

# 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."

## “Building for our future.”

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



November 17, 2014

## DUANE CASARES

### Directions for Youth & Families



Duane Casares, MSW, LISW-S, serves as the CEO of Directions for Youth & Families (DFYF), a non-profit social service agency that provides counseling, case management, psychological, psychiatric and prevention programs to Central Ohio families. DFYF serves more than 7,500 youth annually through their resiliency-based, trauma-informed programming. Specific programs address drug/alcohol abuse; sexual abuse; domestic violence; anger management; grief due to Homicide; pregnancy prevention; teen parenting; kindergarten readiness and parenting education. DFYF also runs two after-school programs offering homework assistance, music lessons, art, dance, fitness and nutrition classes.

Casares has held the CEO leadership role for three years. He has been with DFYF since 1990, holding the position of Clinical Director for most of his tenure. He has been an adjunct professor in the College of Social Work at The Ohio State University for seven years, and has spoken nationally on issues of Cultural Competency; Effective Management in Creating Healthy Work Environments; and Values, Beliefs & Boundaries.

Originally from Toledo, Ohio, Casares came to Columbus to attend OSU in 1977 and has made Columbus his home. He has lived in Clintonville for 22 years with Barb, his wife of 33 years. They have one son, Aaron, who is a senior at Purdue University, studying engineering. Duane is an active member of Maple Grove United Methodist Church where he serves on the Administrative Council, is an Adult Sunday School teacher, leads a young men's group and facilitates a monthly parenting support group.

His leisure time interests include golf, tennis and softball. He enjoys cooking, gardening, traveling and music. He is known to be a huge Buckeye fan, having made more than 60 road trips and missing only one game against the 'team up north' since 1977. Casares can be heard each week on *Columbus Perspective* on 97.1 The Fan.

### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Scott Lindsey** - Lindsey Law Office, LLC

**Elaine Young** – YMCA of Central Ohio

**Invocation:** **Susan Black** - Allene Professional Fundraising

**Speaker Introduction:** **Dick Tice** - Richard C. Tice, Co.

**Committee meetings:** Music & Arts

**Menu:** **House salad, roasted chicken mushroom with pan gravy.**

### A Glance at this week

#### Birthdays:

11/19 – **Tom Sherrill**

11/20 – **Ted Coons**

11/21 – **Mike Stevenson**

11/21 – **Wes Strickling**

11/23 – **Arnold Barzak**



**Tuesday** – 11/18 – Trustee and Committee Chair meeting – 5:30 p.m. – Florentine Restaurant – 907 West Broad Street.

**“A Wonderful Life:  
Live from WVL Radio Theatre,”  
a special Kiwanis social event ...**

Since 2009, audiences from Chicago to Miami have come to know and love Immediate Theatre Project's annual performance of *Live From WVL Radio Theatre: It's A Wonderful Life*. This fresh, new adaptation of the film is set in the fictional studio of WVL Radio Theatre, which is struggling to stay on the air one snowy winter's night. The professional voice actors are unable to get to the studio, but 'the show must go on,' and so a small, but intrepid band of employees manages to create the story's dozens of characters and scenes using just their voices and some everyday household items for sound effects.

Frank Capra's classic story asks us to take stock of what we hold dear, and demands that we examine our lives and our priorities. It reminds us that belief in family, in friendship and in people is not misplaced, no matter how bad things get. It allows us to trust that somehow 'good will win out,' and that patience and fortitude are worthy and abiding virtues.

The cast includes Columbus Academy alumna **Blythe Coons**, Tony Larkin, Lauren Kriel and Alan Law. The play is directed by Charlie Flynn-McIver and adapted by Willie Repoley. They have taken the show from Vermont to Virginia, and will be on their way to Wisconsin when they stop here in Columbus for this one-night stand, thanks to the urging of Lynn and **Ted Coons**. This is the stage Blythe Coons grew up on, and we would like to make it a special homecoming by having a great Kiwanis contingent filling the audience.



This special performance is one night only, December 16, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Schoedinger Theatre at Columbus Academy (4300 Cherry Bottom Road, Gahanna). Tickets are \$22 per person and can be purchased on line at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/860033>.

