

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!”

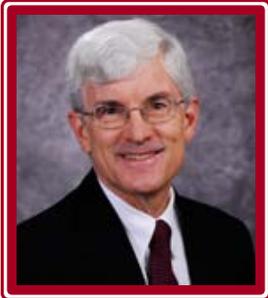
Noon to 1 p.m. luncheon meeting at The Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215

June 4, 2012

F. James Foley

President

Cristo Rey Columbus High School



Jim Foley is a native Ohioan who has lived in Columbus since 1982. He earned a Bachelor's degree in theology from the University of Notre Dame in 1974 and a Juris Doctor degree from Notre Dame in 1977.

He and his wife Vicki are members of St. Timothy Parish in Columbus. They are the proud parents of four children and grandparents of three. Jim has been active in parish activities, including acting as chair of the Parish Board of Education, being a member of the Parish Council and working with high school students in the parish. He has also worked on diocesan retreats for high school students.

Jim was selected to be the first president of Cristo Rey Columbus High School, taking the position on January 1, 2012. Cristo Rey is a Catholic, college preparatory high school for economically challenged students. It is part of the national Cristo Rey network of schools, the first of which opened 15 years ago in Chicago. Since then, the number of Cristo Rey schools has grown to 24. These schools are intended to address the fact that a college preparatory education has become completely unaffordable to the poorest in our society.

Cristo Rey students participate in a unique work-study program that gives them the opportunity to work five days a month at white-collar businesses, such as law firms, insurance companies, banks, universities, accounting firms and hospitals. This innovative arrangement allows students to pay most of their tuition, and it gives them exposure to a professional world they would never have experienced without Cristo Rey. The experience, knowledge and self-confidence they gain from their jobs will complement their education and help them graduate from high school, go on to college and succeed there as well.

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### Today's Meeting

**Greeters:** **Joyce Bourgault** - Helping Hands Health & Wellness Center

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

**Invocation:** **Donna Zuiderweg** - Columbus Metropolitan Library

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

**Menu:** House salad, smoked chicken Alfredo, roasted tomatoes, fettuccini

**Presentations:** Scholarship checks

### This week at a Glance

**Birthdays:**

06/04 - **Richard Rogovin**

06/06 - **Gregg Robins**

06/07 - **William Newman**

06/07 - **Sally Volpe**

06/08 - **Paul Bohlman**



**Friday - 06/08/1789** - James Madison introduced 12 Constitutional amendments in the House of Representatives. By 1791, ten of them are ratified by the states and become the Bill of Rights; another is eventually ratified in 1992 to become the 27<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

## President's Corner



Somehow, the scent of steam-grilled onions smelled even sweeter now that they had been returned, in a somewhat elliptical orbit, to their native state. Our pilgrim's progress tonight would be measured in burgers served.

My brother-in-law, John Kelley, and I were conducting a test – our first-ever in history “Crave Pallet” event, wherein we would ship White Castle grills and product to a remote locale, far from the nearest White Castle restaurant, and cook for a private party in exchange for a contribution to charity.

And so it was that we found ourselves in Bel Air, California, just off Sunset Boulevard, on this most glorious of Memorial Days – the grills sizzling, the freshly baked buns stacked neatly in their place and a tantalizing dance of anticipation as the gathering crowd – many unaware of the taste treat they were about to enjoy – wandered past with more than just a hint of curiosity.

We were stationed at the far end of the tennis court (our locale was rather a nice home) a southern anchor for the party. On the north end of the tennis court, the entertainers gathered – in keeping with the Americana party theme, rock bands of the 60's and the 70's arrived en masse. They should have all been dressed in vinyl as metaphor for albums sold – Peter and Gordon (sans Gordon, rest his soul), The Archies, Paul Revere and the Raiders and Herman's Hermits. At some point during rehearsals, Peter Noone of Hermits fame had exclaimed – “You realize we've collectively sold like over 200 million albums, but the real star tonight will be White Castle!” The pressure was on.

