

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."

"Kiwanis Club of Columbus is a Club that cares about the children. Children are our focus."

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

October 21, 2013

MATT SCHULER

Executive Director
Ohio Casino Control Commission



Matt Schuler is the executive director of the Ohio Casino Control Commission. He was hired in November 2011 to lead the new agency, given his vast experience in legislative leadership and public policy.

Schuler, a Mansfield native, is a 1990 summa cum laude political science graduate of The Ohio State University. While still at OSU, he was appointed a Senate page with the help of then-Senator Dick Schafrath, a Wooster Republican; as luck would have it, Schuler's résumé arrived in Schafrath's office the very day a page job opened.

Later, Schuler joined the Senate's fiscal office, which manages the Senate's employee payroll and such. He then got what amounted to a graduate education in budgeting for state government: He became an aide for two budget cycles (roughly, four years) to then-Senator Ted Gray, an Upper Arlington Republican and 43-year legislator who chaired the Senate's finance committee. Schuler left the Statehouse to join the staff of the Ohio Manufacturers' Association, but returned to the Senate in 1998 to become clerk when Martha Butler retired.

In the fall of 2005, at the tail end of Republican Governor Bob Taft's administration and the eve of Democrat Ted Strickland's, Schuler became Senate chief of staff, answering first to president Bill Harris, an Ashland Republican, then to Harris's successor, suburban Cincinnati Republican Tom Niehaus.

Republicans have run the state Senate since 1985. The Senate majority staff, especially since term limits started in 1993, is considered not only top-notch, but also high-powered. Jesters sometimes claim GOP senators work for the Senate Republican staff, rather than vice versa. But Schuler's decision to try something new wasn't unexpected. "I think he could have stayed in the Senate as long as he wanted," said Capitol Square super-lobbyist Neil Clark, himself a former key Senate,

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Dan Lacey** - Clark, Schaefer, Hackett & Co.

**Bill Calvert** - Merrill Lynch

**Invocation:** **Caitlyn Nestleroth** - Office of the Ohio Attorney General

**Committee meetings:** Membership, Music & Arts

**Menu:** Caesar salad, traditional lasagna

### This week at a Glance

**Birthdays:**

10/22 – Ned Barthelmas

10/22 – Jack D'Aurora



**Tuesday** – 10/22/1907 - Panic of 1907: A run on the stock of the Knickerbocker Trust Company set events in motion that led to a depression.

**Thursday** – 10/24/ 1901- Annie Edson Taylor became the first person to go over Niagara Falls, in a barrel.

## Our own ukulele orchestra makes the rounds ...

The word is getting out: Columbus Kiwanis has a ukulele orchestra that's worth hearing. In the next few weeks, Kiwanis Club of Columbus Mighty Ukulele Orchestra has been invited to perform at Trillium Place retirement community in Dublin (Friday, October 18) and will be the featured program for Hilltop Kiwanis on Thursday, October 24.

A fall date with our own Club is under discussion. And a private date is pending for the winning bidder at a recent auction for a performance at a party in his home.



Made up of Kiwanians **Ron Cook, Jim Skidmore, Scott Lindsey** and **Ken Keller**, plus talented addition Janice Cook, the KCCMUO rehearses for two hours almost every week and is constantly adding new material to its repertoire that includes country, blues and standards in addition to traditional Hawaiian favorites.

## Annual President's Party ... a time to celebrate!

As a Club, we continue to call on our members for countless hours of hard work, much of which is behind the scenes, in committee meetings and on one's own. It all adds up to a very successful Club: placing thousands of dollars back into our community through our scholarship and grants program; bringing joy to less-fortunate families through hands-on projects like serving food, building furniture and taking photos; helping develop our future leaders through programs like our College Fair, Entrepreneurial Challenge and Reading Buddies; raising money through events like our Charity Auction and Corporate Regatta; conducting weekly meetings featuring key community leaders; and so much more.