Please notify Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** when you order tickets so that he may give you the proper attendance credit.

**Unusual Ohio laws still on the books ...**

- By state law (not enforced), no one may be arrested on a Sunday or on the Fourth of July.
- It is illegal for more than five women to live in one house.
- It is illegal to fish for whales on a Sunday.

**It is bell-ringing time ...**

During the holiday season, members and friends of Kiwanis Club of Columbus become soldiers in the Salvation Army, storming the streets to staff the annual Red Kettle Campaign. This year, will mark our 39<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of providing volunteers for this outstanding cause.

This year we will see a change in venue; we will be moving to the two Kroger stores on either end of downtown. One is in the Short North (on High Street at King Avenue), and the other is in the Brewery District (on Sycamore Street, off of South Front Street). This will give us the opportunity to have More Saturday ringing slots, and Most of our weekday shots will Be clustered closer to Christmas. In addition to the two Kroger locations, we will have opportunities to ring at Nationwide Arena prior to two Columbus Blue Jackets games.



We are using the same online sign-up process as last year. To sign up, just click on the following link (<http://bit.ly/16KbFYt>) and type your name, email address and cell phone number next to the shift(s) you want. You will receive a confirming email in advance of your shift with specific details about this year's bell ringing program.

For additional information or specific questions, please contact Bob Wiseman at [wiseman@burkholderflint.com](mailto:wiseman@burkholderflint.com) or 614-358-2130.

*Once you lick the frosting off a cupcake, it becomes a muffin ... and muffins are healthy. You're welcome!*

**Kiwanis Day with the Buckeyes ...**

Mark your calendars and join fellow Kiwanis members from around Division 10-W for a Kiwanis day with the Ohio State men's basketball team.

On Saturday, December 13, we will be attending the game against Morehead State, with a tip-off time of 1 p.m. Special group discount tickets are \$24 per person. If we have 50 attendees, all youth will be able to take part in the Buckeye Tunnel at Half-time.



Please watch your e-mail for the link to purchase your tickets on line. If ordered early, you will be able to have them mailed to you; otherwise, you will be able to pick up your tickets at Will Call, the day of the game.



## Help build furniture ...

The Furniture Bank of Central Ohio will host members of Kiwanis on Saturday, December 13, as we help “build” various pieces of furniture.

You do not need any special carpentry skills to participate in this program, because the tasks are simple and well choreographed.

The Furniture Bank of Columbus serves 100 families per week and provides 1,500 pieces of furniture per week, as well. Ninety-eight percent of their clients earn less than \$24,000 per year.

The work will take place at 118 South Yale Avenue; we will begin at 9 a.m., and work until about noon or 1 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Shively at 614-469-0386 or at [jshivel279@earthlink.net](mailto:jshivel279@earthlink.net).

*“At the end of the day, taking 50% off of a \$250 dress still means you are walking out of the store \$125 poorer.”*

~~ Ian Lamont

## ‘Bethlehem on Broad’ brings joy ...

As each of us were growing up, we likely had countless photos taken at Christmastime of us opening presents, wearing new clothes, playing with toys, and in general, enjoying the holidays. They were moments to remember, moments we all treasure.

But not all children are that fortunate and many have never received the gift of a happy memory captured on paper.



On Saturday, December 13, Kiwanis Club of Columbus will partner with Broad Street United Methodist Church (501 East Broad Street) to conduct the annual ‘Bethlehem on Broad,’ a program designed to bring Christmas to those in need and to help insure a

memorable holiday.

We will be taking photos of children and families sitting with Santa Claus, and providing them with a framed photo as a holiday keepsake. We will need the help of many Kiwanians (family and friends welcome) to staff each of the five, two-hour shifts, with start times at 8:30 a.m.; 10:15 a.m.; noon; 1:45 p.m.; and 3:30 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Shively at [jshivel279@earthlink.net](mailto:jshivel279@earthlink.net), as we need at least four volunteers per shift.

## Thanksgiving at Manna Café ...

For most of us, Thanksgiving is a time to spend with family. Perhaps it includes a trip to the home of a parent, grandparent or child, or perhaps it is them coming to you. It’s always a day of bounty, filled with joy and good food. But for many, Thanksgiving is just another cold day spent trying to figure out where to get the next meal.



