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"Bringing Service Into Focus"

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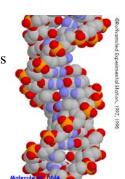


Gary L. Floyd is Professor Emeritus of Biology and former Dean of the College of Biological Sciences, The Ohio State University. He holds a BA in teaching from the University of Northern Iowa (1962), a MS from the University of Oklahoma (1966) and a Ph.D. from Miami University (Oxford - 1971).

He has served as assistant Professor at Rutgers University (1971-75) Assistant, Associate, to full Professor at The Ohio State University (1971 to present), and Senior, Associate Dean and Dean of the College of Biological Sciences at OSU (1986-96).

Professor Floyd has been awarded the Ohio State University distinguished teaching award (1980), the Distinguished Research Award (1982), the Botanical Society of America Darbaker Award for meritorious research on algae (1993) and the Phycological Society of America Award of Excellence for lifetime scholarly research contributions on algae (2003).

The title of his presentation is "Stuff you ought to know about DNA." Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) is a nucleic acid that contains the genetic instructions used in the development and functioning of all known living organisms and some viruses. The main role of DNA molecules is the long-term storage of information. DNA is often compared to a set of blueprints or a recipe, or a code, since it contains the instructions needed to construct other components of cells, such as proteins and RNA molecules. The DNA segments that carry this genetic information are called genes, but other DNA sequences have structural purposes, or are involved in regulating the use of this genetic information.



Join us today for this educational and intriguing presentation.





Calendar of Events

10/20 - Benjamin J. Marrison, Editor of the Columbus Dispatch

10/23 - Division 10-W Council Meeting

11/07 - President's Party

Scheduled Committee Meetings

October 13

Assimilation Business & Public Affairs

Drug, Alcohol , Mental Health

Homeless

International Relations

Senior Citizens

October 20

Attendance & Retention

Homeless

Membership

Music & Arts

Spiritual Aims Will & Legacy

Today's Menu: Classic Beef Lasagna

Fenner quoted in Columbus C.E.O. ...

When writing a story about the insurance industry, agents' commissions and broker's fees, you need to talk to the local experts. So it was with Columbus C.E.O. magazine for their October 2008 issue. Kiwanian **Dave Fenner** was quoted in reference to the perception that independent insurance



agents allow fees and commissions to drive their business, rather than placing their customer in the policy that is best suited for the customer. "I believe any conflict is more perception than reality," says Dave Fenner, president, Thomas-Fenner-Woods Agency. "Everyone loves to hate the insurance industry, and we do bring some of it on ourselves, with a few agents who aren't top-of-the-line." Obviously, Dave was talking about someone else, because we all know and respect Dave for his astute and reputable business style. Dave was also quoted as saying that when he is asked about his commission, he discloses it. "But never in my 29 years (in business) have I had a customer say to me the commission was too high and if you want their business, I'd have to reduce it." Congrats Dave; you just used up a few more seconds of "your 15 minutes of fame."

Silver star program initiated ...

Throughout the administration of Scott Lindsey, members of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus who participate in a Clubsponsored service project will receive a silver star Kiwanis lapel pin. Individuals can earn up to five silver stars. Upon participating in their sixth sponsored service project, they will receive a gold star Kiwanis lapel pin. This will signify that they have met one of the key criteria for being recognized as a Distinguished Club Member by Kiwanis International. The other criterion is to recruit two new members during the year.

Sponsored service projects include things such as the College Fair, Make A Difference Day, Heart to Heart Canteen, etc.

New Printed Membership Directory Coming Soon ...

Yes, you can access our membership directory via the password-protected "members only" section of our web site (www.columbuskiwanis.org), but how many times have you been in need of a number quickly, and you are not near your computer?

This fall, we will be reviving the printed Kiwanis membership directory. We hope to go to press by the end of October, so it is important that you do two things **now**, if you haven't already done them:

- 1- Update your profile information on the web site. This is the information that will go in the directory, so accuracy is important.
- 2- Pay your dues. Only dues-paying members will be included. If you have not yet paid your dues, please note that they are now past due!

If you would be interested in purchasing an ad in the new directory to help defray the cost of printing, please let us know.

Truisms of golf ...

- A golf match is a test of your skill against your opponent's luck.
- Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
- If you want to hit a 7-iron as far as John Daly does, simply play to lay up just short of a water hazard.
- A ball hit to the wrong green will always land two feet from the hole.

President's Corner



For 2008-2009, we will be "Bringing Service into Focus." I was so pleased to start the year with representatives of our two sponsored Key Clubs at last week's meeting. Also, representatives from our new Division 10-W partner club, Franklinton Kiwanis, joined new 10-W Lt. Gov. James Howard to celebrate the start of our year. All of these K-family partners are ready and willing to help with our projects this year - let's continue to build those connections.

