

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."

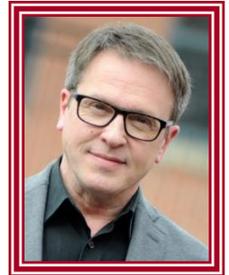
Noon to 1 p.m. luncheon meeting at The Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215

March 25, 2013



DAVID BROWN

Harmony Project



David Brown is a composer, conductor and producer with an impressive 25 year track record of creating original programming, concerts and events that unite participants and audiences to give back to their communities. He has an established reputation for creating collaborative, groundbreaking events that positively impact organizations and communities.

Brown began his professional career in Columbus during the 1980's, where he worked primarily in the Bexley community, leading hundreds of children and teenagers in musical performance training. While studying at Capital University, Brown worked as Director of Youth and Children's Programs at Bexley United Methodist Church and was an assistant director for the drama department at Bexley High School.

In 1990, Brown transitioned to New York City, where in 15 years he produced and directed sold-out concerts at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Apollo Theatre and Madison Square Garden, appearing on NBC's *The Today Show* and ABC's *Good Morning America*. He has directed choirs providing backup for pop artists, including Michael Jackson, Whitney Houston, Christina Aguilera and Marc Anthony. David Brown was selected as "New Yorker of the Week" for his leadership in uniting people through the arts, and is also a recipient of the national "Norman Vincent Peale Award for Positive Thinking" whose list of honorees also include President Ronald Reagan, President Jimmy Carter, General Colin Powell, and Madeline Albright. Brown's work has been featured in many publications and was highlighted in *O, The Oprah Magazine*.

In 2008, he served as musical director for Burt Bacharach's 80th birthday celebration in Los Angeles.

Brown returned to Columbus in 2009, with a dream of uniting the Columbus community by combining performing arts with volunteer community service. In December 2009, with no corporate financial support, he launched the "Harmony Project"

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Andy White** - Master of Public Administration  
Candidate - 2013, The Ohio State University

**Bob Eberhart** - Cook & Sladoje Co., LPA

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

**Committee meetings:** Young Children Priority One,  
ELIMINATE, Inter-Club

**Menu:** ACC house salad, grilled salmon, Meyer lemon  
vinaigrette, toasted quinoa

### This week at a Glance

**Birthdays:**

03/25 - **Jerry Durham**  
03/28 - **Fred Miller II**  
03/29 - **Dick Tice**  
03/31 - **Robert Smith**



**Friday** - 03/29/1882 - The Knights of Columbus were established.

**Sunday** - 03/31 - Easter Sunday

## Focus on Kiwanis

### Introducing Brandon Akey

Commercial Credit Analyst,  
Park National Bank

On whose bookcase are you likely to find “*Outliers*,” “*Freakanomics*,” “*Beyond Greed and Fear*” and “*The Millionaire Next Door*”? Perhaps you’re sensing a little bit of a theme here, so it won’t surprise you that Brandon Akey’s favorite saying is: “*A year from now, you will wish you started today.*”



I suppose that I would take comfort in a commercial credit analyst who cares about how the marketplace actually behaves and has realized that the idea of the rational decision-maker is a myth. But, less you start to paint Brandon into the corner as that ‘dry accounting type,’ keep in mind that he also plays flag football and softball in Columbus Young Professional leagues, was a gunner for the Regatta boat race, worked all three shifts for ‘Shred-It’ Day and participates in the Behavioral Health and Wellness Committee.

As you talk to Brandon, his passion for impacting people becomes quite obvious. So, we are quite thankful that **Carol Whetstone** invited Brandon to a Kiwanis lunch not long after he had settled into Columbus, from Wooster, Ohio.

Growing your business network can be quite a challenge for a new college graduate, but that’s where a Kiwanis membership really helps. Not only do you get to meet a variety of business professionals at the weekly lunches, but you also get to hear from a diversity of speakers and get introduced to numerous organizations. Even better, you get to deepen those relationships through volunteering together. There’s nothing like breaking a sweat together to seal a bond.