The Manna Café provides a hot meal to adults in need, and Kiwanis Club of Columbus will be providing and serving a delicious, nutritious meal to them on Wednesday, November 26.

Because of the holiday, we are expecting a large crowd. We will need volunteers to help make sure everything runs smoothly. So, if you are not traveling, or if you just need to get out of the house, why not volunteer to help make this Thanksgiving something special for a group of people who will really appreciate it?

**Jim Shively** will be coordinating our efforts. Please contact Jim at [jshivel279@earthlink.net](mailto:jshivel279@earthlink.net).

## Get a free tank of gas by planning your holiday shopping ...

With the holiday season comes the inevitable shopping and the difficult challenge of finding the perfect gift for everyone on your list. In some cases, you know the precise store to visit, and in others, you have no clue.

By utilizing Giant Eagle gift cards to facilitate your holiday shopping, you can handle most any situation while generating savings for yourself and earnings for Kiwanis.

When you know the store(s) you will be shopping in, consider using a Giant Eagle gift card to purchase retail cards to those stores in advance. Giant Eagle carries retail cards to more than 200 stores, restaurants and other retail services.



If you have no idea what to buy someone, why not give him or her a retail gift card purchased with a Giant Eagle gift card, or just give the person a Giant Eagle gift card and let them decide?

Each time you purchase a Giant Eagle gift card through Kiwanis, our Club earns 5 percent of the card’s face value. When you utilize the card for groceries, prescriptions, gasoline or other retail cards, you earn fuel perks that can reduce the cost of gasoline purchased at any Giant Eagle Get Go station.



## Volunteers needed ...

Coming off another successful Columbus Kiwanis College Fair is an opportunity for Club members to assist with a very important program.

November is Ohio College Application Month (OCAM), and Columbus City Schools is looking for community volunteers to make this new initiative a huge success. A total of 15 different CCS high schools will host application workshops for their seniors. The goal is to make sure *each* student has the support s/he needs to complete at least one college application.

Volunteers are needed to serve as mentors, to wear their college gear and to help with everything from greeting students, to assisting them with online applications, to providing advice on writing essays. Volunteers can provide any amount of time and any level of support. For a list of participating high schools and their application workshop dates, please contact Kate Webster at 614-205-5075 or [kwebster4146@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:kwebster4146@columbus.k12.oh.us).

This is an important step in the students' journey of realizing their college and career goals. You can find more information about Ohio College Application Month on the following OBR site: [https://www.ohiohighered.org/content/ohio\\_college\\_application\\_month](https://www.ohiohighered.org/content/ohio_college_application_month).

## Auction items needed ...

The annual Columbus Kiwanis Charity Auction is scheduled for Saturday, April 25, and while that may seem like a long way off, the Auction committee is already hard at work.

At this point, top priority is being given to securing items for both the silent and live segments of the evening. This year, a special effort is being made to develop "experiences" that will pique the interest of even the most timid bidder. Excursions, get-a-ways, adventures, romantic evenings and similar packages are being aggressively pursued.

As always, there will be plenty of gift baskets and unique items to bid on, and we need your help in securing them. If you have a specific item you think we should pursue, or have a contact for a possible donor, please let us know.

The sooner we can receive items, the sooner we can begin developing packages that will both intrigue and entice aggressive bidding.

Also, the holiday season is a great time to start building your invitation list. Attending an auction is always more fun when you are accompanied by friends and co-workers who share your interest in helping improve our community.



*"We are here on earth to help others; what on earth the others are here for, I don't know."*

~ W.H. Auden

## Next week's meeting

(November 24, 2014)

**Program:** David Warren – National Association of Independent Colleges

**Greeters:** Linda Kay - WesBanco Trust & Investment Services

Alice Hohl - SiteInSight

**Invocation:** Dave Timmons - G W Timmons and Sons

**Committee Meetings:** YCPO, Orientation Attendance & Retention

**Menu:** Wedge salad, meatloaf with oven roasted tomato sauce.

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