

K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* **KIWANIGRAM**

Vol. LVI

January 18, 2006

No. 15

CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

Randy Neugebauer represents the 19th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives. Currently in his second term, he took office on June 5, 2003, following a run-off election to decide who would be only the fourth representative from this district. He serves on the House Committees on **Agriculture** and **Financial Services**. Prior to his election, Randy served as the President and CEO of Lubbock Land Company, a residential and commercial land development company, which created many successful Subdivisions in Lubbock.

Randy graduated from Lubbock's Coronado High School and later attended Texas Tech University. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Dana. Together they have two sons, a daughter-in-law and two grandsons. We look forward to having Congressman Neugebauer at our next meeting.

WHAT A MEETING! January 11, 2006



events and organizations in the community and gain Fellowship.

Bill Zavatson reminded us that he has been a member for 25 years! He's made a lot of friends. He spoke of how easy it is to have perfect attendance in Kiwanis because of the number of Clubs in town. "There is a meeting every day of the week".

Russell Berry is the "Community Man". He joined to be able to mix and mingle with others in the community. He, like other Kiwanians, has made many friends through Kiwanis, enjoys knowing that everyone can benefit

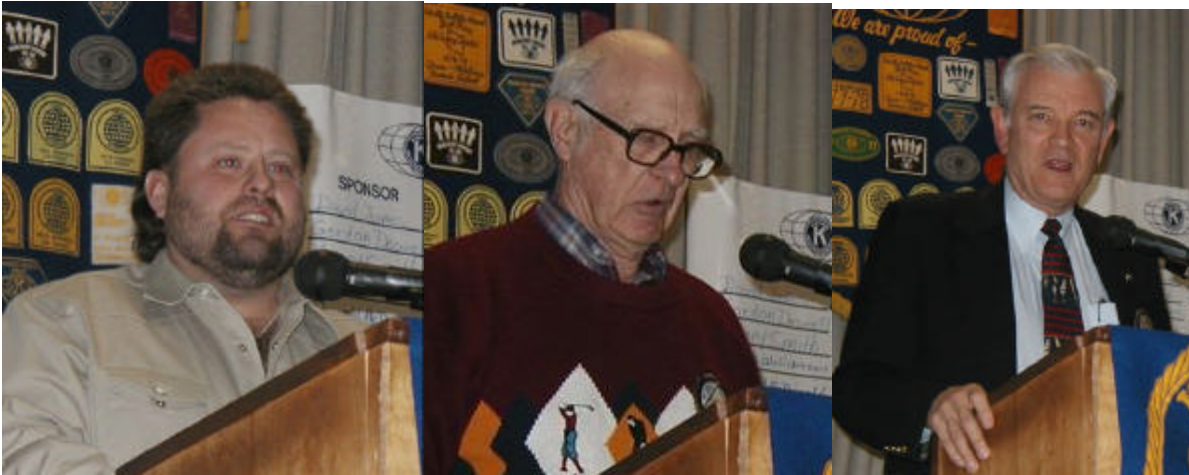
MEMBERSHIP

Kimberley Cole and Doug Williamson

It is always refreshing to see that each Kiwanian in our club is so dedicated. We were able to hear from some of those dedicated members this week.

Doug Williamson opened the program with such gratitude to such a wonderful group of friends, always there through thick or thin, that you couldn't help but want to be a member. This program of membership was really about sharing. By sharing Kiwanis with others we are able to help Camp Courage, the See By Three program, Children's Miracle Network, Volunteer to





from the good that is done, and has even held the position of President.

Kenny Smith believes it's important to be able to pray together, pledge together and is a very proud Kiwanian.

Kenny reminded us that bringing in new members is a very important part of belonging to the club.

Kimberley Cole told us all how glad she is to be here each week. Even though sometimes, as we've all felt, she just doesn't feel up to going. However, after just walking through the doors it all changes and she is glad to have made the effort. She said that this is such a meaningful place to be. The Kiwanis Club of Abilene is her second family.

We all now have a better understanding of Membership.

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 1/11/06

President Gordon Dowell presided over the meeting. **Marcus Anderson** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Carl Lockett** led the prayer, **Clarence Presswood** led the pledge and **President Dowell** introduced the program.

Prayer Requests

President Dowell, as he has recently had eye surgery.

Roy Lewis.

LuGene Lewis.

Nelda Wallace.

Gary and Deonna Galbraith's son.

Van Boozer's son-in-law.

Chester McAlpin.

Billy Clay.

Kimberley Cole's husband, as he makes decisions about D.P.S.

All those affected by the Cross Plains fires.

Don't forget to pray for RAIN!

To those not mentioned, our prayers are still with you.

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE –PERSONAL MEMORIALS

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me. Psalm 66:16

The art of storytelling, no doubt, dates back to the Garden of Eden, and for good reason. Most people enjoy the pleasure factor of a good story, and you probably do as well. Even more, however, you enjoy the purpose—and the memories—that you find in stories. Through oral histories you learn what went before you, and through them you pass on what has happened in your experiences.

