

# 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 30, 2009

## Rock Jones

### President, Ohio Wesleyan University

Rock Jones, Ph.D., joined Ohio Wesleyan July 1, 2008 as president. Formerly executive vice president and dean of advancement at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, he spearheaded a comprehensive campaign to reposition the college as a leader in engaged liberal arts education. Also at Hendrix, Jones served as vice president for enrollment and dean of admission and financial aid, interim vice president for student affairs and chaplain.

Jones holds a Ph.D. in educational administration from the University of Texas-Austin, a master of divinity *magna cum laude* from the Divinity School at Duke University and a bachelor of arts with honors from Hendrix College, where he received the college's President's Medal, presented to the student who best exemplifies the school's highest ideals.

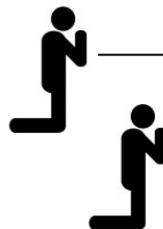
Ohio Wesleyan University is one of the nation's premier small liberal arts colleges. It boasts a rigorous curriculum, exceptionally strong mentoring relationships between students and faculty, and a host of experiential learning opportunities that link the liberal arts to practical realities and prepare students for service and leadership in their careers and communities. Chartered in 1842, Ohio Wesleyan is a highly selective, coeducational, residential, privately supported liberal arts college located 20 minutes north of Columbus in Delaware, a vibrant community of 31,000 and seat of one of the fastest-growing counties in the country.

With a campus of more than 200 acres adjoining downtown Delaware, the Ohio Wesleyan community includes 137 full-time faculty members and some 1,850 students. OWU is profiled in *Colleges That Change Lives* by Loren Pope and is consistently highly ranked by such organizations and publications as *The Princeton Review*, The Templeton Foundation, the National Survey of Student Engagement, *Washington Monthly*, and *U.S. News and World Report*.

Founded by Methodists in 1842, OWU maintains an active affiliation with The United Methodist Church but is recognized nationally for welcoming students of all religious faiths. The University provides support for all denominations and coordinates an active program of social action and community service. Known early in its history as the "West Point of Missions" because of the number of graduates who served abroad as missionaries, Ohio Wesleyan later was recognized for the number of alumni who served as Peace Corps volunteers. Today, more than 80 percent of the students participate in volunteerism and community service.



Thank you **Jacalyn Slemmer**  
and **Kathleen Roberts**  
for greeting us today.



Thank you  
**Kathleen Roberts**  
for providing today's  
invocation.

## Calendar of Events

12/08 – Trustee meeting at Scioto Country Club

12/10 – Third Thursday Social at Bar Louie - Easton

12/19 – Kiwanis at OSU Men's Basketball game

## Scheduled Committee Meetings

### November 30

5<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month -  
No committee meetings.

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1916 Society and  
Hixson Fellow recognition

### December 7

Environment & Agriculture  
Golf  
Interclub  
Laws & Regulations  
Reception/Invocation  
Scholarship  
Youth Oppor./Citizenship

***Today's Menu:* House Salad, Smoked Chicken Pasta with Roasted Tomatoes, Spinach, Red Onions, Garlic White Wine Sauce**

### President's Corner



In those months when there are five Mondays, we will continue to recognize our members who are supporters of the 1916 Society and those who are recipients of the Hixson Fellowship Awards.

The Columbus Kiwanis Foundation, through the foresight and generous matching gift of **George Manser**, started the 1916 Society as a means of increasing our Foundation's corpus. Growing our Foundation allows us to increase the funds our committees have available to distribute through our community service projects. We have 64 members of that Society (see web site for full listing), which I think is an amazing number of folks who have each contributed a minimum of \$1,000 each. Some have contributed much more than that.

In addition, please see the article in this newsletter regarding the George F. Hixson Fellowship Awards and our Club's participation. Over the years, we have had 69 members recognized for outstanding service to Kiwanis, and of those, 49 are still actively involved with our Club. The names of the current members are in that same article, as well as on our web site.

In this season, when we often think about and try to help those less fortunate than we are, the 1916 Society and the George F. Hixson Fellowship Awards provide vehicles for us to contribute to causes worthy of our consideration.

Think about becoming a contributing member of this Society, which helps those in our area, and of the Hixson Fellowship Awards as a means to help those outside our area.

We will honor our 10 Diamond Hixson Fellows on Monday. These individuals are identified in the article with a designation following their name.

### An Interview with Ted Coons

*Sponsored by President Char Collister\**



**Theodore W. Coons** is the penultimate Kiwanian. He has strong ties to Columbus and the Kiwanis Club of Columbus. Ted was sponsored by former president **Jim Gaupp** and joined the Club in September, 1972. He has held every office in the Club, serving as president in 1986. He followed in the footsteps of his father, **William Coons**, who was also a president of our Club. Unfortunately, William passed away after serving only 6 weeks of his term as president.

In 1993, Coons served as Lieutenant Governor for Division 10-W (1993-94) and then served as the Ohio District Governor in 1997-1998. He continues to be actively involved with Kiwanis by serving as the Executive Director of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. In that role, he is responsible for promoting the District Foundation to clubs throughout the State of Ohio. He also manages the foundation and reports to its Board of Directors.

Coons' Kiwanis accomplishments also include ten diamond Hixsons. The monies contributed by Ted to the Foundation were made during the IDD campaign championed by Kiwanis International and UNICEF. The goal of the campaign was to eradicate Iodine Deficiency Disorder worldwide by raising \$75 million. Iodine deficiency largely affects the poor and underprivileged, whether here in Ohio or in the farthest corners of Africa, due to deficiencies that limit iodine intake. In addition to these contributions, Ted is most proud of the development of the Columbus Kiwanis Foundation during his presidency.

