

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."

Impacting Lives - "Packing Parachutes" for People We May Never Know.

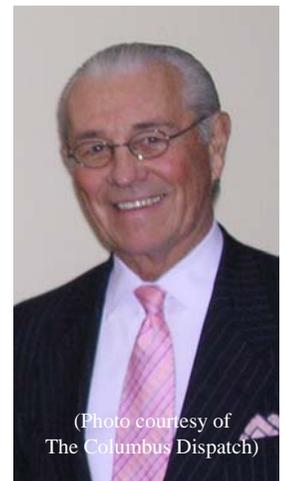
June 16, 2008

Tom Lynch

Woodhouse Lynch Clothier - Changing Business Attire

Fashion comes and fashion goes. What's in today is out tomorrow. Some styles are ageless, while others are very trendy. Wide ties/narrow ties, short skirts/long skirts, color patterns and combinations, fabrics and materials -- it all gets so confusing. Are you on top of what's happening today? Are you dressing for success, or will you be laughed at by "those in the know?"

Our speaker today is Tom Lynch of Woodhouse Lynch Clothiers. Throughout the years, he has seen many changes and he will be talking to us about them. Originally from Clyde, Ohio, Tom grew up enjoying the pleasures of boating on Lake Erie. He attended Ohio University, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in physical education. While he had every intention to coach and teach, he got involved with clothing through a local store in Athens, Ohio. He worked there from 1962 to 1968 before moving to the Columbus area with the company. In September of 1972, Tom opened his own company - Woodhouse Lynch Clothier on East Broad Street.



(Photo courtesy of
The Columbus Dispatch)

The store was known as the "headquarters for well-dressed men," and over the years Tom has helped many of our members maintain their professional look. Other notables he influenced sartorially were Woody Hayes, Dan Galbreath, Mickey Rooney and Vincent Price. Described by one customer as "the mayor of Broad Street," Lynch runs a sort of fraternity and even conducted a Thursday morning prayer group right in his shop. The secret to his longevity and success was his commitment to exceptional service and well-made, fashionable suits. The business ran successfully for 37 years until his recent retirement this past February.

Tom and his wife, Mary Lou, are the proud parents of five children and eight grandchildren. Three of his children still live in central Ohio. Tom is an avid handball player here at the Athletic Club of Columbus, where he has served as a past president. He is also a past president of the Columbus Touchdown Club, serves on the Board of Buckeye boys Ranch and is a Trustee of Ohio University. He and his wife are active members of St. Andrews Church in Upper Arlington.

Join us next Monday for an interesting presentation on 'dressing for success' with Tom Lynch.



Thank you
Perry Fisher & Scott Lindsey
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Jade Metcalf
for today's
invocation

Calendar of Events

6/23 - Gene Harris - Columbus Public Schools

6/30 - New Business Builders - MBA Program

Thru 8/1 – open enrollment – Regatta sponsors

Scheduled Committee Meetings

June 16

Membership
Inter-Club
Music & Arts
Y.C.P.O.
Spiritual Aims
Boost
Environmental & Agriculture

June 23

Youth Oppor./Citizenship
Attendance/Retention
Career Guidance
Public Relations

Today's Menu: House Salad, Chicken Picatta, Lemon-Caper Sauce

Regatta Ships Are Sailing!

The *White Castle Regatta* in support of childhood literacy presented by the Kiwanis Club will launch August 18. So far faithful supporters like Atlas Butler Heating and Cooling, J.P. Morgan Chase, Schoedinger Funeral Services, GBQ Partners LLC, Wachovia and Schottenstein Zox & Dunn have signed on to design and race their sloops. Do you know a corporation, business or association which would like to join these upstanding corporate citizens? If you have a lead to suggest, contact **Marty Jenkins**, mjenkins@columbus.rr.com, or 614-846-2938 and give him contact information. He'll take it from there.

08 Summer Reading Program Kicks Off

Children from around Columbus gathered at a number of library branches to help kick off the 2008 Summer Reading Program. This award-winning program is the largest in the nation and is one of our Club's major underwriting efforts.



On Saturday, June 7, Club President **Sam Vogel**, and Regatta Chair **Kathleen Roberts** were among Kiwanians joining the festivities on the front lawn of the Main Library on S. Grant Street.

There were plenty of activities for the children to participate in along with a magician, a pianist, the "parachute game" to entertain them. Volun-teens from the library helped sign kids up for the Summer Reading Program..."Game On. Read."

Thanks go to **John Gillam** for donating the great sign.

Columbus Crowne Plaza North site of 2008 Ohio District Kiwanis Convention

Delegates from throughout the Ohio District will converge on Columbus, Ohio the weekend of August 15-17.

