

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."

"Bringing Service Into Focus"



September 28, 2009

David Warren

National Federation of Independent Colleges



David L. Warren became president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU) in 1993, after nearly a decade as president of Ohio Wesleyan University.

A tireless crusader for America's private colleges and for increased financial aid funding for all college students, Dr. Warren is widely regarded as one of the most persuasive and influential voices for higher education within Washington, D.C. He is frequently asked to speak at higher education national conferences and on campuses, and is regularly quoted by the news media on national higher education issues.

Beyond NAICU, Dr. Warren has orchestrated and led cooperative efforts with the other major higher education associations. He has co-chaired the National Campus Voter Registration Project which, in each presidential and congressional election since 1998, has engaged the nation's campuses in the political and electoral process. He has spearheaded the Student Aid Alliance, an ongoing campaign of 47 higher education associations to expand student aid, which has resulted in a 74 percent increase in the Pell Grant over the last eight years. He also is responsible for the creation of CampusCares, an initiative to gain national recognition for the community service and civic engagement contributions by America's colleges and universities.

The recipient of 12 honorary degrees and numerous other academic and civic awards, Dr. Warren has been described as "one of the most gifted leaders and creative thinkers in all of American higher education" by former American Council on Education President Stanley O. Ikenberry.

Dr. Warren earned his bachelor's degree in English from Washington State University, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa. Washington State recognized his accomplishments in 1991 by awarding him the Alumni Achievement Award for Distinguished Leadership. He earned master's degrees with honors in both divinity and urban studies from Yale University, and a doctorate in higher education administration from the University of Michigan, where in 1998 he received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the university's Education Alumni Society. He also was a Fulbright Scholar in India and a Rockefeller Fellow at Yale.

He and his wife, Ellen, have two sons and a daughter: Jamison (Duke 1995), Mackenzie (Northwestern 2000), and Katrin (Middlebury 2001).



Thank you **Jacalyn Slemmer**
and **Bill Gillam**
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Joyce Waters
for providing today's
invocation.

Calendar of Events

10/03 – Make A Difference Day – Goodale Park

10/05 – Columbus Kiwanis College Fair

10/13 – Trustee meeting – Scioto Country Club

Scheduled Committee Meetings

September 28

No meetings scheduled
as committees
re-organize for
the 2009-10
administrative year

October 5

Environment & Agri.
Golf
Inter-Club
Reception
Scholarship
Youth Opp. & Citizenship

Today's Menu: House Salad, Meat Loaf and Mashed Potatoes

President's Corner



Thank you. When I joined Kiwanis Club of Columbus, I never dreamed that I would someday have the opportunity to lead. My exposure to the Kiwanis brand began in high school, but my involvement with our Club started only when Past President **Sam Vogel** asked me to be his guest at

a meeting. We did not know each other well. We do now. His bold act has forever changed my life for the better. My desire to join was based on wanting to be involved in service projects. What I have received instead has been much more meaningful - new friendships with people I would have never met otherwise, new business contacts, better insight into the city I love and a good night's sleep. I sleep well because I know that I am making a difference through Kiwanis. I see the difference our Club members make "Bringing Service Into Focus" and recognize the feeling of accomplishment and the personal enrichment that comes with that service.

This has been the most rewarding, encouraging, positive and fulfilling year of my life. I thank my wife, Heather, for putting up with "all things Kiwanis" and for accommodating some extra activities in our schedule. To my parents, who have always been so supportive. To my 8-year-old son Evan, who was a wonderful part of this year for me. I know his heart is in the right place when he asks about the children we serve. I look forward to involving our 2-year-old Grant, someday as well. This year has provided me a lifetime of memories and images - children that we mentored, homeless that we served, students whose lives we touched with the Entrepreneurial Challenge, College Fair and Scholarship Program, projects we supported with our hard-earned funds.

I will never forget the donor who deposited some coins

and a "lucky charm" in my red Salvation Army bucket - she felt blessed to have a job and wanted to pass that good luck to another. Every time we go to the Boys & Girls Club, a new bright face is ready to engage you or welcome you back for reading, homework, ping pong or just conversation. Fun club meetings filled with songs, pins, speakers and an ever-changing schedule of announcements for all of our good works. It was a truly meaningful year that I know I will replicate by remaining an active participant in our Club's activities.

So, thank you. To Sam for asking me to join and being my constant guide. To Past President Advisor **Fil Line**, who didn't mince words with his advice - just like I wanted it. To our Distinguished Secretary, **Paul Bohlman**, who lent a little perspective when needed but allowed me to set the agenda and take some risks, even if he knew some would fail; believe it or not, not all Kiwanis Secretaries grant their President that much leash! To Past President **Ken Keller** - if imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, consider yourself richly flattered. To my good friend and Membership Chair **Lisa Jolley**, who doggedly followed up on every prospective member and helped grow our Club. To my dear friends in the "Third Thursday" group - I'm glad we convinced each other that a "happy hour social group" could make a positive impact on our Club's future. To Past President **Dave Fenner**, who told me that with kids, there was never a "good time" to be President, so I might as well do it while the kids were younger - he was right. And most importantly, to every member who is passionate about service and contributes something towards our mission. Whatever you contribute - advice, perspective, a community connection, funds, organizational skills, your volunteer time - I hope you know you are truly appreciated. So many members contribute quietly, year after year, changing with the times, adjusting to new administrations but continue to support the effort because they know that they are truly making a difference. From the grandest executed scheme to the smallest act of kindness for a fellow member, thank you for your

contribution.

