

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."

"Where Ordinary People Provide Extraordinary Service"



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DANIEL M. SLANE **U.S. China Commission**



Daniel M. Slane is the founder and co-owner of The Slane Company, Ltd., which develops, owns and operates 88 shopping centers and commercial buildings in 12 states. The company also owns waste treatment facilities in Europe, manufactures synthetic coal, owns an interstate rail transportation company between the east coast and Ohio, a telecommunications company and a wood products company. Headquartered in Columbus, the company has offices in New York City; Cleveland; North Bergen, New Jersey; Birmingham, England; Shanghai and Fuzhou, China.

Mr. Slane earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration degree from The Ohio State University in 1964 and his J.D. 1967. He served two years as a captain in the U.S. Army before receiving his M.A. degree in international law in 1970 from the University of Amsterdam in the Netherlands.

He served one year as an assistant prosecuting attorney for Franklin County and two years as a White House staff assistant to President Gerald R. Ford.

From 1990-1998, Mr. Slane served as vice chairman and chairman of the Ohio Building Authority, which finances, constructs and manages state buildings. From 1991-1999, he chaired the State Board of Building Appeals, which grants variances to the Ohio Basic Building Code. He also serves on the board of directors of Ohio Capital Corporation, which has developed over a half-billion dollars of government-subsidized housing projects in Ohio.

In addition, Mr. Slane served on the board of trustees of Hiram College from 1996 to 2001 and is a former Chairman of the Board of Trustees at The Ohio State University, from 2005-2006. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital.

In January 2008 he was appointed to the U.S. China Commission by House Minority Leader John Boehner for a two-year term that expires this December 31st. Join us today as Mr. Slane speaks about 'The U.S. and China: Our Economic Security.'



Thank you **Kathleen Roberts**
and **Mike Edwards**
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Fred Miller
for providing today's
invocation.

Calendar of Events

10/26 - Jane Taylor of AARP to speak

11/2 - Andy Doehrl of Ohio Chamber of Commerce

11/13 - President's Party at Scioto Country Club

Scheduled Committee Meetings

October 19

Attendance & Retention
Membership
Music & Arts
Spiritual Aims
Wills & Legacy
Young Children Priority One

October 26

Boast
Boost
Career Guidance
Public Affairs
Sponsored Youth

Today's Menu: House Salad, Classic Beef Lasagna

President's Corner



With our new administrative year well under way, I want to remind the committee chairs to be sure to get the names of their committee members to Secretary **Paul Bohlman** so they can be added to the web site. This will not

only allow everyone to see who is involved, but will enable you to communicate with your committee members by using our site's convenient message center.

In addition, as a follow-up to my remarks at our kick-off in August, committee chairs, please run your committees and their meetings like you do your business meetings. Have an agenda, and preferably send that out in advance so your members can think about the items and come to the meeting prepared. If you cannot be present, be sure there is a substitute for you to run the meeting, take notes, record attendance and turn that information in to Paul. It is very embarrassing to see a new member at a table with a committee sign and no chair or presiding member present, and even worse, no conversation about the mission of that committee.

If a meeting does not have a chair and/or is cancelled, those at the table will not be able to receive their attendance credit. A little planning and preparation can avoid this type of disappointing situation.

So, let's tighten up our committee process up and become increasingly professional. We are all professionals in the Club, so I look forward to looking and being even more professional.

The committees are all off to a great start, so let's keep the momentum going. Thanks for all you do. And thanks for being on the "train."

National 'Make-A-Difference' Day ...

Several weeks ago, the Kiwanis Club of Columbus participated in the Good Neighbor Program at Goodale Park as our effort toward 'Make-A-Difference' Day.

The official, nationwide 'Make-A-Difference' Day is Saturday, October 24 and many organizations are looking for volunteers to help with specific projects. We recently received an invitation from Camp Fire USA Central Ohio Council to participate in their in a "Make-A-Difference" Day project at Camp Wyandot, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. They need help finishing the construction of beds for their cabins. They will also be starting a new project this year of making night stands for each of the cabins. In addition, they are attempting to raise \$800 to purchase new mattresses for the new bunk beds. Camp Fire USA will provide donuts and coffee in the morning and a nice hot lunch. If you are interested in helping with the construction of the beds and nightstands, please contact Camp Fire USA directly at amycfusa@ameritech.net.

Useless information ...

Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4: John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.

Q. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?
A. Their birthplace

Q. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name?
A. Obsession

Capital Circle K Club revitalized ...



This time last year our Circle K Club at Capital University was struggling. Despite the efforts of three-time Club president Andrea Klinker, membership was down and recruiting was difficult. By the end of the school year, the Club was all but dead.

