

The Bulletin



"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world - one child and one community at a time."

August 6, 2007

At Kiwanis Club of Columbus, Service is the Air We Breathe

Chester R. Jourdan, Jr.
Executive Director
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Whether it's been hurricane recovery and rebuilding, or transportation and the environment, there's no shortage of strategic, regional efforts that Chester R. Jourdan, Jr. has led in Southeast Texas. Chester brought his successful leadership skills, diverse experience and passion for regionalism to central Ohio as the executive director of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), appointed in December 2006.

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is a voluntary association of governments serving Ohio. A catalyst for regional change, evidence of MORPC's work is seen everyday through planning, programming and brokerage services in the areas of housing, transportation, water, land use, zoning environmental and technology issues. MORPC serves 42 local governments by providing innovative solutions for the many challenges facing our growing region.

At the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC), Chester led an effective multi-level, far-reaching organization that addressed regional initiatives by promoting collaboration and cooperation, conducting comprehensive regional planning, being an advocate, developing new programs, building community and business alliances, and providing a forum for the discussion and study of area issues.

He also served with the United States Department of Transportation in many different capacities in Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Georgia and Fort Worth, Texas.

Chester earned a Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Affairs from the University of Texas at Arlington and has completed doctoral course work focused on organizational management, urban economics, planning, public policy and public administration. He received a Bachelor of Science in political science at Stephen F. Austin State University.



Thank you, Matt Schmitt, for providing the invocation.
Thank you, Tim & Irina Barhorst, for greeting today.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 10 Book cleaning project, 3 p.m.

August 14 Trustee Meeting, Scioto Country Club

August 14 & 15 Tom Fennessey Back to School Project

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS

This Monday

Golf
Membership
Scholarship
Business & Public Affairs

Next Monday

Drug, Alcohol & Mental Health
Homeless
International Relations
Senior Citizens
Sponsored Youth

Menu for Today: House Salad, Sauteed Salmon, Smoked Tomato Relish



Book-cleaning day ...

Lisa Jolley is planning a book-cleaning day next Friday, Aug. 10, from 3 p.m. until 'we can't stand it anymore' — probably around 9 p.m. Remember: This is a dirty job, so bring old clothes. It is also a hot warehouse. Hopefully, Lisa will have plenty of helpers. Anyone can help, so please recruit helpers!

Lisa is hoping to get books to a few different groups: The Tom Fennessey Back-to-School Project; the Charity Newsies; the YWCA Family Center and possibly others.

Anyone who is available to help, please contact Lisa at ljolley@columbusfoundation.org or call her at 251-4000, and tell her you're coming to work, so that she will know how many people to expect.

Racing in the Regatta? Take some tips from a pro.

Tired of returning to the office to report that, once again, you didn't win the White Castle Regatta? To help you, and to provide some guidance for first-time skippers, we asked a pro for tips on sailing home a winner.



Collingsworth P. Anchordrager credits three simple preparations for his many successes in the Regatta. "To begin, I always eat well before the race. This not only provides the energy I need, but the added girth makes it difficult for competitors to get a clear shot at their yachts.

"Next, I spend a full minute charging my Super Soaker before the starting whistle. The first year I had so much pressure built up I blew a hole in my sail, but I've learned to modify my technique so that now I just splinter a little of the decking.

"Finally, I keep an eye out for David D'Herete and, whenever I can make it seem like an accident, I kick him in the shins. So far this hasn't seemed to slow him down, but it does make him wince when he hops around the pool and that's something, at least."

You, too, can be a winner like Captain Anchordrager, but not if you don't have a ride. Sign your company up today to race in the 2007 White Castle Regatta on behalf of Childhood Literacy, presented by our Kiwanis Club on Monday, August 20th, on the steps of the Columbus Public Library. It's the best \$500 your company will donate all year.

And bring the whole office with you, to cheer you home a winner!





President's Corner

A few days ago, I was trying to balance my checkbook with my on-line recordkeeping. For the first time, and for the life of me, I couldn't get them to agree.

After way too many hours I discovered the problem; there was a hidden deposit that kept influencing the outcome without being visible to me.

We have members in our Club like that. They, too, make positive contributions to the outcome of our activities without always being visible. Here are just three.

Holly Stokes, who chairs our Homeless Committee, has done a first-rate job of leading her committee in identifying needs and directing funds to serve the Homeless community. But she also is responsible for providing a four-person crew one Sunday each month to work the Salvation Army's Heart-to-Heart Canteen. To her credit, we've not missed a month.

Irina Barhorst must also work with our membership, recruiting men and women to serve as greeters each Monday. Irina's very clearly a people-person, and members are quick to respond to her call. Irina is also very organized, and has the names of greeters ready for inclusion in our weekly Bulletin well before deadline.

We all know Dave Weibel plays a great banjo. What's less well known is that Dave also chairs the Music and Arts Committee, responsible for our weekly entertainment as well as our annual Valentine's Day program. For good measure, this year Dave honcho'ed the formation of "The Downtowners" Dixieland band.

Three people whose contributions to our Club have created value, sometimes hidden, but always appreciated by those whom they serve. Thank you, Holly, Irina and Dave, from a grateful Club.



Member News

Past President Fil Line is back downtown, but still in the commercial real estate business. ROI Realty Services is a niche commercial real estate brokerage conveniently located at 555 S. Front St. in the Brewery District. Fil's profession is the same as it has been for the past 11 years; he's just in a new location with a different firm. Feel free to contact Fil for any of your commercial real estate needs.

Meet our newest member ...

Rabbi Misha Zinkow has been Senior Rabbi at Temple Israel in Columbus, Ohio since July, 2004. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Occidental College in 1978, a Master's Degree in Hebrew Letters from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion's Los Angeles campus, and Rabbinic Ordination from its New York campus in 1985.



Rabbi Zinkow has served as a URJ Camp Director (Swig, 1984-1992), a pulpit rabbi in San Francisco, California (Congregation Emanu-El) and St. Paul, Minnesota (Mt. Zion Hebrew Congregation, as co-senior rabbi with his wife Rabbi Elka Abrahamson) (1992-2000), and a Hillel rabbi (The Ohio State University, 2001-2004). His rabbinate is notable for his expertise in the areas of worship renewal, lifelong learning, social justice and synagogue transformation.

Rabbi Zinkow serves on the Adjunct Faculty of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in the Mayerson Mentoring program. He is also on the Lippman-Kanfer Institute for Re-envisioning Jewish Education for the 21st Century.

Rabbi Zinkow and Rabbi Abrahamson have four children, ages 14 to 22.

Regatta Help Still Needed ...

Volunteers are needed to assist with the set-up and clean-up at this year's Regatta on August 20. This is the Youth Opportunity and Citizenship Committees' service initiative, so those members will form the core group of support, but they will need additional assistance. Contact Jerry Durham of the Regatta Committee, and Mike Haemmerle, to discuss what support you can provide.



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Birthdays

Aug 7	Donald Boyd
Aug 7	George Wertz
Aug 9	Beth Dorsey
Aug 12	Robert Gardner
Aug 12	Ralph Quellhorst

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