

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



April 1, 2013

ANDREW DOEHREL

Ohio Chamber of Commerce



Andrew E. Doehrel has served as president of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce since April 1993. Prior to his position as president, he was executive vice president and general counsel for the organization, in which he directed the Chamber's full-time legislative team.

In addition to his responsibilities as president, Andrew works with legislators, business leaders and government officials every day on issues affecting Ohio Chamber member companies. He also specializes in labor issues, including workers' compensation, product liability law, civil justice reform and regulatory practices. In fact, he has played a primary role in the passage of several key Ohio workers' compensation reform laws over the years and continues to be a key figure in refinement of the program.

Prior to joining the Chamber in 1983, Andrew was a partner in an occupational safety and health consulting firm. He also served as program director for Ohio's OSHA on-site consultation program, and spent four years as staff legal counsel for the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations. In 1991, he was appointed to the Unemployment Compensation Advisory Commission in Ohio, where he continues to serve as co-chairman of the commission.

Andrew graduated from Capital Law School in 1977 with a juris doctorate degree.

Established in 1893, the Ohio Chamber of Commerce is the largest statewide business advocacy group working to promote and protect the interests of its members, and to foster a strong, favorable business environment throughout Ohio.

Today's Meeting

Greeters: **J.P. LaFramboise** –
Centric Financial Group, LLC
Dan McCormick
Revenue Enhancements

Invocation: **Chad Endsley** Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

Committee meetings: Behavioral Health & Wellness,
Golf, Scholarship

Menu: Iceberg salad, chicken pot pie

This week at a Glance

Birthdays:

04/02 – John Gambaiani



Monday - 04/01/1970 - President Richard Nixon signed the Public Health Cigarette Smoking Act into law, requiring the Surgeon General's warnings on tobacco products and banning cigarette advertisements on television and radio in the United States, starting on January 1, 1971.

Thursday – 04/04/1818 - The United States Congress adopted the flag of the United States with 13 red and white stripes and one star for each state (then 20).

What's the difference between weather and climate? You can't weather a tree, but you can climate!

Focus on Kiwanis

Attendance ... why does it matter?

Often times we hear members say, "I just don't have time," "I can't get away from work," "I have another commitment at that time," etc., etc. Are these truly reasons why a person doesn't attend Kiwanis meetings, events and activities, or are they just excuses?

It is hard to say. We all live busy lives and there are many demands on our limited time. I recall one time trying to get several people to make a commitment to an event I was trying to organize. I could never get a definite answer – 'ask me later; I don't know right now; let me think about it; I'll have to check my calendar.' This went on for quite some time, and the event I wanted to put together never materialized because I could not find a time that was good for everyone.

Then one day I realized that the people I was asking simply had different priorities ... what I wanted them to do was not high on their priority list. They either had the time or would make the time if it was something they wanted to do.

To test my theory, I asked several of them if they wanted to play golf -- my treat -- on a particular day. They each said yes. Wow, all of a sudden they had time in their busy schedules! They didn't even hesitate, check their calendars or otherwise think about whether or not they had a conflict. Playing golf was a priority, and they would figure out later how to rearrange their schedules.

So, is Kiwanis a priority for you? Do you have Monday meetings, committee meetings, fund raisers, social events and community service projects on your calendar? Do you tell people you can't do something with them because you have a Kiwanis commitment? Do you maneuver your work schedule so you can attend something specific, such as a monthly Trustee meeting or an off-site committee meeting?

Many members do, and that is one reason why our Club is so successful. Others have less time to give and must be more selective in the activities they support. That's OK. Being a large Club, we have the luxury of absorbing the ups and downs of individual schedules. We all go through busy cycles and we all have last-minute conflicts that from time to time will arise.

Many service clubs have attendance requirements that allow for a small number of absences. If a member exceeds that number, they are no longer in "good standing" and may be asked to resign. They only want those who are going to be active and who can be counted on.

We want the same type of members, but we also recognize that lifestyles, job requirements, health and any number of issues can, from time to time, prevent a person from attending Kiwanis activities.

Our Club recognizes those with "Perfect Attendance," and we define perfect attendance as having 48 attendance credits during the administrative year, one for each Monday we meet (52 weeks minus four Monday holidays). We give attendance credits for attending a Monday meeting; participating in a committee meeting; helping with a service project; attending a Trustee meeting; attending a Kiwanis social event or fundraiser; serving as a greeter or providing the weekly invocation; participating in an inter-club; etc. In short, we are very generous in encouraging our people to be involved and in earning perfect attendance.

So why is attendance so important? It is what makes the Club work: it's about people; it's about teamwork and networking; it's about having fun; it's about giving back to the community; it's about supporting a worthy cause; it's about fellowship; it's about enjoying a good meal while hearing an interesting speaker; and much more.

We want every member to participate to the best of their ability, to engage themselves in the part(s) of the Club they find most interesting, most fulfilling or perhaps most challenging. We want our Club to feel like family; a place to go to relax with friends; a place to share common experiences; a place to grow through leadership and organizational development; and a place to network and seek advice. All this happens through attendance ... just being there, showing up and being available.

