

The Bulletin

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus

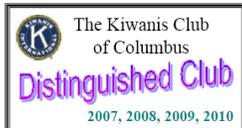


"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world - one child and one community at a time."

"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

January 14, 2013



MIKE RANKIN

Registrar, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles



On January 10, 2011, Mike Rankin began work as the leader and registrar of the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles, a position he previously held for more than two years under former Ohio Governor Ted Strickland.

Prior to returning to the BMV, Mike served as the Assistant Secretary of State for former Ohio Secretary of State Jennifer Brunner. In that position, Mike helped lead and direct the work of the office that oversees elections in Ohio and handles various business registrations, among other things.

Mike has 31 years of experience as a practicing attorney and community leader, along with a lifelong dedication to helping others. He is a graduate of The Ohio State University and the University of Toledo School of Law, where he worked his way through, first as a jail counselor and then as a judicial law clerk.

Mike has served the public in a variety of capacities, including: Assistant Lucas County Prosecutor; Special Prosecutor for the city of Columbus; and as a 12-year member and former chairman of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. He helped lead Ohio's busiest court system, the Franklin County Municipal Court, as chief deputy for Clerk of Court Lori M. Tyack, and set up three in-house legal departments during his tenure. Mike is also a police academy graduate, police academy instructor, CLE presenter and community college instructor in criminal justice, real estate and business law.

Mike is a member of the Columbus Rotary and has served on the national board of directors for the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators. He is a co-founder of Ohio's first formal child protection group, the Mid-Ohio Amber Alert, and has served on the Governor's State Amber Alert Board and Steering Committee since 2003.

Mike is married and is the father of two adult children.

Today's Meeting

Greeters: **Jim Skidmore** – Retired,
Neil Distelhorst - Retired, Deloitte & Touche,

Invocation: **Alice Hohl** - SiteInSight

Committee meetings: Music & Arts, Homeless,
International Relations

Menu: **House salad, pecan-crust chicken with bleu cheese cream sauce**

This week at a Glance

Birthdays:

01/14 – **Bill Gillam**

01/18 – **Roy Smoot**

01/19 – **Janie Bailey**



01/23 – **Ellwood Lewis**

01/24 – **Tim Barhorst**

01/25 – **Lisa Jolley**

01/25 - **Sam Vogel**

01/25 – **Carol Whetstone**

No meeting
1/21/13

Focus on Kiwanis

The Columbus Kiwanis Foundation ...

The annual meeting of the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation will take place on **Monday, January 14**, as part of our regularly scheduled Kiwanis luncheon meeting program. All Club members are voting members of the Foundation, and along with receiving the annual Foundation report, we will be electing (or re-electing) Foundation Trustees. Following the luncheon meeting, the newly elected and returning Foundation Trustees will meet to elect officers from among themselves.

There is a total of ten Foundation Trustees. Six of them are elected for three-year staggered terms. In addition, the Club President, President-elect, Vice President and Secretary serve as Trustees by virtue of their elected Club positions. One of the six elected positions is nominated by the Past Presidents Fraternity, and the remaining five are elected from the Club membership-at-large.

The Columbus Kiwanis Foundation provides the funds for the various scholarships and grants awarded by the Club each year through our committee structure. The Foundation has four major sources of funds:

1- The annual Charity Auction. This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, April 13, at the Columbus Country Club. In addition to a great dinner, there will be plenty of items available to purchase through both a silent and a live auction. All items are donated so that proceeds can go to the Foundation. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

2- The annual Corporate Regatta. It might be hard to understand how we hold a regatta on the front steps of the Columbus Metropolitan Library each year, but we do. Companies, organizations and individuals race small wooden yachts propelled by Super-Soaker squirt guns in an effort to be the winner of the double-elimination event. The entry fees generate revenue for the Foundation. This year's event is scheduled for Monday, August 19.

3- Member and non-member donations. Many members (and some non-members) make ongoing donations to the Foundation via the 1916 Society. The amounts vary in size and many make donations as memorials, in recognition of grandchildren or just as part of their ongoing philanthropy. Please refer to the history section of our web site for additional information and details.

4- Investment growth. The funds in the Foundation are invested in a conservative manner in an effort to generate growth year after year. We are fortunate to have expertise within the Club to help oversee our investment guidelines and to manage our funds accordingly.

Ohio Kiwanis Governor to visit ...

Each year, Kiwanis Clubs within Divisions 10-W, 10-S and 10-E hold a joint Council meeting to host the Ohio Kiwanis Governor and his/her spouse. This provides an opportunity for the Governor to have an "official" visit with each of the Clubs in attendance, and for us to hear, first-hand, any plans, goals and initiatives in place for the current administrative year.

This year's event will be held on Tuesday, January 22, at the Ramada Inn located on Sinclair Road. There will be a special meeting for Club Presidents with Governor Craig Wallace. That will begin at 6 p.m. During that time, as others gather, there will be a cash bar, and the general meeting will begin at 7 p.m.



Dinner will consist of an Italian buffet, and you will need to choose your main course (flank steak, bone-in herb-roasted quarter chicken, or vegetarian pasta). All meals are served with salad, rolls, roasted red-skin potatoes, cake or cheesecake for dessert, coffee or iced tea. The cost is \$21 per person.

Because this is a multi-divisional meeting, attendees will get three attendance credits. Reservations, including your meal choice, must be submitted to Secretary **Paul Bohlman** by Monday, January 14. He will then send you an invoice for the dinner cost to reimburse the Club for the expenditure made on your behalf.

Franklinton inter-club ...

We will be doing an inter-club with the Franklinton Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, January 16. They meet for lunch at noon at the Gladden Community House located at 183 Hawkes Avenue.



The speaker that day will be Columbus Police Chief Kimberly Jacobs.

