

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



September 17, 2012

NICK REES **Buckeye Ranch**



In the spring of 2004, Nick Rees joined The Buckeye Ranch staff as Vice President of Development following his 24-year career with The Kroger Company. During his time with Kroger, Nick served in a variety of positions, including; accounting; human resources; advertising; public relations; media relations; sports marketing; marketing; and real estate. For 20, non-profit agencies throughout Ohio knew that 'if you wanted Kroger's support, Nick was the guy to ask.'

In 2009, Nick became The Ranch's third president and CEO, following Les Bostic and Rick Rieser. In his new role, Nick not only assumed responsibility for the entire organization, but he also maintained his old position as "chief fund raiser." He calls it "friend-raising."

The Ranch was founded by a group of women who, after searching for the community's greatest need, banded together to dedicate their time and resources to the troubled adolescents of Franklin County. In the early 1990s, the organization was further developed as the Intensive Care Center was built to treat both boys and girls with severe emotional and mental health needs. In 1994, the Ranch changed its name from the Buckeye Boys Ranch to The Buckeye Ranch to reflect the addition of girls.

The Buckeye Ranch is quickly becoming one of Ohio's largest and best-performing agencies, providing care for children who suffer from behavioral, emotional and mental health issues. The Ranch provides care for more than 3,000 children and their families each year, and has an annual budget of \$37M.

Nick calls Gallipolis, Ohio home. He graduated from Gallia Academy High School and The Ohio Dominican University. Nick and his wife, Lynne, live in Westerville.

Today's Meeting

Greeters: **Okpara Rice** - Starr Columbus
Joyce Waters - Johnson Investment Counsel

Invocation: **Kathleen Roberts** - Sweetbriar Group LLC

Committee meetings: Music & Arts

Menu: **House salad, citrus-glazed pork loin with bourbon peach compote**

This week at a Glance

Birthdays:

09/17 – Bob Barnes
09/17 - Brad Fisher
09/17 – Jerry Kuyoth
09/18 – Candace Pflum
09/20 – Willie Grove
09/20 – Mike Leymaster
09/21 – Mary Lee Hammond
09/23 – John DeSando



Wednesday – Program Committee meeting at OSU Club House - Noon

President's Corner



The sixth of our Kiwanis Permanent Objects is "To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill." One of the great gifts of the past year has been a firsthand view of the many and diverse ways our Club members do all they can to create goodwill. And we do this at every turn, without expectation of recognition or acknowledgment, but simply because it is the right thing to do.

The rapid response to a critical need - like providing dollars so moms can do laundry, so their children can experience the freshness of clean clothes whatever their dollar resources. Or Club members volunteering to work at Manna Café, feeding the homeless. Or creating a world-class college fair to provide our local high school students a bridge to pursuing their educational dreams.

The best part about this spirit of service is recognizing that it doesn't come from a place of pre-meditated posturing to earn "good works" badges - it is a reflex - a springing into action to help those most in need.

For so many of us, the month of September, and especially the just-recognized commemoration of 9/11, will forever serve as a lasting reminder of our call to service. I'll bet that for each of us, the memories of that devastating day - where we were, what we recall - are images that will never go away.

What I remember most was the sense of shock. Of being engaged in the work day as more news came through - not knowing how best to respond. At White Castle, we were on a conference call scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. We made a quick judgment call, in the midst of trying to decipher what all this meant, that in light of the news, we'd postpone the call.

People gathered in conference rooms, where TV's reported the unbearable visions of death and destruction. Some meetings continued - an odd pantomime, made all the more surreal by a smothering sense of helplessness. Eventually, around noon, the office closed.

On my drive home, American flags were everywhere - like a late spring eruption, flowering down from bridges, in neighborhood yards, flowing sorrowfully in time and in tune with our despair, on an otherwise pristine day. In Johnstown, gasoline prices were \$5.73 a gallon. Lines snaked around the block to fill tanks - local citizens taking consolation from one another that they were not alone. At long last, I reached Mt. Vernon. Brendan was not yet 2 years old - Kate was expecting Chloe. I crossed the threshold and we collapsed into each other's arms, sobbing uncontrollably, finally safe to

Update your photo ...