Bringing Service into Focus means that we must continue our commitment in the community to address needs that are going unmet. All of us are adjusting to the new financial realities, temporary or more long-term, that the markets seem to bring us each day. I understand what that kind of financial turmoil

means to our Club members personally and professionally. At the same time, we are fortunate to have the backing of our Columbus Kiwanis Foundation, a group of which we are all members, to support our operations when times might otherwise be lean. I appreciate the continued commitment of our members and administration during these uncertain times.

As you re-commit to a committee or decide to pursue a new passion within the Club, think of how you might make a difference in our community with our focused resources and time. No matter what the economic environment, we determine what can be accomplished by the Club this year. Take the initiative to contact a committee chair and let them know you'll help make a difference.

Interclub ...

The Interclub committee is seeking adventurous Kiwanians (or those who might need additional attendance credits) to captain Interclubs with the 10-W Kiwanis Clubs. We need one captain for each of the 12 other clubs, and to serve on the committee that will meet on the fourth Monday of each month.

As you know, it takes four members of our Club to attend a meeting of another club to gain an Interclub credit, and Interclub attendance is one of the requirements that can help get our Club recognized as an distinguished club. It is our desire to have at least three Interclubs with each 10-W club this year.

The responsibilities of each captain would be to contact the club for which you are captain, to verify when they are having a speaker or interesting meeting, and to line up at least three other people to attend that Kiwanis Club meeting.

If you are interested in being an Interclub captain, please call or e-mail Jim Skidmore (267-9491, or e-mail to jskidmore@columbus.rr.com). If not enough of you express interest, expect to be called for recruitment!

The other Kiwanis Clubs in Division 10W are:

• Plain City Area • University Kiwanis

• Washington C-H

• Westland Area

• Dublin Club Monday evening 7:00 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel

Wednesday noon at the Downtown Connection restaurant Franklinton Tuesday evening 6:30 at Amazing Grace Christian Church • Grove City Club

• Greater Dublin Area Tuesday noon at O.C.L.C. 6565 Frantz Road

• Hilliard Club Thursday evening 6:30 at Brown Township Hall • Hilltop Club

Thursday noon at Crossroads United Methodist Church

• London Club Monday evening 6:30 at Red Brick Tavern Tuesday evening 6:30 at Buckeye Hall of Fame Northwest Columbus

Tuesday at Der Dutchman (1st, 3rd, 5th Tues 6:00, 2nd & 4th 7:00)

Wednesday evening 6:15 - Champps at Lenox Monday evening 6:15 at Washington Country Club

Thursday evening 6:30 at York Steak House, W. Broad & I-270

Key Leader Program Registration is Open ...

Key Leader is a service leadership education program designed by Kiwanis International to inspire students to achieve their personal best through service leadership. This November, we have the opportunity to provide this priceless experience to the students in our community.

Students will spend a weekend working in small and large groups to better themselves, and in turn become better leaders in their clubs, schools, and communities. The students will become Key Leaders! Key



Leaders *need not* be Key Club members or honor students. Any student who so desires can become a Key Leader.

Please consider helping a student or two in your community to experience this outstanding program by providing him/her a chance to take part in the Key Leader training.

The event will be held November 14-16 at Recreation Unlimited in Ashley, Ohio. Registration begins at 4 p.m. on Friday, with dinner is at 6 p.m. Throughout the weekend, students are provided five hot meals and a variety of snacks. They are assigned to gender appropriate cabins with adult chaperones, all of whom have submitted to a background check by Kiwanis International. All of this is in addition to the programming presented by a Kiwanis-trained, professional facilitator.

Any student in 9th through 12th grade is eligible to attend. The cost is \$175 per student. Key Club members are awarded a \$25 "scholarship" through Kiwanis International, bringing the cost down to only \$150. Registration is now open. There are currently 55 more openings.

More information and a link to registration can be found at http://www.key-leader.org. At the time of registration, each person needs to have his/her own unique e-mail address. They will also be asked for the name of a nominator (who told them about Key Leader) and a sponsor. The sponsor will be your club secretary or treasurer, whomever will receive the invoice for payment.





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 (or multiple cards) at any Monday meeting.

Mark your calendars ...

It is never a bad idea to get things on your calendars early, so that you avoid conflicts. You should be aware of the following key dates:

Wednesday, October 29 – Manna Café, Broad Street Methodist Church – serving food to the homeless – 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 1 – WCMH Channel 4 "Shred It Day" – behind OSU Schottenstein Center.

Tuesday, November 18 – The Radio Players of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus will be performing "Murder at Marblehead Light" at the Sanctuary at Tuttle Crossing.

Wednesday & Thursday, December 10 & 11 - Annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Friday, May 15, 2009 – Annual Kiwanis Auction to be held at the Columbus Museum of Art.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



10/13 – David D'Herete 10/14 – Michael Ranney 10/15 – Ray Montgomery 10/19 – Donna Zuiderweg

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