiced. So, as early in the evening as you can, put all your burdens down. Don't carry them through the evening and into the night ... pick them up tomorrow.

Whatever burdens you're carrying now, let them down for a moment. Relax; pick them up later, after you've rested. Life is short. Enjoy it, and the 'supposed' stress that you now have conquered!"

**We could learn a lot from crayons.  
Some are sharp, some are pretty  
and some are dull.  
Some have weird names and  
all are different colors,  
but they all have to live in the same box.**

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**If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.**

### *Next meeting*

(June 6, 2010)

**Reminder: No meeting May 30  
in observance of Memorial Day**

**Speaker: Jim Tressel**

Ohio State Head Football Coach  
(Reservations ABSOLUTELY required)

**Committee Meetings:** Scholarship, Behavioral  
Health & Wellness, Golf

**Menu:** House Salad, Roast Chicken, red pepper  
sauce or a Fruit Plate option

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