

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"



August 23, 2010

Alex Fischer

CEO of The Columbus Partnership

Alex Fischer is the President and CEO of the Columbus Partnership, a civic organization of Columbus' top business leaders formed in 2002 to improve the economic and cultural base of Central Ohio. The Partnership is helping to lead the Columbus2020! economic development effort, which is a collaboration of regional economic development organizations. The Partnership has 35 members, including 15 *Fortune* 1000 CEOs, the head of the nation's largest university and the head of the world's largest private research and development organization.



Previously, Fischer was Senior Vice President for Business and Economic Development for the Battelle Memorial Institute headquartered in Columbus, and served on the company's Executive Committee and as a Corporate Officer. His responsibilities included commercialization of Battelle's technologies, including the six national laboratories managed or co-managed by Battelle. In this role, he served as one of the primary interfaces with Battelle Ventures and Battelle's other venture capital investments. He also oversaw the office of Public Affairs and Government Relations, Battelle's Economic Development programs and Business Development activities, as well. In this post, he spearheaded Battelle's successful bid for the National Renewable Energy Laboratory as well as the UK's new National Nuclear Laboratory.

Fischer was previously the Director of Technology Transfer and Economic Development for UT-Battelle at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), where he oversaw tremendous growth in commercialization activities, the development of a new Science and Technology Park on the ORNL campus, the implementation of a technology-focused venture capital fund with local business leaders and the launch of the successful Global Venture Challenge business plan competition.

Before joining Battelle, Fischer served as the Deputy Governor and chief of staff to Tennessee Governor Don Sundquist. In that position, Fischer served as the principal advisor to the Governor on all matters of the State of Tennessee including the oversight of the 22 agencies of state government.

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Thank you **Brian Seitz**
and **Tina Matthews**
for greeting us today.





Thank you
Tina Matthews
for providing today's invocation.



Scheduled Committee Meetings	
<u>August 23</u>	<u>August 30</u>
Boast Boost Career Guidance Public Affairs Service Leadership Program	No committee meetings Hixson Fellows and 1916 Society Recognition

Today's Menu: House Salad - Jerk Marinated Chicken Breast

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

President's Corner



We just completed our 12th annual Corporate Regatta. As with everything we do, it was a total team effort. From the co-chairs, **Mike Hammerle, Dave Keller, and Jerry Durham**, to the marvelous job accomplished again by **Dan McCormick** as our emcee, and Amy

Lutz from Fox News who ably started each of the heats. And, of course, what would a Regatta be like without **Jamie Richardson** and the White Castle folks providing a great selection of sliders? One of the most important jobs was done by the, behind-the-scenes "Day of Event" leader, Kathleen Roberts, who meticulously lined up the speakers, volunteers, the cleaners of tubs and lots of assignments too many to even remember.

Although our goal of \$30,000 may be down slightly this year, we had more skippers, which means that we have an increasing number of participants, which bodes well for the Regatta's viability in future years. And what would the Regatta at the Columbus Public Library be like without the head of the number one Library in the country, Pat Losinski?

Now for the awards: Our three judges declared that the 'best decorated boat' was the one entered by Fifth Third Bank. **Rita Edwards** graciously donated her \$500 winnings to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation. Runners-up in the competition were Triad, designed by **Dave Keller**, and Calfee, by **Troy Terakedis** and **Milan Jovanovich**.

The overall winner of the Regatta was Abbingdon Communities captained by **Mike Hammerle**, who donated his winnings back to Kiwanis as well.

The weather, which I take responsibility for, was perfect: Sunshine and a cool breeze. The raffle, handled by **Troy Terakedis**, added more interest and revenue to this fun charity event.

So with all that complete, we have finished our two fundraisers for the year with approximately \$70,000. This, plus investment income from the Foundation, will allow us to place nearly \$100,000 into our community during the 2010/11 administrative year that begins on October 1. This is what Kiwanis is all about, helping those most in need.

A big thanks to all workers, the skippers and sponsors. Start thinking about next year!

Calendar of Events

8/30 – Gene Smith – OSU Athletic Director

9/3 – Kiwanis Night at the Clippers

9/6 – NO MEETING – Labor Day Holiday

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Prior to his service as Deputy Governor, Fischer served as the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (ECD). During his tenure, the State of Tennessee set numerous economic development investment records, including more than \$408 million of new capital investment, and was named "State of the Year" for its economic development accomplishments.

During his service in state government, Fischer acted as the primary state liaison in the development of the successful bid by the University of Tennessee and the Battelle Memorial Institute for the \$58 million management contract for the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Fischer was the co-founder of Comprehensive Community Care, a behavioral health company (which grew to operate in four cities before his divestiture); the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Akins and Tombras Public Relations; the founding Executive Director of Technology 2020 (a technology incubator in Oak Ridge, TN); and the Director of Planning for the Tennessee Technology Foundation.

A native of Hendersonville, Tennessee, Fischer graduated from The University of Tennessee in Knoxville with a bachelor's degree in economics and a master's degree from the school of Architecture and Planning. Fischer has been active on numerous for-profit boards and community organizations, including service as the past Chairman of Velocys, OmniViz and the SunTrust Bank of East Tennessee Board of Directors. He currently serves on the boards of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Experience Columbus and Campus Partners.

He has been honored with several community service awards, including the Postman Medal for his outstanding leadership in Business and Government. He has two children, Ethan and Anna, and currently resides in the City of Columbus.