Our host, Frank Luntz, is best known as a political pollster who appears regularly on television news shows with groups of undecided voters in an attempt to gauge what messages from which candidates are resonating best. He is good at what he does, and many seek his guidance. He spends much of his time in Washington, D.C., in New York and around the world, but when in California, he's created a home that is a restful refuge and living tribute to his love for our country. As part of the theme for the party, we were invited to take a walking tour of his collection of American political art, letters and memorabilia. On one wall, a framed letter from Churchill to a political ally, on another, a World War I poster admonishing the purchase of Liberty Bonds –travel another 50 feet and spy a letter from Ulysses S. Grant, and nearby, an original printed broad sheet of the Federalist Papers - #98, published in 1788.

But one artifact jumped out at me more than the others – clay red and chiseled, a solitary brick from the original Capital steps resting on a letter from a Member of Congress – a quiet note of introduction so its meaning might not be

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He is a member of the Board of Catholic Social Services, where he has been board chair since 2009. He also sits on the Diocese of Columbus Catholic Charities Commission. Additionally, he has served on the Board of the Ohio Legal Rights Service Commission and chaired the Upper Arlington Charter Review Commission.

Jim has practiced law at the Columbus law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP, where he is a partner. He has taught law school as an adjunct professor at both Ohio State and Capital law schools. He has also written for and taught at numerous legal seminars. Prior to coming to Columbus, he was an attorney at the United States Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

lost. A brick that served as a path to freedom, and reminder of the virtuous steps good men and good women must perpetually travel if we are to safeguard what's best about our unique experiment in self-government. By contrast, we know all too well what serves as a force for good can also be a force for ill. And that bricks and mortar and concrete have been employed for far less nobler purposes. The graffiti-spangled barriers of East Berlin come to mind. And while those walls are now fallen, we must never forget the cost in human life and hope when the virtue of paving a path for liberty is expropriated--stolen by those who would use those same bricks as a bludgeon to liberty.

As members of Kiwanis, our focus on citizenship keeps the light of liberty alive. It's what provides us the constancy of purpose to celebrate what's great about our country at the same time we debate ideas and continue to seek the truth. And we know about the importance of paving the path to the future. It's what we do every day, with each service project, with each dollar raised to help the children of our community and the world and with our commitment to one another to be the very best we can be.

The American memorabilia tour completed, we wandered back to our White Castle hamburger station – and smiled as comedian Tim Allen stormed the grill and made off with six cheeseburgers, one he devoured as he jaunted away. “These are all for my wife!” he said with a twinkle in his eye. Here's to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, I thought, silently saluting as I raised my spatula in his general direction.

**Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day.  
Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't  
bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.**

## Breaking the news gently ...

Six retired Floridian fellows were playing poker in the condo clubhouse when Guido loses \$500 on a single hand, clutches his chest and drops dead at the table. Showing respect for their fallen comrade, the other five continue playing, but standing up.

At the end of the game, Giovanni looks around and asks, "So, who's gonna tell his wife?" They cut the cards. Pasquale picks the low card and has to carry the news. They tell him to be discreet, be gentle, don't make a bad situation any worse.

"Discreet? I'm the most discreet person you'll ever meet. Discretion is my middle name. Leave it to me!"

So, Pasquale goes over to the Guido's condo and knocks on the door. The wife answers through the door and asks what he wants? Pasquale declares: "Your husband just lost \$500 in a poker game and is afraid to come home."

"Tell him to drop dead," yells the wife. "I'll go tell him," says Pasquale.

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## Green Barbecuing or Grilling

Many of us enjoy the seared flavor of barbecued foods; however, barbecuing is a very pollution-intensive way to cook foods.

A number of variations can reduce the pollution burden of grilling, while letting us enjoy that unique flavor, using propane or electricity rather than charcoal. If you insist on charcoal, select charcoal that does not contain coal dust, but only wood products from invasive species or managed forests.



Use a 'starting chimney' with a piece of newspaper rather than lighter fluid, which has high VOC emissions and incomplete combustion-emitting hydrocarbons.

Next, 'green up' the food to be cooked. Buy sustainable fish, hormone-free meat and grass-fed meat for the grill. Better yet, skip the meat altogether and mix it up with locally grown veggies. Serve the grilled food with reusable plates, utensils and cloth napkins, if possible. If disposable plates must be used, then select products made from recycled paper and/or are recyclable, and do move them from waste containers into the recycling bin.

