

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."

"It's not about me ... or you, but what WE will do for the children."

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



September 29, 2014

KATHLEEN ROBERTS

Outgoing President
Kiwanis Club of Columbus



After presiding at 44 club meetings (could have been 45, except that the Athletic Club was closed that one day!), 11 Trustee meetings, countless committee meetings and a wealth of service projects and programs (such as furniture builds, Manna Cafe, the Autism Walk, partnering with Boys and Girls Club for Meals on Wheels), I realize that my year as your president is coming to its inevitable end.

As the 2013-14 Administrative Year nears its conclusion, I think we have so much to celebrate as we focused on the children within our Columbus community, their families and communities. So how did we focus on this year **not being about me, or you, but on the children as we mirror the mission of Kiwanis International?**

Well, we have invested more than \$85,000 into the community with the majority of those dollars serving youth, from birth through their high school graduations. We celebrated a very successful 5K walk/run, which supported our KI Eliminate Project, our springtime Auction in a new venue, which focused on our scholarship program, and our summer Corporate Regatta, which showcased our ongoing support of the Columbus Metropolitan Library's Summer Reading Program.

In my comments last October after I was inducted as your President, I talked about my family and our Kiwanis family, coffee and coffee cups (including a cup that I purchased at an Ohio District Convention more than 20 years ago – were you there?) and my goal to focus on our volunteering and serving together to benefit the children within our Columbus community.

Throughout the past year, I often kept thinking about this..."We can only imagine the lives that will be and have been touched this year through our efforts!" My hope is that you hold this thought, too.

And we're not quite (but almost) to our Centennial Celebration! What a legacy we are founding!

Today's Meeting

Greeters: **Jim Skidmore** – Retired, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Fil Line – ROI Realty Services
Invocation: **Jerry Kuyoth** - Friendship Village Dublin
Committee meetings: Fifth Monday - no committee meetings
Special Appearance: The Mighty Ukulele Orchestra
Menu: **House salad, herb marinated chicken with red pepper coulis**

A Glance at this week

Birthdays:

10/02 – **Ohmer Crowell**
10/03 – **John Hykes**
10/03 – **Kitty Wertz**
10/06 – **Roy Young**



Monday – 09/30 – International Coffee Day

Friday – 10/03 – Boyfriends Day

Sunday – 10/05 – Country Inn Bed & Breakfast Day

Pancakes, anyone?

The University Kiwanis Club will be hosting its annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 26. It will be held at the Tuttle Recreation Center (240 W. Oakland Avenue, Columbus) and will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Once again this fall, they will be offering plain, blueberry, chocolate chip and pumpkin pancakes (Mickey Mouse available upon request for kids!).

Tickets are available through University Kiwanis members or you may buy them at the door for \$5 each.

Division 10W Council to meet ...

The first quarterly meeting of the Division 10-W Council is scheduled for Thursday, October 23 at 6:30 p.m. It will be held at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City (445 S.



Jefferson Avenue). Dinner will include a family-style presentation of chicken, beef, salad, corn, pie and soft drinks.

Division 10-W oversees and supports 12 Clubs in Central Ohio – Columbus; Hilliard; Dublin; Northwest; London; Washington Court House; University; Grove City; Franklinton; Greater Dublin; Hilltop and I-Next. The Division Council meeting provides a vehicle for sharing information and staying abreast of what is happening within Kiwanis throughout the state, our country and the world.

Division Council meetings are open to all members of all clubs. The meetings are a great vehicle for expanding one's knowledge of Kiwanis, and for networking with members from other clubs.

Cost for the dinner meeting is \$19 per person. If you are interested in attending, please let Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** know by Friday, October 17. The Club will pay for our members with one check and you will be billed individually for your share.

The secret of enjoying a good wine:

- 1- Open the bottle to allow it to breathe.
- 2- If it does not look like it is breathing, give it mouth to-mouth.

Technological advances ...

Bill Gates is hanging out with the chairman of General Motors. "If automotive technology had kept pace with computer technology over the past few decades," boasts Gates, "you would now be driving a V-32 instead of a V-8, and it would have a top speed of 10,000 miles per hour. Or, you could have an economy car that weighs 30 pounds and gets a thousand miles to a gallon of gas. In either case, the sticker price of a new car would be less than \$50."

"Sure," says the GM chairman. "But would you really want to drive a car that crashes four times a day?"

35th Annual Columbus Kiwanis College Fair ...

Our annual College Fair is this Monday, September 29, at the Aladdin Shrine Temple on Stelzer Road. There is still time to volunteer and to help make this another very successful event.

The work is easy – escorting the college representatives to their respective booths, handing materials to high school students as they enter and helping to keep the students from wandering into restricted areas.

We need volunteers at 7:30 a.m., to help greet and escort the college reps. Students will begin arriving by bus around 9 a.m., and we will end the morning session by 12:30 p.m. The evening session will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and will include more parents.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact J.P. LaFramboise at laframj1@gmail.com. Remember, each shift worked earns one attendance credit.



Make the world a better place.

Business Card Ads ...

Our newsletter reaches well beyond the membership of our Club via an electronic distribution list that includes many club secretaries around the country, and a variety of other interested people.

Business card ads are inexpensive, and available for purchase by any Club member. Why not let yourself, your business, your pet project be known?