Run your appliances efficiently ...

Washing Machine:

1. Use cold or warm water for washing, and always cold water for rinsing.
2. If your machine has a choice of spin speeds, always chose the fastest, to reduce dryer energy.
3. Don't do partial loads, even if it has a water level adjustment, as the energy to wash is nearly the same for partial as full loads.

Dryer:

1. Use cooler settings with longer run times to save energy.
2. Always clean out the lint filter after every load.
3. Keep the dryer vent pipe short and clean to allow air to move easily.

Oven:

1. Don't pre-heat. Place the item in the oven and let it start to cook as it reaches the desired temperature.
2. Look thru the glass to check on progress; don't open the door.
3. Try to avoid cooking in the oven when air conditioning the house.

Dishwasher:

1. Use it, but don't pre-wash or use fast running water to super-rinse dishes. Dishwashers use less water than hand washing when running a full load.
2. Don't run partial loads.

Range:

1. Use the lowest setting to boil water. Unless the rapid boiling is needed to keep pasta from sticking, water cannot get hotter than 212 degrees.
2. Turn off the burner before finishing and cook on the residual heat, if you are using an electric range.



New membership video available ...

The 2010 Membership Committee shepherded the creation of a new Kiwanis Club of Columbus promotional video, under the very capable production skills of Kiwanian **Dave Keller** and his Triad crew. It is available to view on YouTube, and there is a link on our website, so please take a few minutes to watch it.

The video was the culmination of several months of work by the membership committee. According to Membership Chair **Kathleen Roberts**, "The video is designed to help market the club to the community, reaching out to previously untapped persons and constituencies, extolling the outstanding opportunities for community service and fellowship that exist within our club." The video will be included in each prospective member packet handed out to guests at our weekly meetings. If you know someone who should be a member of our club (and there must be hundreds, or thousands, out there), invite them to a meeting and personally deliver their information packet to them.

Appearing in the almost-three-minute video are Kiwanians **Scott Lindsey, Chad Endsley, Mareion Royster, Chris and Candace Pflum, Ken Keller, Char Collister, Dave Korodi, Jim Skidmore, Paul Bohlman** and **Kathleen Roberts**. It was filmed in Triad's studios. Special thanks to Dave and his staff, who compressed about two hours of digital "tape" into this video. In the future, snippets of unused portions will be edited and loaded onto our YouTube account.

'Kiwanis Night' at the Clippers ...

Don't forget to order your tickets for the Kiwanis Division 10-W 'Kiwanis Night' at the Clippers. The date is Friday, September 3 against the Toledo Mudhens at 7:05 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased directly from the Clipper organization by submitting an order form and your payment. The order form can be found on our web site under "Forms." If you are unable to access the website, please contact Secretary **Paul Bohlman** for assistance.



Scholarship Committee to meet ...

The scholarship committee will be holding a special meeting on Monday, August 23, at 11:30 a.m. at the Athletic Club of Columbus. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize the 2010 non-traditional scholarship awards. All committee members should plan to attend.

Trustee meeting report ...

The Trustees of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus met on Tuesday, August 10 at Scioto Country Club. Here is a summary of the actions taken:

Treasurer's Report: All financials are sound.

New Business

Larry Icenogle's request for "non-resident, special active" status was approved.

Following discussion of **Dave Ryan's** idea, presented by **Bob Wiseman, Char Collister** agreed to appoint a strike force to identify *Columbus Dispatch*-identified special community needs and to act with Foundation approval for immediate assistance.

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus committed "at least" 60 hours of volunteer manpower to the Volunteers of America in support of V.O.A.'s grant application to get funding for expansion of beds for homeless veterans.

Membership: **Christina Hultsch** of CWS Law and **Stephanie Harris** at Columbus Early Learning Center were approved.

Service Leadership Program: \$800 was approved to pay the chartering fee for the founding of a Key Club at the Boys and Girls Club.

Behavioral Health and Wellness: \$500 was approved for Hannah Neil Center's substance abuse counseling materials.

Youth Opportunity:

\$1,000 was approved for the Huckleberry House to purchase books and supplies.

\$1,250 was approved for Buckeye Ranch to provide Success Store items to motivate kids.

College Fair: Approval was granted to enter into food service and booth set-up contracts for the 2010 College Fair.

Scholarship: Non-traditional scholarship applications due 8/23.

Homeless:

\$1,000 to the Huckleberry House was approved for their Transitional Living Program;

\$750 to Southeast, Inc for an information kiosk was tabled, pending more information;

\$1,000 to the Community Housing Network was approved for their computer living center;

International Relations:

\$1,000 for Homeless Families Foundation International was approved; \$600 was approved to sponsor a Youth Forum at



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

08/26 – Susan Brehm

08/29 – Paul Baumer

Columbus International high school;
\$500 was approved for the Columbus International Program to host a program for 5 Ukrainian judges.

Other:

\$5,000 was approved for Boys and Girls Club to help purchase a new roof;

\$1,868 was approved to purchase 1,000 book bags in partnership with the Hilltop Kiwanis, Stuff the Bus Program;

\$2,000 was tentatively approved for Honor Flight, to send 8 veterans to the WWII Memorial in DC.

Please note that today's meeting will be held in the Crystal Room. The Athletic Club is re-finishing the ballroom floor and we will return to our normal meeting space next week.

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