

# 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."

**“Great yesterday, better today, better still tomorrow!”**

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



**April 2, 2012**

## **Marci Ingram** **Autism**



Marci Ingram has actively supported autism research, fundraising and community outreach for more than 16 years. Her dedication and passion began when her four-year-old son was diagnosed with high functioning autism. At the time, one in 10,000 children was diagnosed and support resources were difficult to find. (Today, the number of children diagnosed is 1 in 110 children, and 1 in 70 boys.)

Marci has worked tirelessly, many times behind the scenes, to advocate for behavioral interventions for children on the spectrum. Marci and her husband Bill found specialists in California and over time laid the groundwork for qualified therapists to establish applied behavior analysis (ABA) at Nationwide Children's Hospital.

For the past four years, Marci has served in a leadership role for the "Walk Now for Autism Speaks" fund-raising event at the Ohio State University and set records for participation and grass roots fundraising. Combined, the events have raised nearly \$3 million – at a time when charitable giving and non-profit participation levels were declining nationally.

Marci personalizes the issue as she rallies support in the state of Ohio and in Washington D.C., for insurance coverage, funding and programming.

Over the past three decades, Marci has served on a variety of boards to support the arts, healthcare and the community. Her past board involvement includes Grant Riverside Hospitals, the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) and Ballet Met. She has also served in various fund raising capacities for United Way, including co-chair of the United Way Gala, captain of the Leadership Campaign and co-chair of the Young Leadership Pacesetters Group.

Marci was vice president and Human Resources director of Society Bank / KeyBank's Columbus District. She is a 1974

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### *Today's Meeting*

**Greeters:** **Cindy Sturni** - United Way of Central Ohio  
**Bob Wiseman** - Burkholder Flint Associates

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

**Committee meetings:** Behavioral Health & Wellness,  
Scholarship

**Menu:** House salad, grilled salmon, orange fennel salsa

### *This week at a Glance*

**Birthdays:**

04/02 – **John Gambaiani**

04/07 – **Kristin Piper**

**Wednesday – 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).

**Friday – 04/06/1947** - The first Tony Awards were presented, for theatrical achievement.

## President's Corner



Jamie Richardson

The film “*Almost Famous*” is the autobiographically inspired work which presents a fictional account of how rock journalist Cameron Crowe got his start – as seen through the misadventures of 15-year-old character, William Miller. I’ve taken the time to watch the film several times, and if I’m scanning through TV channels it almost always causes me to pause. (*A momentary lapse on my digital journey to C-SPAN 3 for Congressional Committee coverage and other scintillating fare...*)

In wondering why I’m drawn to the film, I think it’s probably because in some way I can relate to the timeframe (early 70’s) and the tension our cinematic hero encounters as he attempts to accelerate his catapult to adulthood – as all the while his loving (and anxious) Mom attempts to ensure that his maturation is measured and not too sudden. In one classic scene she rails against ‘acid rock’ in much the same manner I recall my Mom’s dismay that I was blasting out ‘Kansas’ on the 8-track player rather than the Carpenters.

Another compelling quality of the film is the music. I never knew that Elton John’s “Tiny Dancer” could be so inspiring. One scene spotlights the road-weary band, traveling by bus from sold-out show to sold-out show, – as toes start to tap and heads nod, someone ventures to chime in ‘count the headlights on the highway’ only to be followed by an eruption of sound as everyone croons in concordance.

Perhaps one of the more memorable aspects of “*Almost Famous*” is how 15-year-old William Miller strikes up a friendship with *Creem* magazine rock critic Lester Bangs. Bangs is a true mentor for our young reporter friend – admonishing him to be passionate about his work, and cautioning against becoming too friendly with the bands he’s writing about, and giving him spontaneous encouragement in times of discouragement.

Here’s one memorable exchange from when the two first meet...

**Lester Bangs:** So, you're the one who's been sending me those articles from your school newspaper.

**William Miller:** I've been doing some stuff for a local underground paper, too.

**Lester Bangs:** What, are you like the star of your school?

**William Miller:** They hate me.

**Lester Bangs:** You'll meet them all again on their long journey to the middle.

Source: IMDB

The work hints at the philosophical and along the way manages to tease out some truths about life in general.

There are two insights from the film I believe relate

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graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, with a B.A. in Human Relations, and remains active with her college sorority.

Born and raised in Wilmington, Ohio, she has been a life-long member of the Wilmington United Methodist church. Marci and her husband Bill and their son Chris live in New Albany, Ohio.

### 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 with the funds from a summer collection and a holiday collection at our final meeting of the calendar year. Let’s show our appreciation for the fine job they do each week.

### Quarterly pre-paid lunch plan ...

Tired of having to pay cash every Monday for your Kiwanis luncheon? Looking for a luncheon discount? Well, here’s your chance. The quarterly pre-paid luncheon program allows you to purchase your April, May and June lunches (12 meals) for \$120 provided you are pre-paid by the first meeting of April. That is a \$1 per week discount. Checks should be made out to “Kiwanis Club of Columbus” and submitted to Secretary **Paul Bohlman**, on or before April 2. Another way to look at it is ‘buy 12 and get one free.’

especially well to our Kiwanis Club of Columbus. First, the need for our own version of spontaneous collaboration – as we’re all headed down the road together, the efforts of one member inspire the efforts of others, until surprised by joy, we find ourselves metaphorically singing loudly and proudly in our volunteer efforts and dedicating time back to community.