Enjoy the summer!

~~~ *Scott Doellinger*

The rest of the story ...

Each year, the committees of our Kiwanis Club allocate more than \$80,000 of our Foundation's assets to a wide variety of community grants and scholarships. It is easy to measure this because we have a rigid approval process and specific checks are written.

On top of this, our members generously donate their time to help run a variety of community service projects, ranging from ringing bells for the Salvation Army to taking family photos for the homeless, to preparing and serving meals at Manna Café. These hours add up and have significant value to the organizations we help.

In an *Independent Sector* (Independent Sector is the leadership network for nonprofits, foundations and corporate giving programs committed to advancing the common good in America and around the world) report of April 2012, the highly respected organization puts the value of an hour of volunteer service at \$21.74.

So far this administrative year (which began on October 1, 2011), our members have already completed 770 hours of community service. This is hands-on activity within the community and does not include all of the planning, committee meetings and follow-up needed for each event.

Applying the math, our members have collectively provided services valued at \$16,740. We have four months remaining in this administrative year and plenty of additional opportunities to continue building on this success. Let's keep on giving!

Division events ...

As members of Kiwanis, we are part of an International organization that spans the globe. Our Club is one of more than 8,575, with the distinction of being the fifth oldest. We can't forget that we are part of something larger; something that provides us with countless opportunities to learn, to share and to experience.



That is why it is so important for our members to participate in Division, State and International events, programs and opportunities. Recently, **Jim Skidmore** and **Paul Bohlman** represented our Club at the annual Division 10-W Prayer breakfast, where they paid tribute to the four members we have recently lost.

In addition to ongoing inter-club opportunities, the next major Division 10-W event will be 'Kiwanis Night at the Clippers' scheduled for Tuesday, July 17. More details for this family event will be available soon. Mark the date.

'Shred-it' Day volunteers needed ...

Saturday, June 9, will be the re-scheduled 'Shred-it' Day conducted by WCMH-TV4 and Shred-It. Originally scheduled for an earlier date in May, the date had to be changed in order to accommodate a decision by President Obama to use The Ohio State University as the kickoff location for his 2012 Presidential campaign.



The change in date has resulted in many of our volunteers having to back out, due to conflicts and things they already had scheduled for June 9. As a result, we are in strong need of volunteers to fill our three shifts, which start at 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., respectively.

This is a great opportunity for spouses, teenaged children, friends and neighbors to join in. If you would like to help out, please contact Scott Doellinger at sdoellinger@dgcolumbus.com.

2012 Regatta to set sail ...

It gets better every year, and 2012 will be no different! The 2012 Kiwanis Corporate Regatta is scheduled for Monday, August 20, at 11:30 a.m., in front of the Columbus Metropolitan Library located at 96 South Grant Avenue.

Entry registrations are now being accepted, and we hope to have one of the largest fields of competition ever. And that is where we need your help, in one or more of several ways:



1- If you have raced before, we hope you will race again. Please help us by signing up early, so that we can give you the full exposure you deserve. We will keep an active list of racers on the website and published in the newsletter.

2- If you haven't raced before, we hope you will consider joining us this year by registering your company.

3- If you know of a company who we should be inviting to participate, please let us know. If you have an inside track on who to contact, or would like to take the lead in making the contact, just let us know.

4- Put together a creative team. The Coast Guard veterans band together to sponsor a yacht each year, and there are opportunities to develop similar alliances. Perhaps a group of non-profits can get together to sponsor a yacht; how about a group from members whose last name starts with the letter "S" entering a yacht called the SS "S"? Let's have some fun and be creative. There are many ways to pull members and non-members together in sponsoring a yacht.

Don't forget, this is a great spectator event. Plan now to bring friends, co-workers and family members to cheer the racers on.

Why does a slight tax increase cost you \$800, and a substantial tax cut saves you \$30?

Next week's meeting

(June 11, 2012)

Speaker: Steve Buehrer – Bureau of Workman's Compensation

Greeters: Joyce Bourgault
Helping Hands Health and Wellness Center

Lisa Jolley
Columbus Foundation

Invocation: Tim Barhorst
Business Partners, Inc.

Committees: International Relations, Homeless

Menu: Turkey meatloaf, fresh tomato garlic sauce

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