

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"



November 23, 2009

Major Frank Kirk Divisional Secretary, The Salvation Army in Central Ohio

Major Frank Kirk began his new assignment in Central Ohio in July of 2007, and he brings an extraordinary amount of expertise and dynamic life experience to his work and ministry.

"I came to The Army in 1960. I was 11 years old. I'd been living on the street for a couple months," says Maj. Kirk. His biological mother, who succumbed to alcoholism and prostitution, was no longer in his life, and her sister, who cared for him and his brother, became hospitalized. "A Salvation Army officer gave us some food and paid me to mow the lawn. I became involved in the band, and The Salvation Army became our church," he says.

At age 18, Maj. Kirk joined the U.S. Marine Corps and served with honor for four years, stationed in Vietnam and elsewhere, and earned awards for bravery, gallantry and marksmanship.

Upon returning to the States, he was reunited with his future wife, Maj. Bonnie Kirk, who was a Salvation Army officer assigned to a corps in Providence, R.I. As he listened to her preach and contemplated what he would do after his Marine service ended, he says, "God revealed to me that nothing I had done so far in my life mattered as much as this, and that I would marry this woman." The two were married, Maj. Kirk completed his Salvation Army Officer Training, and the couple received their first assignment together in 1974.

They have served in several corps in New England, as Area Coordinators in Akron, and they have held Divisional appointments in Northeastern Ohio and Northern New England.

The Columbus community has welcomed the Kirks, and they have proven to be gifted leaders and managers and compassionate ministers. They have three biological sons as well as a son and daughter who came to live with them through their ministry in The Salvation Army.



Thank you
Kathleen Roberts
and **Lis Spaine**
for greeting us today.



Thank you
Lisa Jolley
for providing today's
invocation.

Calendar of Events

11/26 – Thanksgiving Day

11/30 – Rock Jones - Ohio Wesleyan University

12/19 – OSU Basketball – Kiwanis Day

Scheduled Committee Meetings

November 23

Boast
Boost
Career Guidance
Public Affairs
Service Leadership Program

November 30

5th Monday of the month -
No committee meetings.

1916 Society and
Hixson Fellow recognition

Today's Menu: House Salad, Sauteed Tilapia, Honey-Pecan Butter

President's Corner



As we come to the end of November and the Thanksgiving season, we often start thinking about our year-end tax planning and charitable giving. This year I would like to remind you to think particularly about the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation.

Our Foundation has a current corpus of roughly \$750,000, of which much has been donated by our members through the 1916 Society, bequests, and other generous donations made by loyal members who want to grow the Foundation. This year, our Club received an allocation equal to four percent of the Foundation's value as of the end of December 2008. These funds are to be used as part of our 2009-2010 charitable giving budget, with the remaining \$50,000 coming from our two planned fundraisers, the Auction (4/23/10) and the Regatta (8/16/10). Our Club's extensive committee system seeks out and approves the various charities, such as the Boys and Girls Club, the Columbus Metropolitan Library and a myriad of others, who will receive funding. That money helps the neediest people in our community. That is what Kiwanis is all about: helping those in great need to fulfill their potential.

This Holiday Season, please think about the following:

- Making a cash donation of any size to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation;
- Rolling over an IRA to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation and taking the entire charitable donation;
- Contacting one of our estate and tax planning attorneys to put the Foundation in your will.

Mike Becker is coordinating this effort and you will surely be hearing from him. But you can be pro-active by contacting him to get the ball rolling. When we get the Foundation to the one million dollar level we will be able to do so much more for our community. The need is great. Please respond to the need.

Kiwanis Day at the Schott ...

What better way to spend a Saturday afternoon than cheering on the Ohio State Men's basketball team? Saturday, December 19, is 'Kiwanis Day' at the Schottenstein Center, where Ohio State will take on Delaware State in a 4 p.m. tip-off. Kiwanians from throughout central Ohio will be converging on the arena to high-five the players as they come onto the court. Tickets are \$15 per person and you are welcome to bring your entire family, friends and neighbors. Please note that tickets **MUST** be purchased **NO LATER** than December 1. Checks should be made out to Kiwanis Club of Columbus and sent to Secretary **Paul Bohlman**



Turn it off, really off ...

We all turn off the TV when we are done watching or go to bed, right? Probably not, because almost all appliances with remote control, slumber with continued power consumption. The solution is to turn off the power before it gets to the appliance. This is best accomplished with a power strip. The strip cuts off the power and usually provides protection against power surges, so don't buy a power surge protector too.

