

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."

“Great yesterday, better today, better still tomorrow!”

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

October 31, 2011



Scott Howson

GM, Columbus Blue Jackets



Scott Howson was named the Executive Vice President of Hockey Operations and General Manager in July 2010, after becoming the second general manager in Columbus Blue Jackets history on June 15, 2007. Howson oversees all aspects of the club's hockey operations efforts.

Since his arrival, the Blue Jackets have enjoyed the best three seasons in franchise history. Following an 80-point season in 2007-08, the club went 41-31-10 for a club record 92 points and earned the first Stanley Cup playoffs berth in franchise history in 2008-09. The team earned 79 points in the 2009-10 season.

Howson came to Columbus after spending seven years with the Edmonton Oilers. He joined the Oilers in June 2000 as assistant to the general manager and was named assistant general manager a year later. In that role, he was responsible for all aspects of the club's hockey administration, including player contracts, personnel decisions, the collective bargaining agreement, its American Hockey League affiliates and the salary cap.

During his six seasons with the Oilers, the club posted five straight winning campaigns from 2000-06, averaged 37 wins and 89 points per season, topped 90 points four times and advanced to the 2006 Stanley Cup Final, where they were defeated in seven games by the Carolina Hurricanes.

Prior to his arrival in Edmonton, Howson spent six years with the Oilers' American Hockey League affiliates. As general manager of the Cape Breton Oilers from 1994-96, he oversaw the franchise's move to Hamilton in 1996 and was the Bulldogs' general manager from 1996-03. During that time, he led Hamilton to a pair of berths in the Calder Cup Finals

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Linda Kay**  
WesBanco Trust & Investment Services  
**Cindy Sturni**  
United Way of Central Ohio

**Invocation:** **Larry Walters**  
American Cancer Society

**Committee meetings:** None scheduled

**Menu:** **House salad, grilled salmon, orange fennel salsa**

**Check presentations:** None scheduled

### This week at a Glance

**Birthdays:**

11/03- **David Weibel**  
11/04 - **Kathy Petrucci**  
11/04 - **Nancy Whetstone**  
11/05 - **Linda Kay**  
11/06 - **Jamie Richardson**



**Friday - 11/04** - 2011 President's Party at Longaberger Alumni House

**Sunday - 11/06** - Columbus International 5K at Veterans Memorial and downtown river trails.

## President's Corner



In his book, "The Creators: A History of Heroes of the Imagination," Daniel J. Boorstin relates a folkloric tale of a battle of the wits. In his recounting of the tale, Boorstin tells how Alexander the Great, in his march of destiny and conquest encounters an eastern king of renown. It is a moment of truth – a moment where either diplomacy or frenzy will triumph. Both rulers decide that rather than jump into battle, they will first call forth their best artisans, give them both the same raw materials, and then judge which culture is superior, based on the outcome of the assignment.

The tents are pitched and the competition begins. Both artists work in seclusion from sunrise to sunset, until finally, three days have passed and the moment of truth has arrived.

With great pomp and circumstance, the rulers come forward and prepare to unveil the work that has been prepared for the judging. Alexander chooses to go first. With a great flourish, his countryman removes the veil covering his work to reveal the most elegantly beautifully crafted shield the world had ever seen. It is a triumph of craftsmanship, and Alexander is greatly pleased, certain the artist of the eastern king can never come close to such an accomplishment.

With great calm, the Eastern King nods in the direction of his chosen artist, who with dramatic flair, removes the veil to reveal ... nothing. Pure, empty space. As the bewildered crowd looks on, the eastern artisan then takes the veil and approaches the newly created shield and begins to polish it with fervor. Soon, the Greek's perfect shield is even more perfected, with such a glistening shine, it actually is mirror-like in its ability to reflect all who gaze upon it.

A hush falls over the crowd, as the onlookers wonder how Alexander will respond to seemingly being bested. He stands toe to toe with the Eastern King. Then smiling, they both take a step back and bow in recognition of the unique gifts each of their respective cultures has to offer.

Our Kiwanis Club represents a tradition that bears mentioning – gathering together to share time with one another. Beyond the "breaking of bread," we also gain another important source of nourishment: the good conversation, debate and dialogue that occurs when we're able to share our own unique perspectives. To my way of thinking, that's what the founders of Kiwanis intended in establishing our "Fourth Permanent Object," which says, "To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship." To me, we

realize this even more fully when, like the encounter of Alexander, we see the value of different perspectives, different talents and different world views. So here's to citizenship, and active participation and sharing of ideas that bring us strength for the long haul.

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(1997, 2003) and a conference semi-finals appearance in 2002.

Born on April 9, 1960 in Toronto, Ontario, Howson played three seasons in the Ontario Hockey League as a forward with the Kingston Canadiens from 1978-81, serving as team captain and earning OHL All-Star honors. Following his junior career, he signed a free agent contract with the New York Islanders and spent the next five years playing at various levels throughout the organization.

During his rookie season in 1981-82, he was named the International Hockey League's Rookie of the Year after registering 55-65-120 in 71 games with the Toledo Goaldiggers. He was the league's second-leading scorer that year and helped Toledo capture the league championship. Howson also won a Central Hockey League title with the Indianapolis Checkers in 1982-83. He made his NHL debut with the Islanders during the 1984-85 season and tallied 4-1-5 and two penalty minutes in eight games. He added 1-2-3 and two penalty minutes in 10 games the following season before retiring as a player in 1986.



Howson earned his bachelor's degree in 1987 from York University and is a 1990 graduate of the university's Osgoode Hall Law School. He and his wife, Antoinette Mongillo, are the parents of a son, Max, and daughters Rebekah and Joanna.

Pancake breakfast set by University Kiwanis Club ...