When Ted is not serving Kiwanis or performing his duties as owner and president of The Spillman Company, he enjoys fly fishing, stamp collecting, snow skiing and traveling. He and Lynn, his wife of 37 years, recently traveled to Antarctica which Ted describes as "the wildest place on earth."

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## Hixson Fellows ...

The George F. Hixson Fellowship was created by the Kiwanis International Foundation in 1983. The purpose of this Fellowship was to honor the first president of Kiwanis International, George F. Hixson, and to establish an endowment fund.

The George F. Hixson Fellow is one of the Kiwanis International Foundation's highest honors. Membership is granted to those individuals who have made a contribution of \$1,000 or a contribution in that amount has been made by a Kiwanis club, individual, company or organization to honor a deserving individual. Only individuals are eligible to become members of the Hixson Fellowship.



Contributions are placed in the Kiwanis International Foundation's endowment fund where only the earnings are used to provide grants in support of Kiwanis-sponsored youth, disaster relief and the needs of children around the world. Subsequent contributions of \$1,000 entitle George F. Hixson Fellows to become Diamond Level Fellows.

In total, our Club has had 69 members become George F. Hixson Fellows, contributing a total of \$96,000 to the Kiwanis International Foundation. Ten of the 69 are Diamond Level Fellows (DLF). The following active Club members are Hixson Fellows:

**Robert Banasik**  
**Ned Barthelmas**  
**Paul Baumer**  
**Paul Bohlman, DLF-2**  
**Richard Castrop**  
**Charlotte Collister**  
**S. Ronald Cook**  
**Theodore Coons, DLF-10**  
**Ohmer Crowell, DLF-1**  
**John DeSando**  
**Neil Distelhorst**  
**Scott Doellinger**

**Jean Evans**  
**David Fenner**  
**David Gallit**  
**Robert Gardner**  
**John Garvin**  
**William Gillam**  
**Cris Gillespie**  
**William Grove, DLF-2**  
**Richard Heer**  
**Lisa Jolley**  
**Ken Keller**  
**Ellwood Lewis**

**Scott Lindsey**  
**Fil Line, DLF-1**  
**George Manser, DLF-1**  
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**Michaela McGinn**  
**Paul Metger**  
**Fred Miller, DLF-4**  
**Robert Murchake**  
**William Newman**  
**David Pritchard**  
**Robert Reynolds**  
**Kathleen Roberts**

**George Ruff**  
**J. David Ryan**  
**John Schoedinger, DLF-1**  
**Thomas Sherrill, DLF-2**  
**James Shively**  
**James Skidmore, DLF-1**  
**Mark Swepston**  
**Kristen Sydney**  
**Richard Tice**  
**David Timmons**  
**Sam Vogel**  
**Daniel Ward**  
**Roy Young**

### Third Thursday on second Thursday ...

With the hectic schedules of the holiday season, please note that the December edition of the monthly 'Third Thursday' social event will be held on December 10 (second Thursday) at Bar Louie- Easton beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Why not stop in, have some adult refreshments and then spend the evening shopping at Easton? All members, spouses and guests are welcome to join us. This is a great way to network with fellow Kiwanians, have some fun and relax. Hope to see you there! The more, the merrier!



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Did you hear the one about the tiger who swallowed a frog? He's liable to croak at any minute.

### News of note ...

**Karen Hockstad**, of Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP, has been appointed as Chair of the Ohio State Bar Association Corporate Counsel Section Council. Congratulations, Karen!

Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.

## The perfect employee gift ...

Looking for the perfect gift to give to a group of employees, members of your church group, your neighborhood dinner club or your kid's Cub Scout pack? How about the mailman, the newspaper boy and other service personnel you like to give small tokens of appreciation to during the Holiday season? A Giant Eagle gift card can be the one gift to fit all of those needs.



Normally, we purchase Giant Eagle gift cards in \$100 increments, but at this time of the year, we can special order them in other denominations, such as \$10, \$15, \$25 or \$50. Just let Secretary **Paul Bohlman** know what denomination(s) you would like and how many. Remember, we get 5% of the face value of each card, your employee, mailman or whoever gets to earn Fuel Perks and you get to look like the thoughtful, generous person you truly are. It is a win-win-win situation.

**Don't forget, the deadline for purchasing tickets to Kiwanis Day at the Ohio State Men's basketball game on December 19 is December 1. Tickets are \$15 each. Please make your checks payable to Kiwanis Club of Columbus and give them to Secretary Paul Bohlman. There is no ticket limit.**

## Available Light Theatre's awkward re-telling of a Christmas Classic ...

For 30 years, Winford Doke, CPA, has been the venerated host of ConAm's Annual Xmas Spectacular, featuring Winford's glorious rendition of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. However, four hours, ago Winford Doke was fired, leaving his assistant, Artie Isaac, to take over the holiday duties. Taking the stage with no time to prepare, and only Doke's stubborn stage hand, Jo Anne, to help him through it, Artie faces down the ultimate December Dilemma. Please join us for this hilarious take on a Christmas Classic, December 10<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Columbus Performing Arts Center.

## Consolidated Amalgamated's Annual XMAS Spectacular

featuring ~~Winford Doke, CPA~~  
Artie Isaac

DECEMBER 10-12, 8 P.M.  
DECEMBER 13, 2 P.M.

Columbus Performing Arts Center  
549 Franklin Avenue  
(614) 558-7408 • www.avltheatre.com

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Ted and Lynn have 3 children, son Ted, Jr. and daughter Blythe, both living in New York City, and daughter Margaret, who is a senior in high school living at home.

Ted's dedication to the Club, the District, Kiwanis International and the Kiwanis Columbus Foundation are truly inspiring.

*\* The boost committee is offering members the opportunity to sponsor interviews with other Club members to be printed in the Newsletter for \$25.*



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