Think this is not worth it? Around 10% of your electric bill is spent on keeping appliances ready to turn on. In my case that is about \$180 per year and with all of the accompanying air pollution, mountain-top mining and transportation costs.

Too inconvenient? Power strips can now be purchased with motion sensors, sensors that detect when an appliance is in slumber mode and cut all power to it, or maybe a \$3 timer is all that is needed to reduce wasted power consumption.



Did you know?

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln gave his Thanksgiving Day Proclamation, making Thanksgiving an official national holiday.

To Georgia with love ...

Our Kiwanis International Relations committee is promoting a special event benefiting children living in orphanages in the country of Georgia. The Columbus International Program, Children Helping Children, International and The Columbus International Children’s Choir will be performing a special concert featuring rising stars in the Columbus music community.

The event will take place Sunday, November 22, at 7 p.m. in Mees Hall (2199 E. Main Street) on the campus of Capital University. Boyce Lancaster, host of WOSU classical 89.7, will do the introductions.

The concert is sponsored in part by Capital University Conservatory of Music. The cost of admission is \$15 / \$12 for seniors. To reserve tickets, call (614) 657-4501.

David T. Fenner, CIC
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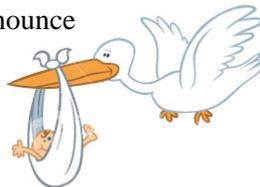
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“Ask me about the Keystone Group”

Stork visits Kiwanis again!

Jim and Kathryn Baron are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter Lily Miranda Baron. Lily was born at 4:46 a.m. on Sunday, November 15th, weighing in at 6 pounds 7 ounces. She is 18.5” long.



Mom and Dad are tired, but are too fascinated with Lily to take a nap.

Dad is very proud of Mom, who was strong as can be and did a great job!

Words to live by ...

The good you do today could easily be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway. You don't need any reward or tributes because you know you have expressed your highest self. Do what you love and do what fills you with energy, and this will be its own reward. You may never hear about it, but the seed of your goodness will bear fruit somewhere and sometime.

Is bowling up your alley?

Each week we enjoy the luxury of the Athletic Club of Columbus as we dine and listen to a great speaker. The Athletic Club is a large facility, but few of us have been beyond the second floor ballroom where we meet.

For example, were you aware there is a bowling alley in the basement? Probably not. So here’s your opportunity to do a little exploring. On Thursday, January 21, we will be hosting a Third Thursday social bowling event at the Columbus Athletic Club. Admission to this event is a \$10 (or more) contribution to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation. Finger food and drinks will be on a cash basis, but bowling will be free.

We will start the event at 5 p.m., for those wanting to leave work a little early, and go until 9 p.m. So stop by, bowl a few frames, grab some food and/or beverage and network with your fellow Kiwanians. Keep watching the newsletter for additional details as we get closer. For now, just mark your calendar, or contact Past President **Sam Vogel** to sign up. Checks should be made out to the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation and given to Club Secretary **Paul Bohlman**.



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Moe: 'My wife got me to believe in religion.'
Joe: 'Really?'
Moe: 'Yeah. Until I married her I didn't believe in Hell.'

Builder's Club officially chartered ...

Through the exhaustive efforts of Past Presidents **Fil Line** and **Scott Lindsey**, our Club organized the only new Builders Club within the Ohio District during the 2008-09 administrative year. This past week, ceremonies were held to officially present the charter to the school and to formally install the Club members and officers. Kiwanis District Governor **Don Parker** represented Kiwanis International and presented the charter.

Builders Club is an international student-led program providing members with opportunities to perform service, build character and develop leadership. It is open to middle and junior high school students. As students maneuver this "in-between-stage" of life, Builders Club empowers them to be themselves, work together with friends, and implement plans through action. Clubs are chartered in partnership with a Kiwanis club and a school or community-based organization serving middle or junior high school students.

This is our Club's first Builders Club and we are proud to sponsor them. They are already active with several projects and we will continue to keep you posted with opportunities we may have to support their efforts. Our Service Leadership Programs now include the Capital University Circle K, the Hannah Neil Key Club and the School for the Blind Key Club. If you would like to get involved with one of these groups,

contact **Rita Edwards**, Service Leadership Program Chair.



What did one elevator say to the other elevator?? "I think I'm coming down with something."

One snowman says to another snowman,
"Funny, I smell carrots, too."



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

11/24 – Mike Stanley

11/25 – Robert Setterlin, III

"You'll never get ahead of someone if you're trying to get even with them."

~ Lou Holtz

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