If for some reason your attendance this past few months has been lacking, why not make it a point to check out the activities calendar on our website and use it as a source for penciling in the meetings, events and activities you want to be present for? Then, make it a priority so that 'excuses' are never a factor.

See you at Kiwanis!

Upcoming events ...

Saturday, April 6 – Kiwanis One Day (see article).

Monday, April 8 – Division 10-W meeting – Der Dutchman

Saturday, April 13 – Kiwanis Charity Auction at Columbus Country Club.

Sunday, April 14 – University Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast at Wellington School – 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 16 – Club Trustee meeting at Heritage Golf Club.

Saturday, April 20 – 2013 Spring 'Shred-It' Day at Crew Stadium.

Honor thy mother ...



Limited-edition
Mother's Day
lapel pin

OK, let's be realistic. What could you possibly give your mother for Mother's Day this year that she doesn't already have? Kiwanis International asked that question and came up with an answer ... a Mother's Day Zeller Fellowship.

The Mother's Day / International Women's Day Zeller Fellowship is a limited opportunity to honor a special woman in your life. To receive a special edition Mother's Day Zeller, you will need to donate \$1,250 in full between April 1 and June 15 of this year to the Kiwanis International Eliminate Project. Your gift will help save or protect more than 690 lives. Other giving options offer the opportunity to impact 350, 175 or 100 lives.

When making your contribution, be sure to indicate "Mother's Day Zeller" in the "Designation" area. If desired, your gift may also be applied toward a Walter Zeller Fellowship at a later date. Be sure to indicate that you are a member of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus (#K00027). For additional information please visit www.TheEliminateProject.org/mothersday.

Have you purchased your auction tickets yet? You can do so on-line using a credit card at <http://tinyurl/ad8svu3>.

Time to renew ...



Each year during April, participants in the Kroger Community Rewards program must renew their participation in order for our Club to continue to receive a benefit from your shopping at Kroger.

Signing up or renewing can be done by visiting their site at www.krogercommunityrewards.com, clicking on "Ohio" and clicking on "enroll." All participants must have a valid online account at Kroger and must sign up online to participate. Our organization number is **80249**.

Once signed up, every time you shop at Kroger and swipe your Kroger Plus card, your purchases will go toward our Club's total. Then, based on our collective efforts and how we stack up against other organizations, we will receive a proportional amount of the funds being awarded by Kroger each quarter. It is an almost effortless way of supporting our Club.

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, 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 overseeing 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) to sign up. This is a terrific service project, providing better play space for these toddlers.

Etiquette 101: *With the receipt of a formal invitation, such as what was sent for our upcoming Charity Auction on April 13, a response is expected, even if you do not plan to attend. Have you RSVP'ed yet?*

What goes around, comes around ...

His name was Fleming, and he was a poor Scottish farmer. One day, while trying to make a living for his family, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby bog. He dropped his tools and ran to the bog.

There, mired to his waist in black muck, was a terrified boy, screaming and struggling to free himself. Farmer Fleming saved the lad from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

The next day, a fancy carriage pulled up to the Scotsman's sparse surroundings. An elegantly dressed nobleman stepped out and introduced himself as the father of the boy Farmer Fleming had saved.

'I want to repay you,' said the nobleman. 'You saved my son's life.'

'No, I can't accept payment for what I did,' the Scottish farmer replied, waving off the offer. At that moment, the farmer's own son came to the door of the family hovel.

'Is that your son?,' the nobleman asked. 'Yes,' the farmer replied proudly.

'I'll make you a deal. Let me provide him with the level of education my own son will enjoy. If the lad is anything like his father, he'll no doubt grow to be a man we both will be proud of.' And that he did.

Farmer Fleming's son attended the very best schools and, in time, graduated from St. Mary's Hospital Medical School in London and went on to become known throughout the world as the noted Sir Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin.

Years afterward, the same nobleman's son who was saved from the bog was stricken with pneumonia. What saved his life this time? Penicillin.

The name of the nobleman? Lord Randolph Churchill. His son's name? Sir Winston Churchill.

Someone once said:

*What goes around comes around.
Work like you don't need the money.
Love like you've never been hurt.
Dance like nobody's watching.
Sing like nobody's listening.
Live like it's heaven on earth.*

'Shred-It' Day ...

The next 'Shred-It' Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 20. We will again be providing manpower to fill three shifts, starting at 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. We need at least 15 people per shift. Please contact **Scott Doellinger** to sign up.

The Columbus Kiwanis Charity Auction is great social event. Why not invite some friends or relatives to attend with you?

Next week's meeting

(April 8, 2013)

Speaker: Mark Real – Kids Ohio

Greeters: Char Collister
The Collister Co.

Jack D'Aurora
The Behall Law Group LLC

Invocation: Fil Line
ROI Realty Services

Committees: International Relations, Homeless,
Youth Opportunity, Golf (afterwards)

Menu: ACC house salad, mustard-rubbed pork
loin, Granny Smith apple chutney, roasted
red skin potatoes

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