Look for Brandon to deepen his involvement over the upcoming year. After all, he only became a member in the fall of 2012. And, if by chance you happen to ask him to give you two words to explain him, don’t be shocked when he replies that, “*Two isn’t enough.*”

Oh, just one more caution: For the record, you may want to have your numbers in order if you’re looking for money from his committee. Those finance and accounting types can be a little finicky about that. Go figure.

*I was going to iron my four-leaf clover,  
but I didn’t want to press my luck!*

## Calling for volunteers ...



Think you won’t make a difference? Think again. Each year, Kiwanis clubs around the world (*we are International, you know!*) join in a day of service. In 2013, Kiwanis One Day is April 6. As part of this global effort, the Kiwanis Club of Columbus will join clubs and members in more than 80 countries – 600,000 men, women, children and youth – in reaching out to serve in our communities.

This year, on April 6, beginning at 8:30 a.m. (until about 2 p.m.), we will be volunteering at the Columbus Early Learning Center, located at Broad Street Presbyterian Church, 760 East Broad Street. The Center provides care for about 16 infants, aged 6 weeks to 18 months, and for 16 toddlers, 18 months to 3 years. There is spacious parking in the lot behind the church.

We are hoping for sunny weather, since most of the work entails being outside in the play area. We are indebted to Kiwanian **Scott Doellinger** for heading the removal or replacement of the sandbox, which is in the middle of the open play space. Other opportunities exist for digging holes for the placement of 3-4 round garden forms (*called pizza gardens!*), filling in the forms with topsoil, and painting two storage sheds. While these projects are underway (in the sunshine, of course), there will be some opportunities for scrubbing toys and play surfaces in the classrooms.

We will start with coffee, juice and donuts at 8:30, break for lunch (provided) about 11:30 or so and hope to wrap everything up by 1:30 p.m. So, wear your work clothes, bring shovels, rags and paintbrushes, and, if you’re thinking of scrubbing toys, some clean cloths and soap. You might want to bring work gloves, as well.

Should we have a totally miserable day (it’s Ohio, after all), we’ll have to reschedule for another time.

Contact Kiwanis One Day chair **Kathleen Roberts** ([kathleenkiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenkiwanis@gmail.com)) to sign up. This is a terrific service project, providing better play space for these toddlers.

## Welcome two new members ...

Our Club Trustees have approved the applications for two new members. Please make it a point to introduce yourself to each of them at an upcoming meeting:

1- **Adrienne DeAngelis** - Project engineer with Quandel Construction

2- **Jon Paul LaFramboise** – Investment Advisor Representative with Centric Financial Group, LLC



## A Greener Kiwanis Club ...

As a service club, we do many activities. Almost all of these activities can be accomplished with less environmental impact!

Areas where substantial improvement can be realized are in energy use, packaging and avoiding the creation of harmful pollutants.

- ♦ Reduce the necessity of members to drive or travel by holding meeting concurrently with scheduled Kiwanis meetings.
- ♦ Attempt to ride together or walk to meetings or events and avoid using a car at all.
- ♦ Conduct as many club activities by electronic communication as possible, avoiding mailing notices or bills.
- ♦ Do not use bottled water; rather, use pitchers or urns to dispense water.
- ♦ Do not use disposable utensils, cups, or plates when washable items are a feasible alternative.
- ♦ Do not 'over-package' auction items or other items being given or transferred.
- ♦ Adjust meeting room temperatures to avoid overly hot or cool rooms.
- ♦ Use non-polluting / non-harmful chemicals during Kiwanis clean-up, repair and construction projects.

Before doing, stop to think "Is there a way to do this with less energy, less packaging and without causing pollution?"

~~ Scott Doellinger

## 'Shred-it' Day ...

The central Ohio area has come to depend on the semi-annual program conducted by WCMH-TV4 to collect their confidential or sensitive documents and properly destroy them via shredding. Kiwanis Club of Columbus has a long-standing commitment to support this effort by providing volunteers for each of the three shifts.