I started the year with the parable of stone soup; the moral of the story is that small contributions by many allow for feats much more meaningful and lasting than any one person could accomplish on their own. It is such a perfect metaphor for our Club, and everyone pitched in so that we can call ourselves "Distinguished" once more. This year's soup has been doled out, but fortunately we have the recipe to start a new batch. All it takes is a willingness to care for others, a desire to serve and a dash of fun. Starting October 1, President Char will ably stir the pot.

The stork strikes again ...



For the ninth time this administrative year, the Kiwanis Club of Columbus has seen it's family grow through the miracle of birth. This time, the happy parents are Brian and Elizabeth Seitz, who gave birth to a 6-pound, 14-ounce, 19-inch long boy on

Wednesday, September 16. His name is Emerson James Seitz.

This amazing run began at the end of Sam Vogel's administrative year when Misty Singer-Mahefkey had her daughter. Actually, if you count her, we have had ten babies born in our Club over the past 13 months.

Things to think about ...

Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things.

If man evolved from monkeys and apes, why do we still have monkeys and apes?

I went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, "Where's the self-help section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose.

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill himself, is it considered a hostage situation?

Is there another word for synonym?

Where do forest rangers go to "get away from it all"?

What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

If a turtle doesn't have a shell, is he homeless or naked?



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30th Annual Kiwanis College Fair ...

One of the many great traditions of our Club is the annual Kiwanis College Fair. This year's event is scheduled for Monday, October 5 in the North Hall of Veterans Memorial Hall on West Broad Street.

We will have about 150 colleges and universities represented, as high school students from throughout Columbus and central Ohio get bussed in. We expected about 3,500 students to attend ... it is quite an event!



One of our partner organizations, I Know I Can, has been out in area high schools preparing students for this event. They have been helping the students narrow their choices and to identify the

questions they need answers to. This will allow the students to maximize their time while at the College Fair.

This is an "all hands on deck" type of event. We need volunteers to fill three shifts – 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and then in the evening from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The early shift will help sign-in and direct the various college representatives to their assigned tables. Once the venue is set up, we will then be available to direct the first groups of students arriving by bus. The second shift will also direct students and pass out information bags as they arrive. The evening shift will welcome both students and parents, distribute information bags and help shut things down.

This is a great event for seeing Kiwanis in action and getting involved with a service project at the beginning of the new administrative year. The morning shifts will be done in time for you to attend the Monday meeting, where our new officers will be sworn in.

Please contact **Paul Bohlman**, **Cary Hanosek**, or **Troy Terakedis** if you are interested in volunteering for one of these shifts.

Hilltop Inter-Club . . .

Start the 2009-10 administrative year off right by participating in a inter-club meeting with the Hilltop Kiwanis. On October 15, they will have the new City of Columbus Chief of Police, Chief Distelzweig speaking to them. The meeting will be at the Crossroads United Methodist Church on Hague Avenue (at Briggs Road). The luncheon meeting begins at noon. You will be able to purchase your luncheon ticket (\$8) at the door; however, we must provide them with a headcount in advance. Please contact **Kathleen Roberts** (Roberts@ofic.org) if you are interested in attending.

“Good Neighbor Picnic” set ...

The annual ‘Good Neighbor Picnic’ at Goodale Park is set for Saturday, October 3rd. Our Club has participated in this event for several years and we have had a significant impact on a number of families.

Set-up will begin at 11 a.m. with the event starting at noon and running through 4 p.m. As in the past, thanks to the expertise of Kiwanian **Jim Shively**, we will be taking and printing photos of those homeless people in attendance. They will then have the opportunity, if they so choose, to make a customized photo-frame from materials we supply.

Volunteers are need to help set up, take photos, print photos, assist with organization, etc. Please contact **Jim Shively** to sign up for a specific shift.

Membership dues fund our operation ...

In today’s world, it takes money to do most everything. Running our Club is no exception. Our primary source of income is our membership dues. Without them, we could not function.

That is why it is so critical for everyone to pay their annual membership dues in a timely fashion. If you have not yet submitted your annual membership dues for the 2009-10 administrative year which begins October 1, please do so right away.

Memorable quotes ...

Until I was thirteen, I thought my name was **SHUT UP**.

- Joe Namath

I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon... Then it's time for my nap.

- Bob Hope

We could certainly slow the aging process down if it had to work its way through Congress.

- Will Rogers

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



09/28 – Tom Christman
09/29 – Frank DiLapo
09/30 – Andrew Carver
10/02 – Ohmer Crowell
10/03 – Bob Irwin

Trustee meeting schedule set ...

Under the administration of incoming President Charlotte Collister, Trustee meetings of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Scioto Country Club, with the exception of the January 12 and March 9 meetings. Those will be held at Barley’s Smokehouse and Pub on Olentangy River Road.

All Club members are welcome to attend the Trustee meetings and to participate in the sometimes lively debate over which projects we will approve.

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