Now it is time to celebrate all we have accomplished during the past administrative year under the leadership of Club President **Lisa Jolley**, and to provide a collective 'thank you' to all who took an active role in her administration. In short, this night is for you.

So plan to attend the 2103 President's Party scheduled for Friday evening, November 1, at Scioto Country Club. Responses (yea or nay) are due in by October 25. If for some reason you did not receive an invitation, or you have misplaced it, please contact Secretary **Paul Bohlman**.

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Republican aide. Clark said most Senate chiefs of staff only get to work for one Senate president, not two, like Schuler did. Clark added that being the hand-holder and near-confessor to Republican senators means "the job can get pretty monotonous." Schuler, asked about his decision to leave the chief of staff position, said, "There can come a point when you feel as if you are passing the same street."

Schuler currently resides in Gahanna with wife Jill and their four school-aged children whose ages range from 5 to 12. Jill Schuler, who earned a Ph.D. in Slavic and East European languages and literatures from OSU, is a member of the Gahanna-Jefferson Board of Education. The Schulers met when he was studying Russian and she was a teaching assistant.

Updating of photos ...

Maintaining a current photo on our Club web site is a simple process, especially when Kiwanian **Jim Shively** offers his services free of charge to capture an up-to-date likeness of you, our valued member.

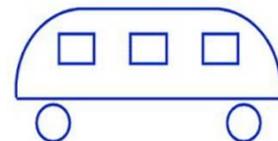


A current photo allows new and tenured members to readily identify and associate names with faces. It is an integral part of networking, a major benefit of Club membership.

Next Monday, October 28, Jim will be available to take photos before our regularly scheduled meeting in one of the adjoining ACC parlors. It will only take a few minutes, and he promises he will capture your best side.

Oh, and if you see a member's photo on our web site that you think needs updating, send him/her an encouraging e-mail to be there on the 28th.

Which way is the bus below traveling? To the left or to the right?



Can't make up your mind? Look carefully at the picture again. Still don't know? Pre-schoolers all over the United States were shown this picture and asked the same question; 92% of them gave the answer found at the bottom of page four.

Ten best caddy responses ...

Number 10

Golfer: "I think I'm going to drown myself in the lake."

Caddy: "Think you can keep your head down that long?"

Number 9

Golfer: "I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course."

Caddy: "Try heaven; you've already moved most of the earth."

Number 8

Golfer: "Do you think my game is improving?"

Caddy: "Yes ... you miss the ball much closer now."

Number 7

Golfer: "Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?"

Caddy: "Eventually."

Number 6

Golfer: "You've got to be the worst caddy in the world."

Caddy: "I don't think so ... that would be too much of a coincidence."

Number 5

Golfer: "Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction."

Caddy: "It's not a watch - it's a compass."

Number 4

Golfer: "How do you like my game?"

Caddy: "It's very good - but personally, I prefer golf."

Number 3

Golfer: "Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?"

Caddy: "The way you play, it's a sin on any day."

Number 2

Golfer: "This is the worst course I've ever played on."

Caddy: "This isn't the golf course ... We left that an hour ago."

And the number 1 best caddy comment:

Golfer: "That can't be my ball, it's too old."

Caddy: "It's been a long time since we teed off, sir."

Pancake breakfast ...

The University Kiwanis Club will hold its semi-annual Rick Nini Pancake Day at Wellington

School on Sunday, November 3,
from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

They will offer plain, blueberry,
chocolate chip and pumpkin
pancakes.

Tickets are \$5 per person and are
available at the door. Why not stop in after church?
There is plenty to eat, at a good price and for a good
cause.



Harmony Project: Opportunity to help ...

Harmony Project connects Columbus residents across cultural, social and geographic lines through programming and opportunities. People from different generations, points of view and cultural experiences are united through musical training and performance while working side-by-side in collective community service.