The weekend is open to any active Kiwanian and all are encouraged to attend. While our Club can only have three appointed delegates, members-at-large can attend and participate in the various educational seminars and banquets.



The delegates' session will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday afternoon and will include debate on a proposed District dues increase. The current proposal would raise the District dues from the current \$18 per member to \$30 per member per year and would eliminate the set aside for the District bulletin and the Ohio District Convention. This will undoubtedly lead to some heated debate.

Registration information will be forthcoming in the Ohio District Bulletin. Early bird registration is due by July 21.



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With this Sunday being **Father's Day**, the words of this poem, submitted by Kiwanian **Dave Fenner**, are very timely.

FOOTPRINT IN THE SNOW



The air was cold and dry. The snow was deep and soft. I wasn't afraid. I stepped in his footprint; it was deep and too big. I sank in beyond the length of my stride. I was stuck, couldn't lift my leg to take the next step, his path was greater than I.

But I wasn't afraid. Dad was one step ahead of me, on a path he knew; he would never endanger me. I lifted myself from the trap and chose the next step in the direction he set, but not in his tread.

He would lead, I would follow never to fill his step, but rather to pursue the path he had forged. He took the hard road, because he had the strength to pursue the course. He was guided by what was right, knowing it wasn't easy, but knowing what his father taught him; his moral compass; living life without regard for mere convenience, without heroics, just what had to be done.

And now I am left, without that oversized print in the snow; too big to fill but clearly defining the direction to follow. In the quiet moments I feel his gentle hand on my shoulder, never pushing, not really directing, only reassuring. The path is there for me to choose, not footprints to fall into but with choices to make. I will choose my own path, knowing that I must lead as he once lead and I am not alone.

Letting Us Know: One of the major benefits of membership in the Kiwanis Club of Columbus is that of networking ... getting to know your fellow members, building relationships and opening doors for potential business. In addition, many of us have connections in our local communities, along with talents, expertise and know how that can aid other members and/or our club. We serve on Boards, we hold or have held offices and we have achieved many things. How much stronger could our Club be if we shared this information among ourselves, or least maintained in a central data base that our officers and Club leaders could access as

needed? Much of this information was initially provided on your membership application, but it has never been updated. In an effort to better understand and utilize the resources currently at our fingertips, we would like to begin gathering, or re-gathering, this information – everything from other organizations you are involved with, to military service, to awards and recognitions, to hobbies and skills. This membership assessment may also help us identify our future leaders. We hope you will put modesty aside and ring your own bell. More details will be forthcoming as we work to complete this project before the start of the next Kiwanis administrative year.



Please don't forget that we have \$100 grocery cards for Giant Eagle and \$5 re-loadable grocery cards for Kroger! Help support our Club operations and keep our dues low by shopping with a Giant Eagle or Kroger grocery card. You can purchase a card at any Monday meeting.



Trustees Take Action

At this month's Trustee meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus, Trustees voted on and approved a number of requests for funds, including:

- \$1,000 to the YMCA to support their Alternative Learning for Students Program;
- \$1,000 to Southeast Mental Health and Recovery for their Project Extending Hope;
- \$500 to Columbus Children's Choir for their Travel Abroad From Home program;
- \$500 to the King Arts Complex to support the Summer Arts Program;
- \$500 to Ballet Met to support the K-5 learning curriculum in Columbus elementary schools;
- \$500 to Franklin Park Conservatory. This will support an art class for children;
- \$300 to Broad Street United Methodist Church to purchase food for the homeless;
- \$1,000 to the Homeless Family Foundation for the Education Center's after-school programs;
- \$1,000 to MAP Furniture Bank to partially underwrite a summer intern to develop new business;
- \$1,000 to Employment For Seniors to sponsor a senior citizens educational and job placement event.
- \$400 to Buckeye Community Hope Foundation to purchase benches on the patio of a senior facility at Joyce and Hudson
- \$400 to LifeCare Alliance to purchase a microwave oven for the new kitchen facility.
- \$540 to Northwest Counseling Services to purchase resource manuals for caseworkers serving senior citizens in Franklin County.

This is a just a sample of the good work our club does throughout the year.

Moving On Up

After eight very productive years as the Executive Director of Ohio Business Week Foundation, Nancy Whetstone will soon be making a career change.



Nancy has accepted a position as director of marketing and public relations for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Greater Ohio, Kentucky & Indiana. Please congratulate Nancy when you next see or talk to her.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



- 6/21 - Jared Smith
- 6/22 - Timothy Jochim

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