

The Bulletin

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus



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"Where Ordinary People Provide Extraordinary Service"

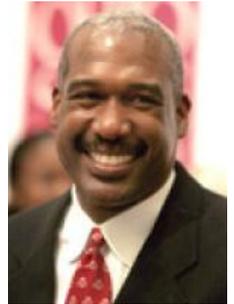


August 30, 2010

Gene Smith

Athletic Director, The Ohio State University

Gene Smith is in his sixth year as director of athletics at The Ohio State University. He was named to his current position March 5, 2005. On March 17, 2008, Gordon Gee, president of The Ohio State University, promoted Smith to university assistant vice president/director of athletics and he has since been named associate vice president/director of athletics. Smith is the eighth person to hold the athletics director position at Ohio State and the first African-American to do so. He previously served as director of athletics at Arizona State, Iowa State and Eastern Michigan universities, and is entering his 25th year in the role.



At Ohio State, the 54-year old Smith oversees the nation's most comprehensive and most successful college athletic programs. The Buckeyes have 36 fully-funded varsity sports and more than 1,000 student-athletes. The department of athletics is completely self-supporting and receives no university funds, tax dollars or student fees. In fiscal year 2009-10, the department transferred nearly \$30 million in assessments to the university, including more than \$13 million in grant-in-aid reimbursement. In Smith's first three years at Ohio State, the department of athletics finished in the black financially and increased its reserve fund.

Upon arriving at Ohio State, Smith quickly established himself as a respected and thoughtful leader, both within the university and the community. In the spring of 2007, he unveiled a five-year strategic plan, reflecting the department's goals and values. The strategic planning process, inclusive of the entire department, emphasized the development of the total student-athlete. Under Smith's leadership, The Ohio State Department of Athletics was honored in the spring of 2008 with the Diversity in Athletics Award in the category of Overall Excellence in Diversity.

Shortly after Ohio State was honored as a department for its dedication to diversity, Smith was individually recognized for his contribution to the sport of football. The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame announced in June of 2008 the recipients of the NFF's 2008 Major Awards. Smith was honored officially Dec. 9, 2008 in New York with the John L. Toner Award. Presented annually, the Toner Award is given to a director of athletics who has demonstrated superior administrative abilities and shown outstanding dedication to college athletics, and particularly college football.

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Thank you **Linda Kay**
and **Kathleen Roberts**
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Kathleen Roberts
for providing today's invocation.

Scheduled Committee Meetings

August 30

No committee meetings

Hixson Fellows and
1916 Society
Recognition

September 6

No meeting
today in
honor of
Labor Day

Today's Menu: House Salad, Sauteed Tilapia, Honey-Pecan Butter

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

President's Corner



Ethics, discipline, "higher social, business and professional standards."

One of the objects of Kiwanis International states that Kiwanis is "To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards." Are we living up

to this in all that we do in our Kiwanis Club of Columbus?

This was brought to the fore when Mark Hurd, President and CEO of Hewlett Packard, resigned over "expense-report recklessness." Expense reports are tied to a company's code of conduct that addresses ethical behavior, and it is the collective responsibility of the employer and the employees to conduct their business in a manner that achieves the business goals and helps the company stay in compliance with local rules and laws."

So that brings us to the ethical behavior at our Kiwanis Club. When we have a committee meeting scheduled, it is important that everyone who attends that meeting signs the attendance record. That then is tabulated for each person's "perfect attendance." If you pass by the table, don't sit through the meeting, and/or do not contribute to the committee topics, you should not sign the attendance sheet. That would be unethical behavior. Have you seen folks move from table to table to sign a sheet without even sitting down? And have you seen members turn in a committee-meeting sheet with their names on it when there was NO meeting? Does that meet our "higher business standards?" I would like to see our behaviors match our goals.

And we have 19 new members this year. We need to live this Kiwanis object for these new members. Several weeks ago a new member came to attend a committee meeting that was announced in the Bulletin. The chair said, "Oh, we had an ad hoc meeting last week." What kind of a message does that send to a new member? It is every committee chair's responsibility to 1) have a committee meeting on the date announced in the Bulletin and assign a substitute chair when the current chair can not be there, (with an agenda of items to be discussed.); and 2) If a meeting is going to be held on a different date, this must be communicated to Secretary Paul Bohlman and put in the Bulletin. We need to tighten up our ethics and higher business standards and invite our members to do the same.

I would welcome your comments on how we can more readily meet the Kiwanis Goals.

Calendar of Events

09/06 – No Meeting – Labor Day

09/15 – Deadline for 2010-11 membership dues

09/27 – Kiwanis College Fair

Bloodmobile available ...

Having trouble finding time to break away and donate blood? We can help. This Monday, August 30, the American Red Cross will have their bloodmobile set up outside the Athletic Club of Columbus before and after our regularly scheduled meeting – from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Why not stop in and donate on your way to or from Kiwanis? Please contact Marte Dobosh at mdobosh@accolumbus.com to schedule an appointment.

The American Red Cross is a major supplier of blood to hospitals and urgent care facilities. Their supplies are running very low and they need donors to help replenish them.

Circle K wins award ...

Did you know that Capital University won the GEM award at International? They won 4th place in the Ruby Division. GEM means "Growth Enhances Membership" and is basically a membership growth award. Congratulation to our Capital University Circle K Club and their advisor, **Susan Black!**

Bohlman recognized ...