Kiwanis will be partnering with Harmony Project for their "Fall into fun" weekend service project. On Friday, October 25, you can help with indoor and outdoor improvements to the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department's Indian Village Outdoor Education Center. Outdoor tasks will include litter removal; fence repair and painting; fire pit repair; grounds clean up; wood stacking; garden clean up and mulching. Indoor tasks will include wall/trim/door/cabinet painting and aesthetic improvements to their Arts and Crafts Room.

On Saturday and Sunday, October 26-27 you can help host the community in a child-focused, free fun day of pumpkin painting, face painting, mural painting and in-store trick-or-treating. The event will be held at Whole Foods in Dublin and Whole Foods in Upper Arlington.

For additional details and to register to volunteer, go to <http://www.harmonyproject.com/articles/vol-reg.html>. There are multiple shifts available.

Division 10-W Council meeting ...

The first Division 10-W Council meeting of the new administrative year will be held on Tuesday, October 29, at the Hilliard Senior Center (3800 Veterans Memorial Drive, Hilliard), with dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting is open to all Kiwanis members. Dinner will include parmesan-crusted chicken, Isabella salad, stuffed shells, green beans with almonds and mini-pastries. Advance reservations are required and must be in to Secretary **Paul Bohlman** no later than Monday, October 21. The cost is \$19 per person, and you will be billed upon registration.

Along with our Club, Division 10-W is comprised of the Dublin, Franklinton, Greater Dublin, Grove City, Hilliard, Hilltop, I-Next, London, Northwest Columbus, University and Washington Court House Clubs. This particular meeting will be hosted by the Hilliard, Northwest Columbus, Franklinton and Grove City Kiwanis Clubs, and you will be eligible to earn four attendance credits (one for each host Club).

This is a great opportunity to get multiple attendance credits and to network with members from nearby Clubs.

Capital University Circle K inducts new President ...

On October 2, under the supervision of Kiwanian **Susan Black** (Circle K Advisor), Capital University's Circle K President McKayla Evans (right) inducts Sarah Decker as Circle K Vice President for the 2013-14 academic year. Other officers inducted that evening included Christopher Valcourt, Treasurer; Trey McDeane, Secretary; Mikaela Wiecher, Editor; and Rachel Rus, Social Chair.



We look forward to working with these young leaders throughout this administrative year.

Friend elected Club Trustee ...

This past summer, Club Treasurer and newly elected Trustee **Nick Tomashot** accepted a position, requiring him to move to Phoenix, AZ, and step down as a Club Trustee.

At the October Trustee meeting, the nominating committee submitted the name of **Alison Friend** to fill the position Nick vacated; she was elected to a two year term.

Alison is a native of Lisbon, Ohio, and she moved to Columbus two year ago. She works for Illuminating Technologies, a commercial lighting distributor, as a national accounts manager. They specialize in energy-efficient lighting upgrades, lighting retrofits and lighting design.



Prior to moving to Columbus, Alison lived, worked and went to college in Fayetteville, North Carolina. She graduated from Methodist University in 2003 with a BS in Business and Marketing and received her MBA in 2007. While at Methodist, she played golf and tennis.

Alison is a member of Columbus Young Professionals; Experience Columbus; Ohio Grocers Association; and the Methodist University Alumni Board. In her spare time, she enjoys playing recreational softball and volleyball, golf, competing in triathlons and running half marathons. This past year, Alison co-chaired our annual Corporate Regatta.

Answer to bus quiz – page two:

"The bus is traveling to the left."

When asked, "Why do you think the bus is traveling to the left?" They answered: "Because you can't see the door to get on the bus." Sometimes we can't see the obvious answers ...

Questions to ponder ...

Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks?
Whatever happened to Preparations A through G?

Next week's meeting

(October 28, 2013)

Speaker: Jason Dominguez - Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs

Greeters: Cindy Sturni

United Way of Central Ohio

Prenab Bhattacharya

The Ohio State University

Invocation: Fil Line

ROI Realty Services

Committees: Youth Opportunity

Menu: House salad, grilled salmon with citrus gastrique

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