

# 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."

**“Bringing a century of service into the future.”**

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



**December 14, 2015**

## **RANDY DUPLER** **Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbus**



Dupler Office was launched by twin brothers Brandon and Randy Dupler in 2006. As a full-service office furniture dealer, Dupler Office offers professional space planning, consultation, furniture, professional installation and order management.

Launching a business and a brand from the ground up is an arduous task for anyone, but Randy's industry expertise and determined work ethic has successfully led Dupler Office through all of the start-up challenges, including finding the right space, hiring the right team members and making that critical first sale. Dupler Office is proudly celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> year in business and continues to serve its clients and community with a passion for creating great places to work, heal and learn.

Before his most recent venture as an entrepreneur, Randy worked with Continental Office Environments for eight years. There, he was responsible for leading a multi-million dollar market segment in the national accounts division. He served as an integral part of the company's growth as a member of the Senior Leadership Team, which included the top four personnel with Continental Office Environments.

Randy has been active in the Columbus community for many years as a volunteer with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbus, and is currently serving as Board Chair. Randy is a member of the Go Red for Men organization within the American Heart Association. In addition, Randy, along with Dupler Office, supports many different organizations serving Central Ohio, such as The United Way, Pelotonia, Souper Heroes and The New Albany Foundation, just to name a few.

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:**

**Bob Wiseman** - Burkholder Flint Associates  
**Neil Distelhorst** - Retired, Deloitte & Touche

**Invocation:**

**Kathleen Roberts** - Sweetbriar Group LLC

**Committee Meetings:** Membership (1 p.m.)

**Menu Options:**

**Hot:** Iceberg salad, grilled pork loin with a mustard cream sauce  
**Cold:** Turkey Caesar wrap with side of fruit

### A Glance at this week

**Birthdays:**

12/14 - **Dan Ward**  
12/17 - **Mike Becker**  
12/19 - **Kathleen Roberts**  
12/19 - **Joyce Waters**



**Tuesday, 12/15/1967** - The Silver Bridge over the Ohio River collapsed, killing 46 people.

**Thursday, 12/17** - 5:30 p.m. - Third Thursday Social Event - Old Bag of Nails - Nelson Road at Broad Street - bring a guest.



## Centennial Nugget #2

In 1923-24, Edmund F. Arras served as the President of Kiwanis International. Mr. Arras had previously served as a Kiwanis International Trustee, beginning in 1920.

Mr. Arras was a **charter** member of Kiwanis Club of Columbus. As a graduate of The Ohio State University Law School, he owned a large rental agency in Columbus and he served as President of the Columbus Realtors organization in 1927. However, despite his obvious leadership skills, he never served as President of Kiwanis Club of Columbus.

*I'm dreaming of a white Christmas.  
But if the white runs out, I'll drink the red.*



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Currently, Randy is actively involved in the Entrepreneurs' Organization, where he has served as Finance Chair, Education Chair and Chapter President. In addition, Randy holds the position of Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 166 in Bexley, Ohio. As Scoutmaster, he oversees the advancement of 33 Scouts on their journey to Eagle Scout ranking, which is the highest honor in scouts. Along with his son, Randy enjoys monthly campouts, and community events where the troop members volunteer their time.

As a resident of Bexley, Randy is a member of the Broad Street Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Amy, have three children in Bexley Public Schools, where they volunteer their extra time with various programs.

*My kids are always accusing me of having a  
"favorite child," which is ridiculous because  
I don't really like any of them.*

## "Kiwaniis Night" with the Buckeyes ...

Special arrangements have been made for a "Kiwaniis Night" at the December 27 Ohio State men's basketball game against South Carolina State: tip-off is set for 6 p.m. Kiwanis members (*along with their friends and family*), will be sitting in Club Level 200, just below the suites.



Tickets are \$35 each and a special order form will be available soon on our website (*go to the Activity Calendar and click on the December 27 date*). Checks should be made out Kiwanis Division 10-W and sent to Faith Levine at 836 Lindendale Court, Columbus, OH 43209

We hope you will join Kiwanians from around central Ohio to cheer the Buckeyes on to a win.

Additional Division 10-W events are in the process of being scheduled - the OSU Women's basketball game vs. Rutgers (Sunday, January 10) and OSU Men's hockey game vs. Minnesota (mid-February).

*On a cold winter morning, Joe received a text from his wife that said, "Windows frozen, won't open."*

*Being somewhat of a handy man, Joe responded with some sound advice, "Gently pour some lukewarm water over it and gently tap edges with a hammer."*

*About 15 minutes later, his wife responded, "Computer really messed up now."*

## The way we were ...



We are still trying to identify this Kiwanian as a child. So far, we have two correct guesses. When we get to five, we will hold a drawing for a free Kiwanis lunch. Can you identify this Kiwanian? If so, e-mail your answer

to Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman**. Oh, here's a clue that should prove helpful: *My first job was picking up cow pies in a local pasture. My second job was cleaning chicken coops, and I have been shoveling it ever since.*"

## Third Thursday social events have returned ...

The once popular Third-Thursday social events have returned! The kick-off event was held in November with 'Bowling at the Booth.' The next event is scheduled for Thursday evening, December 17, at The Old Bag of Nails, located at 18 North Nelson Road (Bexley area – just North of Broad Street).



These events are open to all members of the Club and their guests. They are a great way to get to know your fellow Kiwanians and/or to introduce friends and co-workers to Kiwanis.

We will begin at 5:30 p.m., and go until the last person leaves. So plan to stop in and have one or two adult beverages, an appetizer and perhaps even dinner.

## Support the wait staff ...

Periodically throughout the year, we have collected and set aside money to be presented during the holiday season to our hard-working and dedicated wait staff at the ACC. Each week, they have the room set up for us and ready to go, and then move effortlessly throughout the room, serving our meals without interrupting conversations and/or committee meetings.



