

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"

November 3, 2008

Sherry Geldin

Executive Director – Wexner Center



Sherry Geldin assumed the directorship of the Wexner Center for the Arts in September 1993, four years after its inauguration in a distinctive building designed by Peter Eisenman on the campus of The Ohio State University. Under Ms. Geldin's leadership, the center has emerged as one of the foremost contemporary art venues in the nation, with a diverse array of programs in the visual, performing, film, media, and design arts. The multi-dimensional program juxtaposes artists of great renown with newly emerging talents, and often allows for the presentation of cross-disciplinary work, creating a rich and dynamic context in which the public can better understand and appreciate the art of our time.

Ms. Geldin presides over all aspects of the center's artistic and administrative functions, spanning a range of spaces that includes exhibition galleries, a black box performance space, a film/video theater, a traditional 2,500-seat auditorium, and a film and video post-production facility. In addition to ensuring a dynamic program of artistic and educational events, she oversees the center's ongoing and generous artist residency program, through which the Wexner Center underscores its commitment to supporting artists in the research, production and presentation of new work. As such, the center has become a veritable laboratory for contemporary culture, offering Columbus residents a breadth and depth of cultural opportunities that would otherwise be unavailable here.

Ms. Geldin has reinforced the center's position as a physical and symbolic portal to Ohio State, enriching the campus experience for thousands of students and faculty each year, while also engaging interested publics locally, nationally and internationally. She has also forged successful collaborations and exchanges with a host of academic departments and student organizations across campus, and with highly respected museums, performing arts centers, and film institutes in this country and abroad. The Wexner Center's global reach brings to Columbus artists from throughout the U.S., South America, Europe, Asia, and Africa, and at the same time sends work produced here throughout the world. During Ms. Geldin's tenure, the Wexner Center has grown considerably in media stature, attracting coverage from local, national, and international publications. Recent articles include recognition of Ms. Geldin as a "Superstar" by Columbus CEO, a cover story in Alive! about the center's Fall 2008 Andy Warhol exhibition, and an extensive profile in the September 2008 issue of Columbus Monthly.

Ms. Geldin, in late 2006, was named Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts des Lettres by the French Cultural Ministry in Paris, an honor created by the French government in 1957 to recognize individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to furthering the arts in France and throughout the world. Ms. Geldin is Chair of the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, for which

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Thank you
Jerry Kuyoth
Paul Collinsworth
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Brad Fisher
for today's invocation

Calendar of Events

11/07 – President’s Party – The Lakes Golf Club

11/08 & 09 – International Festival at Vets Memorial Hall

11/10 - Jeff Swanagan – Ex. Dir. Columbus Zoo

Scheduled Committee Meetings

November 3

Assimilation
Business & Public Affairs
Drug, Alcohol & M.H.
International Relations
Senior Citizens
Young Children Priority One

November 10

Attendance & Retention
Homeless
Membership
Music & Arts
Spiritual Aims
Wills & Legacy

Today's Menu: House Salad, Roasted Sirloin

Trustees to meet ...

Trustees and committee chairs of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 4 at the Scioto Country Club. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Those wishing to stay for fellowship and dinner may do so. You will be able to order from the menu and you will be billed later.

All Club members are welcome to attend the monthly Trustee meetings. This is where the decisions are made regarding the community projects we will support, and how much money will be allocated to them. Your input is always welcome and appreciated.

R.S.V.P. s to Club secretary Paul Bohlman are required by October 31.

Room for a few more ...

There are still some spaces available at the upcoming Kiwanis Club of Columbus President’s Party, Friday, November 7. But you need to respond quickly.

This is our opportunity to thank past president Sam Vogel for his outstanding leadership during his award winning administrative year. It will be an a fun-filled night complete with live performances by the Kiwanis Players.

6:30 p.m. Reception

7:15 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Program and Show

Dinner includes your choice of ginger roasted salmon, petite filet & grilled chicken breast, or pasta primavera. Cost is \$65 per person. Black tie optional.

Reminder - This Sunday, November 2, the University Club will be holding their annual Pancake Breakfast at Wellington School (3650 Reed Rd, just north of Fishinger) from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is an all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage event for only \$5 per person. All Kiwanians and guests are welcome. Be sure to sign in to get attendance credit.

Get connected ...

Kiwanis is a large organization that extends well beyond the many activities, events and good things our Club is doing.

Our Club is part of the Ohio District Division 10W, which is comprised of 13 other clubs in the area. If you would like to stay connected with the other Division 10-W clubs and to engage them in discussion, you can do so through the Division Yahoo discussion group. To join, simply send an e-mail to “Division10WOhioDistrictKiwanis-subscribe@yahoogroups.com” and be sure to give your name and your club. If you hold an office or a chair, please include that as well. There is no charge to join or participate.



International Festival ...

The Columbus International Festival will be at Veterans Memorial Hall Saturday and Sunday, November 8 & 9.

Our Club, along with the Northern Kiwanis Club, will be manning a table to promote the fact that we are part of a worldwide organization.

The show runs from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. If you would be interested in helping to work the table for a three hour shift, before or after exploring the show, please contact Jerry Kuyoth at 614-273-3588 or at kuyoth@ncrccd.org to sign up.

Youth Sponsors Needed ...