Our website directory is a great way to familiarize yourself with the many members of our Club. Along with a photo, you can learn about where they work, what part of town they live in, what their interests are, etc. Wait, did I say photo? That's only if the member has taken the time to get their photo taken and has uploaded it to the web site. Is your photo in the membership directory? Is it a current photo that new members would recognize?

If you answered 'no' to one of those last two questions, we have a great opportunity for you. On Monday, October 1, professional photographer and fellow Kiwanian Jim Shively will be available to take your picture. There's no appointment needed and it is painless. Jim will have his equipment set up at the Athletic Club prior to our luncheon meeting. Just introduce yourself to Jim, have a seat and smile. It will be that easy.

As a Club, we greatly appreciate Jim's generosity in making this service available free of charge to our members.

Our goal is to have every member with a current photo on our website. There's no good excuse not to.

go our apprehension.

In the ashes since that day, we have all been 're-born.' We have seen the sons and daughters of the heroes of 9/11 - those impacted most by perhaps the most evil and reprehensible act of our lifetimes - grow, as beacons of hope and faithfulness.

And through it all, despite political acrimony, despite philosophical differences and debates, we have forged a new and common centering point - that all which we hold dear - seeking the good in even the darkest of days - is worth fighting for - worth celebrating - and worthy of passing on to future generations.

As we continue to do our important and good work as Kiwanians, changing the world, one child at a time, may God grant us the courage of those who raced to rescue those in need without pausing to consider danger or peril, but out of reflex and goodness -- simply because it was the 'right thing to do.'

REMINDER

Next Monday, September 24, we will have the honor of Kiwanis International President, **Alan Penn**, joining us for lunch.

This would be an excellent opportunity to bring a prospective member

Bottled Water Bottling up Landfills . . .

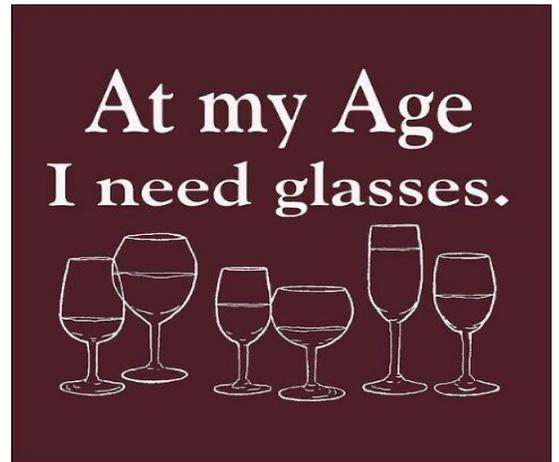
We have all had a refreshing drink from a disposable bottle filled with water. Remember all of the bottled-water we drank during the Kiwanis Corporate Regatta at the library?

What is really happening when we drink bottled-water? First, bottled water is VERY energy-intensive. The plastic used to make the bottles is derived from oil. Second, bottled water is usually transported by trucks from the plant to the retail outlets, using more oil in the form of diesel fuel. Next, we use gasoline, obviously from oil, to transport the water home or to an event like the Regatta.

But it was handy and good, right? Well, at the Regatta, it was handy and it did taste good, but bottled-water is under far fewer quality assurance standards than municipal water systems must comply with. In fact, most popular brands have more contaminants than municipal water.

Finally, there is the waste created by the used bottles. More than 75% of bottled-water bottles are not recycled. I believe only one or two of the bottles at the Regatta were recycled. Solution? I will volunteer to make next year's Regatta more sustainable, in part by pursuing paper cups for people who do not bring their own reusable bottles and having ice water serving urns available. Remember as the Boy Scouts say, "Hydrate or Die." Most Americans are slightly dehydrated, resulting in an increase of kidney stones. So, "Drink-up," but in a sustainable manner.

~~ Scott Doellinger



Password selection ...

During a recent password audit by a company, it was found that an employee was using the following password:

*"MickeyMinniePlutoHueyDeweyLouieDonald
Goofy Sacramento"*

When asked why she had such a long password she rolled her eyes and said:

"Hello! It has to be at least 8 characters long and include at least one capital."

'Shred-It' Day is earlier this year ...