Under the leadership of past president **Scott Lindsey**, a task force was assembled and an all-out effort was launched to reorganize the group. The effort was led by **Jade Metcalf** and **Susan Black**, who -- together with several other Kiwanians -- manned the Capital University

Involvement Fair booth in August as students arrived on campus. They collected names of those who expressed an interest and then followed up with each one to invite them to an informal get-together at Cup-O-Joe's. After several organizational meetings, the 25 newly recruited members were formally inducted into Circle K and the newly elected officers and committee chairs were sworn in.

This is a new beginning for both our Circle K Club and our Kiwanis Club. Let's make sure we actively reach out and involve these young adults with opportunities to interact with our Club. Perhaps you will sponsor a member for lunch, invite them to an off-site committee meeting, involve them in a hands-on project being undertaken by a committee on which you serve, attend one of their meetings, participate in a service project they plan, etc. These are potentially our future members. How we work with them will not only determine how well their club succeeds, but what kind of individuals they become and how committed they become to the Kiwanis cause. Congratulations to Cassady Allen, President; Bobbie Wilson, VP; Kassie Lowery, Secretary; Taylor Rife, Treasurer and Courtney Winterberger, Newsletter Editor. And thank you, Jade and Susan, for a job well done on behalf of our Club.

Builder's Club to charter ...



Through the efforts of past president **Fil Line** and immediate past president **Scott Lindsey**, our Builder's Club at Ridgeview

Middle School is up and running. They have their banner hanging in the school (photo), their officers have been appointed and they are already off and running with their recycling program.

Builder's Club is the largest service organization for middle school students (ages 12 to 14), and is student-led. There are 35,000 members worldwide and 1,500 clubs in five countries. They are structured on the local level but supported by Kiwanis International.

November 11 has been tentatively set as the date for their official chartering and member induction ceremony. All Club members are encouraged to attend to support this group. Festivities will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Ridgeview Middle School and light refreshments will be served.

New member challenge ...

Membership is the life-blood of our organization, and we need to continue to invite new members into our fold to maintain the vibrancy of our organization, receive fresh ideas, understand new perspectives and remain financially solvent.

This year's goal, under the leadership of **Kathleen Roberts**, is to recruit 32 new members. To do this, the membership committee is setting up team competitions. Each team will consist of three Kiwanians. You can either form your own team or ask the committee to place you on a team. Teams must be on-record with the membership committee.

Immediate past president **Scott Lindsey** has put together a team consisting of himself, **Lisa Jolley** and **Joyce Waters**. This "Alpha" team has challenged all other teams to out-recruit them. Any team which successfully out-recruits the Alpha team will have their annual Kiwanis membership dues paid for the 2010-11 administrative year.

President Char Collister applauded this generous challenge which will not only help our Club grow, but which will also encourage more of our members to fulfill the "recruit two new members" criteria for becoming a Distinguished Member.



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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

10/19 – Barbara Fohl

10/19 – Donna Zuiderweg

10/22 – Jack D'Aurora

10/22 – Erin Shannon

10/22 – Ned Barthelmas

President's Party ...

The annual President's Party honoring immediate past president **Scott Lindsey** is scheduled for Friday, November 13 at the Scioto Country Club.

Dan McCormick and his not-so-prime-time players have been preparing an outstanding repertoire of musical parodies, highlighting this past administrative year. The show is guaranteed to have you rolling in the aisles, shaking your head and slapping your knee. At some point in the evening, there will be some sanity and Scott will likely thank those members who put their heart and soul into making him look like a good President.

This is a great evening of fun and fellowship and one suitable for your impressing your 'significant other.' Formal invitations will be hand delivered this Monday to those attending our luncheon meeting, and all others will be mailed. So please mark your calendar, look for your formal invitation and don't forget to RSVP in a timely fashion.

Famous Quotes ...

Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat. - *Alex Levine*

My luck is so bad that if I bought a cemetery, people would stop dying. - *Rodney Dangerfield*

Money can't buy you happiness, but it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery... - *Spike Milligan*

Maybe it's true that life begins at 50, but everything else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out. - *Phyllis Diller*

By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere. - *Billy Crystal*

I have never hated a man enough to give his diamonds back. - *Zsa Zsa Gabor*

Kiwanis polo shirts still available ...

Did you miss out on purchasing your official Kiwanis Club of Columbus blue polo shirt? These shirts are great to wear as a Club identifier when we are participating in community service projects. They are distinctive, attractive and very comfortable.

We are about to place another order and need a certain number of shirts to do so. If you would like to order a one, please go to our website for the details and to print out an order form. The form and your payment should be given to **Kathleen Roberts** by October 31.

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