The Ohio Key Leader session is scheduled for **November 14-16, 2008** at Recreation Unlimited near Ashley, Ohio. This dynamic leadership development program is geared toward high school sophomores and juniors. It is open to all, but each student must be sponsored. Sponsorship cost is \$150. Students may be sponsored by clubs or by individuals. This particular Key Leader session was added this fall because so many students had to be turned away last spring. It is anticipated that there will be another Key Leader Program offered during the spring of 2009. Sponsorship and registration information can be found at www.key-leader.org/. If you have a teenage son, daughter, nephew, niece, neighbor, etc. please consider making this exciting opportunity available to them.

1916 Society seeking new members ...

The 1916 Society was established 5 years ago through a matching funds challenge offered by Kiwanian **George Manser**. The goal was to raise money for the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation by encouraging members and friends to make a \$1,000 pledge, payable in \$250 increments over a four year period.

The name of the Society was chosen to represent the foresight and vision of our original founding members and the year in which they established our Club. At the time, we were the fifth Kiwanis Club, following only Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Rochester.



Gifts to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation are tax deductible since the Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization. A list of the 1916 Society members can be found on our Club's website in the Club History section.

The 1916 Society is just one way you can support the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation. The Wills and Legacy Committee, under the leadership of Kiwanian **David Weibel**, would be happy to discuss other options should you be interested. Many of our past and current members have included our Foundation in their charitable and estate plans.

Fundraiser Scheduled ...



New member **Martin Gaudiose**, CEO of Vision & Vocational Services, invites us to attend their *Imagine Breakfast*, Wednesday, November 12 from 8 to 9 a.m.

Vision and Vocational Services helps people with visual and other disabilities become more independent. The *Imagine Breakfast*, a free continental breakfast, is an opportunity to learn about the amazing mission and services to our community of Vision & Vocational Services, through live testimonies and a video.

It will be held at the Longaberger Alumni House, 2200 Olentangy River Road (across from the Schottenstein Center and adjacent to the Fawcett Center). There is ample free parking and registration will start at 7:30 a.m.

If you would like to attend, please contact Nena Bauman, Director of Development at (614) 294-5571.

All truths are easy to understand once they are discovered;
the point is to discover them.

~~ Galileo Galilei 1564-1642

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she has been a trustee for nine years. She is a member of the Association of Art Museum Directors, and has served on numerous panels and juries across the country, including the American Assembly, the Pew Charitable Trust and the Judith Rothschild Foundation. In 2002, she received one of the YWCA's annual Women of Achievement Awards.

Prior to coming to the Wexner Center, Ms. Geldin was Associate Director of The Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles, where for over a decade she played an integral role in the artistic, educational, and administrative growth of the institution. She also worked closely with Frank Gehry and Arata Isozaki on planning and design for MOCA's two buildings, and oversaw the organization of such major exhibitions as *Tokyo: Form and Spirit*, *Arata Isozaki*, *Robert Irwin*, and *Louis I. Kahn: In the Realm of Architecture*.

Ms. Geldin received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History at the University of California, Los Angeles, graduating Phi Beta Kappa and summa cum laude. She subsequently earned an MBA with a specialization in Arts Management, also from UCLA. During her graduate studies, she served a full-time internship at the Cooper-Hewitt Museum in New York, the national museum of design.

The President's Corner ...



As we approach another election, we can all be thankful that we live in a country in which we are free to choose our own leaders. Once we are in the voting booth, we have the privilege of voting without fear of reprisal or intimidation. An offshoot of our election process, however, is the negative ad. Like it or not, it's easier to convey a negative message about your opponent than it is to portray yourself in a positive light. The same is true is local news, where the saying "if it bleeds, it leads" may be truer than ever. This made me think of what kind of commercial we might make to promote Kiwanis Club of Columbus. Soft, uplifting music while our good deeds are promoted, or an attack on Rotary or the Lions to reduce their own level of support?

When I think of the children being served, the hungry being fed, and selfless volunteers quietly spending their time, talents and wealth to address community needs, I don't see a message that is easy to communicate or one that will garner the attention of today's media. It's a story the world needs to hear and our members deserve to be told, but it is difficult to balance the need to get the word out and just performing the service we all know is desperately needed. The Public Relations Committee is hard at work to reach out to the public to promote our club and what it has to offer. We hope we are reaching out to like-minded professionals who will join us in addressing a need, but most of our projects just aren't headline grabbing. This is why it is so important for each of us to tell our club's story to friends, colleagues and neighbors and invite them to join you for lunch. Even better, invite them along for a service project. That hands-on service is the best advertisement we could ever produce, and the new members that result are the best public relations we could ever have.



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.

Save those pop tabs ...

Throughout the course of a week, a month a year, we each directly, or indirectly, throw away hundreds of aluminum pop tabs on the various cans we drink from. What if we could collect all of those tabs and put them to good use?

The Key Clubs in Division 10 have an ongoing contest to see who can collect the most pop tabs. They are weighed, recycled and sold, with the proceeds going to Ronald McDonald House.

Let's help our Division 10-W Key Clubs win. Bring your tabs to a Club meeting and we will get them forwarded on for credit.

I signed up for an exercise class and was told to wear loose-fitting clothing. If I HAD any loose-fitting clothing I wouldn't have signed up in the first place!

Wouldn't you know it... brain cells come and brain cells go, but FAT cells live forever.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



11/03 - Dave Weibel

11/04 - Nancy Whetstone

11/06 - Jamie Richardson

11/09 - Don Hight

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