It's hard to get a better deal: All you-can-eat pancakes for the low, low price of \$5 per person. Wow, where and when can I get that deal?



Just come to the University Kiwanis Pancake Day on Sunday, November 6. The event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Wellington School located at 5650 Reed Road in Upper Arlington.

Why not come to the Columbus International 5K that morning, help us with, or participate in, the event so that you work up a big appetite, and then head over to Wellington School to get your fill of delicious pancakes?



Do you know a high school student? Then you know a potential Key Leader! Kiwanis Key Leader is scheduled for weekend of November 11-13, and registration is now open. The event will be held at Recreation Unlimited and lead facilitator Josh Hiscock will bring his boundless energy and enthusiasm back to Ohio for this exceptional service leadership education weekend.

Now is the time to contact any high school groups you have access to – where your kids go to school, church groups, youth groups, scouting organizations, Boys and Girls Club members, and/or family members to identify those students who will benefit from this experience.

Students will have the opportunity to spend an entire weekend learning how to use their strengths and personality styles to make positive changes in their communities and the world.

There are thousands of high-school-aged students in Ohio who would be great candidates for Key Leader. Your assistance in locating students in your community will be greatly appreciated. Registration and additional information is all online at www.key-leader.org. Also available on the website are the THREE forms that students MUST have filled out, signed by parents/guardians and turned in at check-in on Friday, November 11. Forms will also be e-mailed to the addresses specified at registration.

Time is short. Registration will close November 8, or when capacity is reached. They fill fast, so register soon! Questions can be referred to ohiokeyleader@gmail.com.

“Shred-it” Day big success ...

On Saturday, October 22, 19 Kiwanians teamed up with 13 members of the Boys & Girls Club Key Club, four members of the Capital University Circle K Club and 22 members of Delta Chi Fraternity to lend a helping hand with the bi-annual “Shred-it” Day conducted by WCMH TV-4 and *Shred It*. More than 60 other volunteers from various companies and organizations were also on hand to make it all work.



During the six-hour event, 4,830 cars passed through, dropping off a wide variety of personal documents to be shredded and recycled. More than 115 tons (230,000 pounds) of paper was shredded, an amount equal to 1,150 trees. In addition, television personalities collected more than \$7,220 in donations for Nationwide Children’s Hospital.

“Shred-it” Day is held each spring and fall to allow for the safe destruction of documents which could, if not properly destroyed, lead to identity theft.

One result of the day was Kiwanian Jim Skidmore having the opportunity to mention the Kiwanis Club of Columbus during an interview that aired on both the 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. news. Way to go, Jim!

Kiwanis Night at OSU Basketball ...

College basketball is just around the corner, and now is the time to start planning for Kiwanis Night at Ohio State Basketball. Kiwanians from around central Ohio will be taking advantage of group tickets being purchased for the OSU versus Jackson State game on Saturday, November 18, at 9 p.m.



Tickets are \$15 and be ordered through Paul Bohlman. Payment must be made at time of ordering and must be ordered prior to Tuesday, November 8.

2011 President’s Party ...

There is still time to purchase your tickets for this year’s President’s Party honoring past president Tim Barhorst and the accomplishments of the 2010-11 administrative year that ended on September 30.

The event will be held on Friday evening, November 4, at the Longaberger Alumni House, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Invitations were mailed several weeks ago. If for some reason you did not receive yours, please let us know. Reservations and payments are due by October 31.

Green laundering ...

Clothing used to be washed on the washboard, but luckily for us, that time has passed and the washing machine is now a great tool to clean our clothing. Unfortunately, this is bad for the environment as it wastes water, wastes energy and releases chemicals into the environment. There are ways to save money and wash clothes in a more environmentally friendly manner.

The typical American household does nearly 400 loads of laundry per year, using about 40 gallons of water per full load with a conventional top-load washer.

Front load, or horizontal axis, washers cut water use by nearly 40 percent or 20 to 25 gallons. That could save as much as 7,000 gallons of water per year. In addition, you save all the energy required to heat that water, meaning added savings for you and a big boost for the environment. The appliance itself uses less energy than conventional washers - approximately 50 percent less, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

When buying a new washer:

- Look for high-speed spin cycles that remove more water from fabrics, so less energy is needed for drying.
- Select a washer that allows control of the water level and temperature. Look for energy-saving features like pre-soak, "suds saver," and cold water settings.
- Don't be misled when shopping for an energy-efficient appliance. Names like "Energy Miser," "Energy Saver" and "Fuel Saver" don't necessarily guarantee savings. The best way to determine energy efficiency of appliances is to compare information provided by EnergyGuide labels.
- Because washers are most efficient when they are fully loaded, you should match the size of the washer to your family's needs.

Mid Year Education Day set ...

The date for the Ohio District Mid-Year Education Day has been set for Saturday, March 10, 2012. It will again be held at the NorthPointe Conference Center in Lewis Center, OH. Details regarding price and time will be forthcoming. Please mark your calendars now. This is a great opportunity for current and future Club leaders to learn more about Kiwanis, to meet Kiwanians from around the state and to share ideas on what does and doesn't work.

Division 10-W Council meeting ...

The first of four Division 10-W Council meetings for the 2011-12 administrative year will be held on Wednesday, November 9, at Schmidt's in German Village (6:30 p.m.). Reservations are due to **Paul Bohlman** by November 1, if you are interested in attending.

Old proverb: Woman who cooks carrots and peas in same pot – very unsanitary.

Next week's meeting

(November 7, 2011)

Speaker: Dr. Clay Marsh

Center for Personalized Health Care

Greeters: Joyce Bougault - Helping Hands

Kathleen Roberts - The Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges

Invocation: Volunteer needed

Committee Meetings: None scheduled

Menu: House salad, flank steak, chimichurri

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