Kiwanian **Paul Bohlman** was inducted into the prestigious 'Order of the White Carnation' at the 57th International Convention of Delta Chi Fraternity, held recently in New Orleans.

Delta Chi was founded at Cornell University in 1890 and only 35 individuals have been inducted into this order. It is the Fraternity's highest honor designed to recognize those who have given extraordinary and inconspicuous service to the Fraternity at various levels. Inductees are selected at the Fraternity's biennial conventions by the 17 living members of the Order.



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Kulula quotes ...

Kulula Airlines attendants make an effort to make the in-flight "safety lecture" and announcements a bit more entertaining. Here are some real examples that have been heard or reported:

On a Kulula flight, (*there is no assigned seating, you just sit where you want*) passengers were apparently having a hard time choosing, when a flight attendant announced, "People, people - - we're not picking out furniture here; find a seat and get in it!"

On another flight with a very "senior" flight attendant crew, the pilot said, "Ladies and gentlemen, we've reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights. This is for your comfort and to enhance the appearance of your flight attendants."

"There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways out of this airplane."

"Thank you for flying Kulula. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."

As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Durban Airport, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: "Whoa, big fella. WHOA!"

From a Kulula employee: "Welcome aboard Kulula 271 to Port Elizabeth. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt; and, if you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."

"Your seat cushions can be used for flotation; and in the event of an emergency water landing, please paddle to shore and take them with our compliments."

And from the pilot during his welcome message: "Kulula Airlines is pleased to announce that we have some of the best flight attendants in the industry. Unfortunately, none of them are on this flight!"

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Smith recently was appointed to the Governing Board of Trustees of the Lincoln Theatre Association. He was named to the position by the Franklin County (Ohio) Board of Commissioners. It is a three-year appointment effective March 10, 2009. Smith has an exemplary record of national leadership and service. In 2007, he served as president of the Division 1-A Athletic Directors Association. He is entering his fifth year on the prestigious NCAA Men's Basketball Committee and was appointed chair of the committee for the 2010-11 academic year, with his term as chair beginning Sept. 1, 2010.

In May 2010, Smith was honored as the Sports Business Journal Athletic Director of the Year. The award, for which he was a finalist in 2008, was based on excellence and outstanding achievement in the business of sports.

Smith grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and attended the University of Notre Dame on a football scholarship. He played four years of football as a defensive end for the Irish and was a member of the 1973 Associated Press national championship team. Smith received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Notre Dame in 1977. Following graduation, he joined the Notre Dame coaching staff under Dan Devine and remained in that capacity until 1981. The 1977 Notre Dame team captured the undisputed national championship.

As a former college athlete and coach, Smith is passionate about the well-being of student-athletes. "We want to create an environment for our student-athletes to be successful academically, athletically and socially," he says. "The student-athlete experience provides teachable moments that prepare young women and men for success in life."

Smith is active in the Columbus community and is a member of the board of the YMCA of Central Ohio and the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Columbus. He also is active with the Bell Center for African-American males on Ohio State's campus.

Gene and his wife, Sheila, have four children: Matt, Nicole, Lindsey and Summer, and two grandchildren: Marshall and Steele. Sheila, a 1976 Canadian Olympian in basketball, holds a doctorate in higher education administration and is an associate vice president for development at Ohio State.

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK & NEXT

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| 08/30 – John Fisher | 09/08 – Misty Mahefkey |
| 08/30 – David Kandel | 09/09 – Beth Dorey |
| 09/01 – Daryll Rardon | 09/11 – Bob Wiseman |
| 09/06 – David Fenner | 09/12 – Adam Biehl |
| 09/06 – Mike Gladfelter | 09/12 – David Brainin |
| 09/08 – Scott Doellinger | |

Wow, this is a lot of birthdays...

No meeting ...

Monday, September 6 is Labor Day. In honor of this Federal holiday, our weekly Monday luncheon is being canceled. We will see you on September 13th.

2010 Kiwanis College Fair needs you ...



The 2010 Kiwanis College Fair is scheduled for Monday, September 27 in the North Hall of Veteran's Memorial Hall. More than 150 colleges and universities will be represented as some 3,000 plus high school students converge on the Fair.

We need volunteers to help with registration and handing out materials as students arrive. We will have three shifts – 8 to 10:30 a.m., 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Each shift earns an attendance credit and a service credit. If you are interesting in volunteering, please contact **Tom Hayden** at tom.g.hayden@marsh.com or by phone at 614-227-6222.

Don't forget ...

The deadline for paying your 2010-11 membership dues is only a few weeks away – September 15. Please be sure to get your check in the mail, or hand it to Secretary **Paul Bohlman** at an upcoming meeting. Payments received after October 1 will be charged an additional \$25 administrative fee.



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Pelotonia and Kiwanis ...

Congratulations to the eight Club members who rode in this year's Pelotonia bike ride to raise money for cancer research, on Saturday, August 21.



They were **Scott Lindsey, Lisa Jolley, Kathy Petrucci, Nikki Thomas, Mark Horstman, Troy Terakedis, Willie Grove` and John Eberts.**

Kids say the darnedest things ...

Larry's kindergarten class was on a field trip to their local police station where they saw pictures tacked to a bulletin board of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person. 'Yes,' said the policeman 'The detectives want very badly to capture him.

Larry asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"

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