This next 'Shred-it' Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, and it will run from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our shifts will begin at 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. We need 15 or more volunteers per shift and you can, if you so choose, volunteer for more than one shift. You can also bring your spouse, teenage children, friends and relatives ... we will have more than just Kiwanis members participating.

Please note that the venue has changed. This next 'Shred-it' Day will be held at Crew Stadium. If you are interested in participating, please be sure to sign up with **Scott Doellinger** at [sdoellinger@dgcolumbus.com](mailto:sdoellinger@dgcolumbus.com).

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with two concerts at the Lincoln Theatre. Both nights sold out, and a new chapter in the ongoing story of Columbus' diverse arts community was written.

In three years, the Harmony Project has grown into a national model redefining diversity and inclusion, while providing opportunities for everyday people to perform at artistic levels never before imagined. Thousands of hours of volunteer service have contributed to the strength of the Columbus community, as neighbors and neighborhoods have united to plant hundreds of trees, beautify recreation centers, serve meals, paint murals, build playgrounds and collect toys and bikes for local children and teens. Harmony Project's video programs have garnered 70,000+ views on YouTube, and performances include Mayor Coleman's State of the City Address, and in April 2013, the Harmony Project choir will open for Natalie Cole at Mershon Auditorium as part of the WexSTAR event.

Harmony Project presents two annual concerts featuring a 200-voice choir and 15-piece band, and provides after-school arts programming at South High School in partnership with City Year Columbus, as well as musical performance training and vocal coaching for residents of the Commons at Buckingham and Commons at Grant in partnership with the Community Shelter Board.

David Brown resides downtown, and is proud to call Columbus home.

## Auction getting closer ...

It's not so close that it's too late, but we are fast approaching the time when it will be, so stop procrastinating. There are three things you need to do right now!

- 1- Send in your reservation, or make your reservation on line (*check out our web site for the link*).
- 2- Invite some friends. Any event is more fun when you are sharing it with friends.
- 3- Donate an item, or help us get more items donated.



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## University Kiwanis to hold pancake breakfast ...

It is Sunday morning, the perfect day to sleep in, relax, go to church, enjoy the family. Who wants to hassle with cooking breakfast, cleaning-up and putting all those dishes away? And why would you do that when you can hop in the car and drive over to the University Kiwanis Club's all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast, where all you have to do is show up, sit down and eat, and eat, and eat?



Yes, it is the annual University Kiwanis pancake breakfast on Sunday, April 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Wellington School in Upper Arlington (Tremont & Fishinger). Tickets are \$5 per adult, \$3 per child and you can pay at the door.

## Wait staff gift ...

At today's meeting, you will find an envelope on your table for additional tips to our fantastic ACC wait staff. The money collected today will be held and presented along with the funds from a summer collection and a holiday season collection, at our final meeting of the calendar year. Let's show our appreciation for the fine job they do for us each week.



## Division 10-W Council meeting set ...

The next quarterly meeting of the Ohio District Kiwanis Division 10-W Council will be held on Monday, April 8, at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$18 per person and will include a family-style meal, consisting of fried chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes, dressing, green beans and assorted pies. There is also a vegetarian option, consisting of corn, green beans, steamed vegetables and baked potato. The meeting will be hosted by the Dublin, Greater Dublin, Hilliard and London Clubs, thus providing attendees with four meeting attendance credits.

This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about Kiwanis, meet leaders from area clubs and pick up ideas that might be applicable to our Club and/or a committee you serve on.

Reservations must be made in advance, and you will be billed for the meal afterwards. Please let Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman** know if you will attend. Reservations must be received by 5 p.m., on Friday, April 5.

**“The positive thinker sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible.”**

– Unknown

If you say  
“gullible”  
slowly, it sounds like  
“oranges.”

Tell me you  
didn't try that ...

## Next week's meeting

(April 1, 2013)

**Speaker:** Being finalized

**Greeters:** Jon LaFramboise

Centric Financial Group, LLC

Dan McCormick

Revenue Enhancements

**Invocation:** Chad Endsley

Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

**Committees:** Golf, Scholarship,  
Behavioral Health & Wellness

**Menu:** Iceberg salad, chicken pot pie

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