If you are interested in attending, or gathering additional information, please contact our inter-club co-chair, Neil Distelhorst, by Monday, January 14. He will coordinate with the Franklinton Club so they know how many we will be bringing. You can pay for lunch at the door that day.

Charity Auction ...

It is an evening of fun and fellowship, with an opportunity to purchase some unique items while benefitting the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation and helping thousands of young children throughout central Ohio. It is our annual Charity Auction, scheduled for Saturday, April 13 at the luxurious Columbus Country Club.

This is one of our Club's two major fundraisers, and all proceeds from the event will be invested in the community as part of next year's grant and scholarship program. The Auction's success is critical to the success of our Club and the impact we are able to have on our community. So, it is important that all Club members support the event to the extent that they can. Here are ways YOU can help:



1- Serve on the committee – This year's committee is being co-chaired by Tom Hayden and Andy White, but like any committee, all of the work cannot be done by the co-chairs alone ... it takes a team. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact either Tom or Andy. Or, you can join the committee by editing your personal profile on the Kiwanis web site (www.ColumbusKiwanis.org).

2- Donate an item – Much of the success of the auction is driven by the wide variety of unique items secured for bidding. There is something for everyone, and finding and successfully bidding on your special item(s) can be exhilarating. But before we can auction an item or service off, we must first have that item or service donated. If you have an item or service you would like to donate, please contact us early so that we are aware, and so that your item or service can receive the maximum amount of exposure. Not all items need to be big. Many times, we will package small items with other items to make an exciting presentation or package. The value of your donated item is tax deductible and you will receive a letter for your tax records.

3- Identify individuals and companies who might be able to donate an item – We all have friends, business associates and others we know who are capable and willing to donate items for our auction. But they need to be asked. Members of the Auction committee are happy to do the asking, once we know who the person or business is. If you would prefer to "make the ask" yourself, that is fine. Or perhaps you might prefer to make the introductions and let a committee member make the pitch. The bottom line is that you can help by providing leads and opening doors. If you have a prospect, please let us know.

4- Be a corporate sponsor – Being an auction corporate sponsor provides you, your company or your organization with significant exposure and recognition. For details regarding the sponsorship levels, please contact one of the committee co-chairs, Tom Hayden or Andy White.

5- Plan to attend the event – Your presence at the event is encouraged. Our auctions are wonderful evenings and a great opportunity for your spouse, or significant other, to enjoy the fellowship of Kiwanis. Details regarding time, dinner options and cost will be included in the formal invitation scheduled to go out in March. For now, please mark your calendars and start working on item 6 below.

6- Invite friends, family members, business associates and customers to attend. Our auction is open to all, and you are encouraged to help us spread the word. Ask your friends, relatives and co-workers to join you in this fun evening. But don't wait until the last minute. Start now by mentioning the event to them and getting it on their calendar. Perhaps you can fill a table (8 people) with your own friends, co-workers or business associates.



Reminder ...

Monday, January 21, is Martin Luther King Day and in observance of this Federal holiday, Kiwanis Club of Columbus will not meet.

We hope you have an opportunity to celebrate this day with your family.

Giant Eagle and Kiwanis...

Purchase a Giant Eagle gift card through Kiwanis. \$100 gift cards are available weekly (see **Paul Bohlman**) Kiwanis receives \$5 for each \$100 gift card purchased. You get to purchase \$100 of groceries or gasoline. You earn Fuel Perks.

Smaller-denomination Giant Eagle gift cards are available, but must be special-ordered. Please see **Paul Bohlman**.

Kiwanis Mid-year Education Day ...

Every Kiwanis Club has things that work and things that don't work. Sometimes things work as planned and other times they don't. Sharing ideas and learning from others is a great way to develop a fresh approach to something old.

The annual Mid-year Education Day is designed for the sharing of ideas among clubs from throughout Ohio, and it is a great networking opportunity. This year's event will again be at North Pointe Conference Center (Route 23 in Lewis Center) on Saturday, March 9.

To register, go to the Ohio District Kiwanis website at www.ohiokiwanis.org and click on the conference link.

Upcoming speakers and programs ...

Kudos continue to be sent to the Program Committee for their outstanding job of lining up top-notch quality speakers week-in and week-out.

If you would like to know who will be speaking soon, you can check the activities calendar on our website. This is updated as soon as each speaker is confirmed, and that enables you to invite specific guests based on the program that day.

For easy reference, here are the speakers we have lined up for the next few weeks:

- January 21 – No Meeting – Martin Luther King Day
- January 28 – Thomas Weeks – The Ohio State Legal Services Association
- February 4 – Michael Flamm – Ohio Wesleyan University
- February 11 – Annual Valentine's Day Program
- February 18 – No meeting = Presidents' Day.
- February 25 – Melissa Ingwerson – Key Bank

If you have a subject you feel would be interesting to learn more about, or a speaker you feel would be good for our Club to hear, please contact either Program Committee Co- Chair **Fil Line** or Program Committee Co-Chair **Char Collister**.

Pancake inter-club ...

It has become a small tradition – an inter-club activity with the Marietta Kiwanis to help them prepare and sere pancakes during their annual "Pancake Days."

This year's event is scheduled for Friday, February 1 and Saturday, February 2. We will try to send at least one carload of people on Saturday Morning and we will coordinate vehicles and Rendezvous location once we know who will be going.



If you are interested in attending, please let us know.

*I wish the buck stopped here;
I sure could use a few.*

Next meeting
(January 28, 2013)

Speaker: Thomas Weeks
Ohio Legal Services Association

Greeters: Dave Ryan - Retired
Michaela McGinn
Rea & Associates

Invocation: Tim Barhorst
Business Partners, Inc.

Committees: YCPO, ELIMINATE, Inter-Club

Menu: To be determined

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