Second – the importance of mentorship. Club trustee Dave Timmons, at our most recent Trustee meeting, noted the important role mentors play for our new members – introducing them to all our Club has to offer and making sure they get a true “backstage pass” to get connected and stay connected. Each of us probably knows more than we even realize, and on our march back to 200 strong, inviting new members to join is critical, but it’s equally important we retain our current base with strong levels of engagement.

Who knows if that will lead us to a path of being famous or almost famous. One thing’s certain -- we can be rock stars in our own right. As for me, I’m off to work on our concert T-shirts as our world tour continues. But unlike our gifted friends in the Ukulele Orchestra, my instrument of choice will continue to be the tambourine.

## Inexperience ...

Thomas Edison wisely said, “Many of life’s failures are experienced by people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.” Edison didn’t, however, spend his life performing the same failed experiment, in the same way; over and over again. *The wisdom of perseverance is adaptability.* These days, I’m including inexperienced people in my circle of friends. *They challenge me to adapt.* All I need to do is shut up and listen.

### Three Benefits of inexperience:

- Open minds.
- Quick to complain.
- Don’t know it can’t be done.

### Three Drawbacks of inexperience:

- Talking too much.
- Neglecting relationships.
- Discounting ramifications.

### Six strategies for leveraging the inexperienced:

- Character matters more than experience. Go with character.
- Core leadership competencies matter more than subject matter expertise. An ignorant person with leadership skills goes further than an expert who can’t lead.
- Challenge them to move through complaining to developing next steps.
- Avoid explaining what can’t be done.
- Fuel their courage. Encourage them frequently and listen intently.
- Give *and* receive constant feedback.
- Stop working hard to remain stupid. Leadership is about inexperience – doing things you haven’t already done – and learning as you go.

## 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 March 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](http://www.TheEliminateProject.org/mothersday).

## Division 10-W Council Meeting ...

The quarterly meeting of the Kiwanis Division 10-W council will be held on Wednesday, April 11, at the Crown Room in Washington Court House. It will begin at 6:30 p.m., and will include dinner at a cost of \$19 per person.

The Division council is made up of representatives from all 12 clubs within Division 10-W and is open to all members to attend. This particular meeting will include the election of the 2012-13 Lt. Governor and Lt. Governor-elect for our Division.

The meeting will be hosted by the Grove City, University and Hilliard clubs, thus giving each attendee three attendance credits.

If you are interested in attending, please let Secretary Paul Bohlman know by Friday, April 6. We will try to coordinate transportation by meeting in a convenient location and carpooling to Washington Court House.

## Got change?

We all have it ... a jar, a piggy bank, a canister of some sort that collects all of our loose change - those “useless” pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters we collect everyday when we pay the ‘old fashioned’ way, with cash.

There is always the good intention of someday sitting down, counting it all out, rolling it up and carrying it down to the bank or credit union to cash it in. But hey, that’s work and it will always be there tomorrow.



Now, we have an easy way and a good use for cashing in those coins. We will count them for you, and deposit them in the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation, giving you credit toward the 1916 Society, right down to the last penny. “Coins for Kids” is an easy way to put your loose change to good use. You will receive an accurate accounting of the coins you donate and a letter you can use for your taxes. That’s right, because the money will be going to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation, your gift is tax-deductible. So why not gather up that loose change in your couch, in the ashtray of your car, or from that dish on top of your dresser and bring it to a Monday meeting? Secretary **Paul Bohlman** will handle it from there.

## NEW GOLF RULES OFFERED BY THE SUSGA (Seniors' USGA) ...

In addition to specific USGA rules adopted by the SUSGA, these 'new rules' went into effect February 30, 2012.

**Rule 1.a.5** A ball sliced or hooked into the rough shall be lifted and placed on the fairway at a point equal to the distance it carried or rolled into the rough with no penalty. The senior should not be penalized for tall grass which grounds keepers failed to mow.

**Rule 2.d.6 (b)** A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed not to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree and play the ball from there.

**Rule 3.b.3(g)** There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, making it a stolen ball. The player is not to compound the felony by charging himself or herself with a penalty.

**Rule 4.c.7(h)** If a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The law of gravity supersedes the Rules of Golf.

**Rule 5.d.3(c)** Putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in, may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than three inches from the hole. No one wants to make a travesty of the game.

**Rule 6.a.9(k)** There is no penalty for so-called "out of bounds." If penny-pinching golf course owners bought sufficient land, this would not occur. The senior golfer deserves an apology, not a penalty.

**Rule 7.g.15(z)** There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior golfers should not be penalized for manufacturers' shortcomings.

**Rule 8.k.9(s)** Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior golfers, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.

Please advise all of your older friends of these important rule changes. Carry a copy with you at all times, to refer to with those non-members.

My wife was standing nude, looking in the bedroom mirror. She was not happy with what she saw and said to me, "I feel horrible; I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment."

I replied, "Your eyesight's darn near perfect." And then the fight started . . .

Two cows are standing next to each other in a field. Daisy says to Dolly, "I was artificially inseminated this morning."

"I don't believe you," says Dolly.

"It's true; no bull!" exclaims Daisy.

### *Next week's meeting*

(April 9, 2012)

**Speaker:** Mayor Michael Coleman

**Greeters:** **Okpara Rice**  
Starr Columbus

**Travis McIntyre**  
First City Bank

**Invocation:** **Bill Newman**

Lucas, Prendergast, Albright, Gibson, Newman

**Committees:** International Relations, Golf

**Menu:** Beef Stir Fry

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