

Wild Bill At The Columbia

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It has been 23 years this week since they gave **Wild Bill Minahan** that new kidney.

The former **Jesuit** coach and athletics director has a few other physical ailments, but none has prevented him and his wife, Martha, from giving something back with fundraisers for others.

On Friday they will host a buffet lunch at the Columbia restaurant in Ybor City to benefit LifeLink patients who struggle with the enormous cost of organ transplants.

There will be a bunch of local celebrities acting as waiters. Fortunately, it will be a buffet, and one of the celeb waiters will be owner **Richard Gonzmart**, who will make sure the others don't do anything dumb like St. Pete Times columnist **Ernest Hooper** did with that butter dish incident in 2008.

Other servers will be Channel 10's **Dave Wirth**, football legend **Freddie Solomon**, WFLA radio's **Tedd Webb** and me. Come on over.