Erecting personal memorials of your life—stories, photo albums, family traditions, prayer journals and the like—

commemorates the blessings that come your way. When you “tell of what he has done,” you are twice blessed: in seeing the joy it brings to others and in the reliving of your story.

Parents will tell their children what you have done. They will retell your mighty acts, wonderful majesty, and glory. And I will think about your miracles. They will tell about the amazing things you do, and I will tell how great you are. Psalm 145:4-6

Prayer: Praise you, God, for the story you write in my life, the story of how you save me because you love me. Thank you for the good news of this story. In Jesus name Amen.

BIRTHDAYS –	January	ANNIVERSARIES-	January
Jim Miller	20	Chuck DeMone	21
Lorin Watson	22	Billy Yarborough	21
John Landry Sr.	23		

Luncheon Cup Money for January 11, 2005 was \$37.53

GUESTS FOR 1/11/05

Margaret Jolly introduced the guests.

Joan Knight was the guest of George Knight

Kari Leavenworth was the guest of Russell Leavenworth.

Gary Jamison was the guest of Bill Hoogstra.

Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

Bobbi Bieberly, Karen Dansby, George Woodfin, Lorne Sutherlin and Mark Bannister were guests from the Greater Abilene Club.

Mark Chapman, Darrell Watkins and Pricilla Alldredge were guests from the Golden K Club of Clyde.

GUMBALL MONEY

Earl Williams reported that for December we have in operation 1251 machines. From a reading of 336 machines, we received \$422.64. This brings the grand total to \$219,763.72.

PANCAKE DAY

Margaret Hoogstra has made those attending this weeks meeting mark their calendars already for PANCAKE DAY, **Saturday April 29th**. If you can spend any time that day helping it would be greatly appreciated. There will be more information as the day approaches.

9TH ANNUAL KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE BASKETBALL SHOOTOUT

David Jones announced that it is time once again for the 9th Annual Basketball Shootout. The event takes place on Monday January 30th at Hardin-Simmons University.

Help is required desperately. Those of you able to help need to sign up ASAP.

Also, as Kiwanians and business owners you have the first chance to purchase “Ad” space on the back of the handout given to those attending the games. You will have the opportunity to reach over 1,000 potential customers with your advertisement. Promote your business today by contacting David Jones at 626-7680 or djones@ffin.com it’s all for a good cause.

Don’t forget the **PEP RALLY** on Wednesday January 25th it’s always lots of FUN!

FUTURE PROGRAMS

1/25/06-Basketball Shoot Out Pep Rally
2/1/06-Wiley's Jazz Band (rescheduled from 1/18/06)
2/8/06-85th Birthday Celebration
2/15/06-PENDING
2/22/06-Craig MacFarlene-Motivational Speaker

KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Texas/Oklahoma District Convention – 2006

Mid-Winter Conference @ the Harvey Hotel in Irving, TX -2/17 & 2/18 2006

K-University-Dallas-March 4, 2006; International President Steve Simmons

MEMBERSHIP

Sponsor a member and get your name on this list!

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Date</u>
J. R. Velasco	David Jones	10/26/05
Caroline Lee	Gordon Dowell	11/16/05
Robert Burch	Kenny Smith	12/7/05
John Thomas	Doug Williamson	12/14/05
David Bacon	Donald McDonald	12/28/05

If you don't do it, you'll never know what would have happened if you had done it.
Who are you bringing to our next meeting?

BOARD MEETING

The January Board Meeting was held on the 12th. Remember you are welcome to attend.

DIVISION 35 COUNCIL MEETING

The Division 35 Council Meeting will be held at the Spaghetti Warehouse, in the Mall of Abilene, 6:30 pm Tuesday, January 17th.

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

REMINDER-Any one wishing to attend the Mid-Winter Conference in February needs to get their registration forms filled out as soon as possible.

GREATER ABILENE CLUB

Would like you to know that you are welcome anytime. Their 2/2/06 program is Membership Retention, 12:00 noon at Briarstone.

CHILI DAY AND AUCTION

Bobbi Bieberly from the Greater Abilene Club was spreading the word about the Chili Day and Auction on February 25th. Tickets are available from their club members as well as from the new North Abilene Club members. \$4.50 in advance, \$5.00 at the door and books of 10 for \$35.00 (\$3.50 each).

Let's help to spread the word for our fellow Kiwanians about their Chili Day and Auction. Don't forget to purchase your tickets!

INTERCLUB –1/6/06

Keith Garner

Donald McDonald

Pat Lee

Rowland Williams

Thomas Agulair

COMMUNITY NEWS

11th Annual Women's Conference will be held on March 11th. A day of discussion and networking with inspirational speakers, Ms. Mamie McCullough, Ms. Linda Miller and Ms. Patricia Woods. For more information you may call Kim or Mary Lou at 734-3636 or 235-7315.

KIWANIS IS WHERE A NEED IS SERVED