While a very small gratuity amount is built into each week's lunch fee, that amount is shared with all ACC wait staff and does not go entirely to those who serve us.

To round out our collections to date, we will be placing envelopes on the table each Monday in December. There is no obligation to give; however, we hope the holiday spirit will move you in that direction.

All funds collected will be presented at the December 21 meeting.

*When you stop believing in Santa, you get underwear.*

## Holiday parties are good for Kiwanis ...

This is the season when many of us will be going to various holiday parties ... at work, at church, in the neighborhood, with old friends and with family. There will be lots of idle chit-chat and plenty of opportunity to mention your delight in being involved with Kiwanis.



Most people have heard of Kiwanis but have no idea who we are or what we do. Once they hear our story, they become interested. Why? Because most people want to find ways to give back to their community. Most people want to belong to an organization that is doing good things. Most people want to have that sense of belonging.

Most people want to network and meet new people. Most people want to hear presentations that provide insight into our community and our world, to help them feel connected and informed. There's one place where all of this can happen ... Kiwanis Club of Columbus.

So, this holiday season, be sure to have your 'elevator speech' ready ... that 30-second summary of what Kiwanis is all about, or what it means to you ... enough to get their attention and pique their interest. You will be surprised at the follow-up questions and extended conversations it will lead to, as well as the opportunities to welcome new members.

## Perfect attendance ...

It is still very early in the 2015-16 Kiwanis administrative year, but it is never too early to talk about "perfect attendance." It does sound overwhelming ... the need to be someplace "all of the time." But fear not, the process of achieving perfect attendance is a simple one and can be readily achieved through systematic participation.



Here is how 'perfect attendance' is calculated: We meet for lunch on 48 of the 52 Mondays each year, taking off for Christmas, New Year's, Memorial Day and Labor Day. Depending on how other holidays fall, we may occasionally have another Monday where our meeting is postponed. So to earn 'perfect attendance,' one must accumulate at least 48 attendance credits.

That may still sound difficult, until you realize that you can earn attendance credits in multiple ways – attending a Monday meeting; attending a committee meeting or a Trustee meeting; attending a service project or social event; going on an inter-club or attending the meeting of another Club by yourself; attending a Division 10-W meeting; participating in the state convention or the international convention, etc. It is not uncommon for many of our members to earn more than a hundred attendance credits in the course of a year.

The key is to start now and be consistent. Make sure you attend at least one Kiwanis meeting, event or activity each week. Soon, it will become second nature and not only will you earn your perfect attendance tab, you will also gain greater insight into Kiwanis, build relationships, make friends and begin reaping the full benefit of your Kiwanis membership.

*Cleaning house while the kids are home is like shoveling the driveway while it is still snowing.*

## Kiwanis Ohio Governor to visit ...

Once a year, Kiwanis Clubs in Divisions 10-W, 10-E and 10-S combine forces to host the Ohio District Governor for their official visit to clubs in these three Divisions.

On Tuesday evening, January 19, Ohio Kiwanis Governor Amy Zimmerman will join us, and we would like to have a strong representation from our Kiwanis Club of Columbus. Each person attending will earn at least three attendance credits. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Details on the venue and dinner costs are still being finalized and will be announced shortly.

## Giant Eagle gift cards ...



The holidays are closing in and the pressure is mounting. ‘What should I give to that person who has everything?’ ‘What can I give to the babysitter that would be useful, or to the house-cleaner that wouldn’t be too silly?’ The answer is a Giant Eagle gift card ... they can be special-ordered through Kiwanis in most any denomination, beginning at \$10 and increasing in \$5 increments. Contact **Paul Bohlman** to place your order and remember to allow for some lead time, as it takes up to five days.

Wait, you have some bigger gifts to buy for children, grandchildren, aunts and uncles? Giant Eagle carries gift cards from a wide variety of merchants. You can use a Giant Eagle gift card to purchase these as well. Buy the Giant Eagle gift card from Secretary **Paul Bohlman**, then go to Giant Eagle to purchase the merchant card for Macy’s; Applebee’s; iTunes; Sears; Chili’s; Best Buy; AMC Theatres; Babies “R” Us; Bass Pro Shops; Graeter’s; Old Navy and many others. There is a merchant gift card for every person on your shopping list. The more you buy, the more you save on gasoline and the more the Kiwanis Club earns.

So, start shopping the Giant Eagle gift card method today!

*Dear Santa –*

*All I want for Christmas is a fat bank account and a skinny body. Let’s not mix them up like you did last year.*

## Meeting Schedule ...



The holiday season is a time for family, travel and relaxation. It is a time to regroup and to get ready for the start of a new calendar year. Our year-end Kiwanis meeting schedule will be as follows:

Monday, December 21 – Columbus Children’s Choir –  
Holiday presentation

Monday, December 28 – **NO MEETING**

Monday, January 4 – Jeff Rimer - play-by-play voice of the  
Columbus Blue Jackets on Fox Sports  
Ohio

*Nine out of ten husbands agreed that their wives are  
always right. The tenth one hasn’t been seen  
since the survey was conducted.*

*You have to be odd to be number one.*

## Next meeting

(December 21, 2015)

### Program:

**Columbus Children’s Choir**

### Greeters:

**Neil Distelhorst** - Retired, Deloitte & Touche

**Fil Line** – ROI Realty Services

### Invocation:

**Joyce Waters** – Johnson Investment Counsel

**Committee Meetings:** Public Relations (1 p.m.)

### Menu Options:

**Hot:** House salad, beef stir fry with soy  
steamed rice

**Cold:** BLT on Sourdough/ Pasta Salad

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