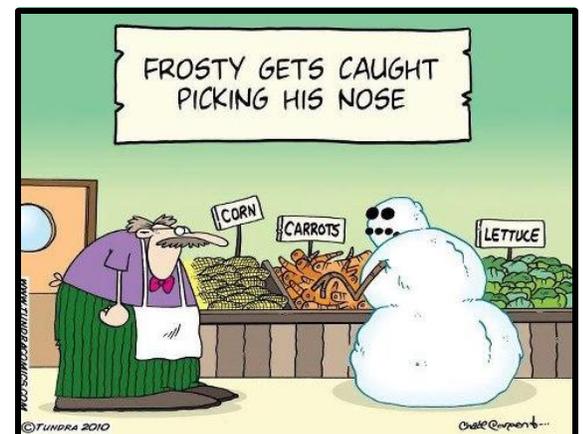
It's Columbus, Ohio, and that means you schedule community events around the Ohio State football schedule. That is why this fall's 'Shred-it' Day has been scheduled for Saturday, September 29, while the Buckeyes are out of town, visiting the Michigan State Spartans.

As usual, we are in need of a corps of volunteers to fill three time slots – 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.; 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. There is no limit as to how many volunteers we can provide; the more hands the easier the work. This is a great opportunity to bring your spouse, teenage children, neighbors, co-workers or potential members.

This is a terrific service provided to the community by WCMH-TV4 and Shred-It. Thousands of local citizens will drive through the circuitous lines to have their confidential files professionally and securely shredded. Not only are we helping to prevent identify theft, but we are also making a significant dent in paper that would otherwise end up in the landfills.

To get an idea of how this event works, check out our video by searching You Tube Kiwanis Shred It Day.

To volunteer, contact Scott Doellinger at 614-325-5804 or e-mail him at sdoellinger@dgcolumbus.com. Remember, each shift you work counts as an attendance credit, so it is also a great way to catch up if you are still trying to attain perfect attendance for this administrative year.



Pancake breakfast ...

Everyone needs a good breakfast, so why not join the Worthington Kiwanis Club for its annual pancake breakfast on Saturday, October 6 at the Clintonville Woman's Club, located at 3951 North High Street (first driveway north of Whetstone Park), from 7:30 a.m. to noon?



You'll get 'all you can eat' pancakes, sausage, coffee, orange juice and milk. Adults are \$5, children 5 to 10 years of age are \$3 and children 4 and under are free.

Let's support all of our local Kiwanis Clubs as we often ask them to support our events.

Final golf outing of the year ...



Regardless of your golfing prowess, this is your final chance to participate in one of the golf committee's ongoing outings, because this will be the final outing of the year. And it will be a nice one!

The chosen course is the Granville Golf Club in Granville, Ohio on Wednesday, September 19. Starting time will be at 2 p.m. and for those who can stay, we will be having dinner at the Granville Inn at 7 p.m.

If you need additional details and, are interested in playing, or just joining us for dinner, please contact Tom Christman at tchristman@ohioexterminating.com.

Reflections on the Regatta ...

Perhaps the most overlooked benefit of racing in the Kiwanis Club of Columbus' Corporate Regatta may be one of the largest. Get your associates involved with the design and have them race along with you. You can have your own internal design contest, or put together a team to sail on race day. With lunch tickets costing only \$5, it is easy to bring a group. No matter how you choose to involve the staff, lots of fun and team building will be the result.

Many companies did just that this past August 20th - White Castle, HHH CPA Group, Calfee, Halter, & Griswold and Atlas Butler, to name a few. At TriAd Marketing & Media, graphic designers have taken turns creating the design and then racing the yacht.

Through the years, this has resulted in a 'Best Decorated' award, as well as several honorable mentions. This Year, the boat was designed for looks, but ended up being built for speed as it won the race. Past



yachts are displayed in the office with photos of the race shot by Jim Shively. "This has been a lot of fun. Next year, we are bringing the whole team," stated Mike Dubs, TriAd Art Director. "And we are already planning the next design."

What is the best time to go to the dentist? Tooth - 'hurty!'

Next week's meeting

(September 24, 2012)

Speaker: Dan Sullivan – President's Cup

Greeters: Dave Timmons

G W Timmons and Sons

Linda Kay

WesBanco Trust & Investment Services

Invocation: Lisa Jolley

The Columbus Foundation

Committees: Youth Opportunity, YCPO

Menu: House salad, shrimp and grits

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