In support of the Summer Reading Club ...

The Columbus Metropolitan Library has been rated as the top library system in the country, and their annual Summer Reading Club Program is also rated as the best in the land. Last summer alone, more than 73,000 youth participated in the Summer Reading Club, helping to maintain their reading skills during the summer months.

Kiwanis Club of Columbus has had a long-time relationship with the Library, and over the years has contributed more than \$200,000 in support of the Summer Reading Program. It is a program our entire community can be proud of.

Proceeds donated to the Library come from our annual Columbus Kiwanis Corporate Regatta. This year's Regatta was successful enough to again donate \$12,000 to the Library. President **Kathleen Roberts** was proud to present this year's check. On hand to accept the check on behalf of the Library were fellow Kiwanian **Donna Zuiderweg** and Library CEO Patrick Losinski.



Serious football fans ...

A Cowboys fan, a Bears fan and a Packers fan are climbing a mountain and arguing about who loves their team the most. The Cowboys fan insisted that he was the most loyal. "This is for Dallas," he yells, as he jumps off the mountain.

Not to be out done, the Bears fan is next to profess his love for his team. He yells, "This is for Chicago," and he pushes the Packers fan off the mountain.

Call for attendance reports ...

All committee chairs are encouraged to make sure they have submitted all of their committee and attendance reports to Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman**. These reports are utilized to award attendance credits, and many of our members are close to achieving perfect attendance. One or two more credits may be all that is needed to put them over. Please don't let these people down.

Perfect attendance tabs for the 2013-14 administrative year will be presented at the **October 13** Club meeting. If you are unsure whether you qualify or need to know how many more credits you need, please contact Paul.

Golf season on 17th hole ...

As the weather starts getting cooler, the days get shorter and the leaves start falling, the game of golf begins to look toward the long winter hiatus. However, we're not done yet. Please plan to join us on Thursday, October 9, at the Glenross Golf Club (231 Club House Dr, Delaware). For more details and to sign up, please contact **Mike Becker** at mbecker@beckerlilly.com or **Tom Christman** at tchristman@ohioexterminating.com.

Support our wait staff ...



Once each quarter, we pass the proverbial hat to collect a tip for the ACC wait staff who so efficiently serves us, week in and week out.

Built into the price we pay for lunch is a small gratuity that must be shared with all of the ACC wait staff. The money we collect does not get split and goes directly to those who serve us. Funds collected each quarter are retained, and then presented at Christmastime, along with the funds collected in December.

We will be collecting contributions on Monday, September 29. Envelopes will be placed on each table so that you can add whatever amount you feel comfortable with. If you prefer to write a check, please make it out to "Kiwanis Club of Columbus" and be sure write "wait staff" on the memo line.

Committees forming ...

As we begin the new administrative year, many committees have new chairs and they are looking to identify new committee members. This is a great time to re-think the committees you are involved in and to either re-join those you have participated with in the past or to try something new.

And you DO NOT need to wait to be asked. You can join a committee yourself by editing your profile on the Kiwanis website. Just click on the committees you wish to join. Committee chairs are often surprised to learn of a member's interest, and if you don't speak up, you may never be asked. So take the initiative and get involved. You will be glad you did.

Deadline approaches for 2014-15 annual membership dues ...

This is just a reminder to submit payment for your annual Kiwanis membership dues if you have not already done so.

On October 1, our membership roster will be cleared of all unpaid members so that we can submit the official report to Kiwanis International. Membership dues received after October 1 will be subject to an additional \$25 reinstatement fee. We would certainly like to avoid this, if at all possible.



Please remember that membership dues can now be paid by credit card. However, there is a small processing fee for this method – 3 percent if your card can be swiped and 3.5 percent if your information is manually inputted. Unfortunately, there is a cost to convenience, but hopefully this will serve as a viable option for some.

Please let Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** know if you have any questions or if there are any timing issues we need to be aware of or work through.

I sent that ancestry site some information on my family tree. They sent back a packet of seeds and suggested that I start over.

Columbus Kiwanis Foundation continues to grow ...

Having the financial where-with-all to support an aggressive scholarship and community grant program is a key element in facilitating our Club's efforts to improve the world one community and one child at a time.

As part of our strategic planning process several years ago, the Club and the Foundation boards jointly resolved to build our Foundation to \$1.1 million dollars so that we would not only have a million dollar foundation but an extra \$100,000 to award in special grants during our 100th anniversary year.

Due to the fortunate growth of our investments, our total Foundation assets, as of August 30, 2104, are \$1,045,000. We are within striking distance of reaching our goal, but there is still much work to be done. This coming administrative year will be crucial, as we work to raise additional funds and continue to grow our assets.

If you have not already done so, we hope you will consider joining the 1916 Society, or perhaps making a donation to the Society that will bring you to the next giving recognition level. The Columbus Kiwanis Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable organization and your contributions are tax deductible.

I just ate a whole can of Pringles and I was very disappointed. There were only three in the can and they were tennis ball-flavored.

Next week's meeting

(October 6, 2014)

Program: Officer Installations

Jim Skidmore

Incoming Club President

Greeters: Jerry Kuyoth

Friendship Village Dublin

Alice Hohl

SiteInSight

Invocation: Tony Jones - Care Source

Committee Meetings: Scholarship

Menu: House salad, grilled salmon with char tomato jam

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