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# Ohio Politics Pre Primary

Wednesday, March 18, 2020



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Kyle Kondik is managing editor of Sabato's Crystal Ball, the University of Virginia Center for Politics' authoritative, nonpartisan newsletter on American campaigns and elections. He is a frequently cited expert on American politics, and has appeared on CNN, Fox News, MSNBC, PBS, NewsHour, and Comedy Central's The Daily Show. His book on Ohio's presidential voting history, *The Bellwether*, was released June 2016. Kondik also serves as the Center's communications director and is based in Washington, where he manages the Center's D.C. office. Before joining the Center in 2011, Kondik served as Director of Policy and Research for former Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray, and as a reporter, editorial page editor, and political columnist at newspapers in Northeast Ohio. He is a 2006 graduate of the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism at Ohio University, where he also served as editor of the university's student-run newspaper, *The Post*.

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**Karen Kasler**  
Bureau Chief, Statehouse News Bureau

Karen Kasler is Statehouse Bureau Chief for Ohio Public Radio and TV, and has worked with the organization since 2004. Previously, she worked at WTAM-AM in Cleveland, WBNS-TV, and WCBE-AM. During her career, Kasler covered the 2000 Republican National Convention, was media witness to the execution of Wilford Berry, and co-produced an award-winning, nationally-distributed documentary on the one-year anniversary of September 11th. Each year, she anchors the Bureau's live coverage of the governor's State of the State. She's produced features for NPR and Marketplace, and has been interviewed by NPR, the BBC, NBC, and several local and regional stations. Kasler received her bachelor's degree from Otterbein College and was a Fellow in the Kiplinger Program for Mid-Career Journalists at The Ohio State University where she received her master's degree.

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**Derrick Clay**  
CEO, New Visions Group

Derrick Clay joined New Visions Group in 2004 as Vice President and Partner after a career in state and national politics. He acquired the firm in 2014 and assumed the title of President/CEO. Previously, he served as Midwest Political Director for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, Ohio State Director for the Gore-Lieberman 2000 Presidential Campaign, and a staff member of the historic Florida Recount Committee. He also was the Ohio State Director for the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Hero Program and Field Director for the Ohio Democratic Party. Clay is a graduate of University of Akron with a degree in business and organizational communication. In February 2001, he received an honorary certificate from the University of Akron's Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, and in 2004, he was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Akron's Office of Multicultural Development.

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**La Trice Washington, Ph.D.**  
Associate Professor of Political Science, Otterbein University

Dr. La Trice Washington is the Chair of the Department of History Political Science and a tenured Associate Professor of Political Science at Otterbein College in Westerville. She is the author of *The Veteran's Millennium Health Care Act of 1999: A Case Study of Role Orientations of Legislators, the President, and Interest Groups* (University Press of America 2003), "The Civil Rights Act of 1968" in *Affirmative Action, An Encyclopedia*, ed. James Beckman, Oryx Press 2003, and "Americans United for Affirmative Action" in *Affirmative Action, An Encyclopedia*, ed. James Beckman, Oryx Press, 2003. Dr. Washington received her Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Augustine's College, Master's of Arts degree in constitutional law and state and local government, and Ph.D. in American government and public administration from Howard University.

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The CMC's mission is to connect people and ideas through community conversation. Individual and corporate contributions are an important part of what keeps these conversations vibrant and affordable.

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## Upcoming Live Streaming Forums

Forums are 12-1:15 p.m.  
CMC YouTube Channel

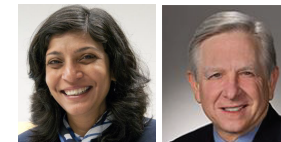
**Please continue to register as usual for livestreams to be able to ask questions during the Q&A portion and for updates on future forums.**

### Buried in Plastic

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Featuring **D. Scott Barbour**, President and CEO, Advanced Drainage Systems, **Ben Kessler**, Mayor of Bexley, and **Aparna Dial**, Senior Director of Sustainability and Strategic Services, The Ohio State University. Hosted by **Ty Marsh**, Executive Director SWACO (Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio).

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### April 8: NCH Mental Health Center

Featuring **Tim Robinson**, CEO, Nationwide Children's Hospital and **David Axelson**, MD, Chief of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, Nationwide Children's Hospital  
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### April 15: Electoral College For Better or Worse

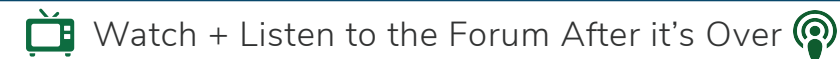
Featuring **Jesse Weggman**, author and editorial board, *New York Times*; **Edward Foley**, Director, Election Law at Moritz; **Charles W. Ebersold** and **Florence Whitcomb Ebersold**, Chair in Constitutional Law, OSU Moritz College of Law  
**Sponsored by:** Hannah News Service and Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

### April 22: Optimal Health

Series launch featuring **Greg Moody**, Executive-in-Residence, John Glenn College of Public Affairs

### April 29: New Columbus Chief of Police

Featuring Columbus Police Chief **Thomas Quinlan** and special introduction by **Dawn Tyler Lee**, Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Columbus  
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- 1 WOSU Public Media, CMC's broadcast partner, televises CMC forums on the WOSU Ohio digital channel and over-the-air on channel 34.2. The most recent forums air on Mondays at 9 p.m.
- 2 CTV, Columbus Television, airs the broadcasts on Insight, Wow, Spectrum (Channel 3), and AT&T U-Verse (Channel 99).
- 3 On the CMC website at [columbusmetroclub.org](http://columbusmetroclub.org).
- 4 On your favorite podcast channel and WCBE, Saturdays at 3 p.m.

## Columbus Metropolitan Club to Live Stream Forums

With respect to Governor Mike DeWine's latest message and mandate to cancel mass gatherings, the Columbus Metropolitan Club will postpone live audience participation at its popular weekly Wednesday lunch forums until further notice. CMC will continue with regularly scheduled programming with speakers and panelists to be live-streamed via YouTube, free of charge.

Members and registrants will be able to roll registrations into credit for future forums. For that reason, we are extending our cancellation

window. We are happy to roll your registration fee to a future forum.

**Please continue to register as usual for livestreams to be able to ask questions and for updates on future forums.**

**Updated cancellation policy:** Registrants have until 11:00 a.m. on the day of the forum to cancel their registration by email or by phone. Registrants will receive a forum credit.

Call (614) 464-3220, ext. 4, and leave a message stating that you wish to cancel your registration or email [montra@columbusmetroclub.org](mailto:montra@columbusmetroclub.org).



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