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85th Birthday Celebration

Eighty-Five years and counting! That's how long the Kiwanis Club of Abilene has been serving the needs of the Abilene community! On February 9th, 1921, fifty leading businessmen became Charter members of the new Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Our luncheon meeting on February 8th will celebrate those **85 years**. It will be a festive and fun day!

The program will include a brief synopsis of Club History, a "made for the occasion" poem by Dr. Bedford Furr, and a couple of testimonies by Kiwanians. Several distinguished guests will take part in the program. Immediate Past T/O District Governor Gene Jantzen will offer congratulatory comments. Past Kiwanis International President Art Swanberg will also be present for the occasion. Mayor Norm Archibald will present a Proclamation. In addition, past T/O District Governor Nancy Miller will announce a new award for sustained Kiwanis Service.

While we celebrate the past, as members of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene we live and serve in the present, and we will look forward to service in the future as we change the world one child and one community at a time.

Don't miss this festive occasion! Come and bring a guest...share the joy of Kiwanis. Kiwanis Is Where A Need Is Served!



WHAT A MEETING! February 1, 2005

WILEY HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND **Arranged by Dub Pritchett**

Directed by Luke McMillan the Wiley Jazz Band offered quite a loud performance! These band members were just wonderful and you really had to be in attendance to appreciate them. If you were there it was a toe tappin' good show! Remember these members have to audition to belong.

Highlights were, Tyler Clark on Tenor

Saxophone, Tyler Richey on Alto Saxophone, Cameron Robinson Lead Trumpet and Chris Allen Trumpet Solo. They were outstanding playing "Little Brown Jug", "Peddle to the Metal", "Summer Time", "American Patrol" and of course "Pennsylvania 6-5000".

This band is sure to continue to succeed. Should you have the opportunity to hear them I would highly recommend it! Writing about them does not offer the recognition that they are due.

So I will stop and just say, I'm so glad I was able see and hear them.



OPENING CEREMONY FOR 1/25/06

President Gordon Dowell presided over the meeting. **Ken Poyner** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Russell Berry** led the prayer, **Dick Kincaid** led the pledge and **Dub Pritchett** introduced the program.

Prayer Requests

Gordon Dowell, for his vision.

Bill Alexander as he moves to Sears Rehab.

Polly Carnohan has health problems.

Gloria Fanous, her mother is in a coma.

John Fred Phillips is recovering from hip surgery.

Nelda Wallace.

For the family and friends of Roger Falkenaar.

Chester McAlpin.

Billy Clay has had surgery.

Clarence Presswood's sister Gail Killough is having heart problems.

Dave Gillespie and his family.

Don't forget to pray for RAIN!

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

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE –A TIME TO BE LOUD

Hallelujah! I give thanks to GOD with everything I ve got---Wherever good people gather, and in the congregation.

Psalm 111:1

Sometimes your joy is so tangible you feel you might burst if you don't get it out. At those times, you may want to climb to the rooftop and shout out the goodness of God. All creation praises him, from the crickets' nighttime chorus to the wind's whistling through the eaves. And if you ceased to proclaim his goodness, Scripture says that the miraculous would take place: The rocks themselves would cry out. Imagine such a sound—a true rock concert of praise.

There's time and place for quiet, meditative faith. There's a time and place for silent prayer. There's a time and place for soft, worshipful singing. And there's a time and place to praise GOD with all the gusto you can muster. Yes, there is a time to be loud.

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD. Praise the name of the LORD. Blessed be the name of the LORD

From this time forth and forever. Psalm 113:1-2

Prayer: I can't say enough praises to you, God, for the blessings of my life. They spill out all around me. I raise my praise to you. In Jesus name Amen.

BIRTHDAYS February

C.W. Stephenson 8

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene

Mike Casey 12

Clinton Nix 14

Jack Rentz 14

ANNIVERSARIES-February

David Jones 9

Grady & Margaret Jolly 12

Pamela McGrew 14

GUESTS FOR /06

Chris Carnohan introduced the guests.

Tommy Spain was the guest of Doug Williamson.

Casey Metts was the guest of Don Williams.

Tonia LoveLady was the guest of Kelly Jones.

Charlotte Davis, Kay Robbins, Bill and Wilma McMillan and Buddy Mills, were all guests of Bruce Davis.

Don Henderson was the guest of James Hallmark.

Jeff Stewart was the guest of Guinn Smith.

Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

Stella Fogle and Janice Allen were guests of A.E.Fogle.

Bill Hall Yarborough was the guest of Billy Yarborough.

Megan Meiser was a guest of the club.

David Miller was a guest of the club.

Barbara Dahl and Yvonne Batts were guests from the North Abilene Club.

Don Settle, James Trammell, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Pennington and Darrell Watkins were guests from the Golden K Club of Clyde.

Luncheon Cup Money for February 1, 2006 was \$48.39

NEWS

We are very saddened this week to tell you of the loss of one of our members,

Roger Valkenaar.

The Lord will give strength to His people: The Lord will bless His people with peace. Psalm 29:11

PANCAKE DOLLARS

John Snapp presented a check to David Miller of Hendrick Home for Children in the amount of \$500.00.

GUMBALL REPORT

Earl Williams reported that for January we have in operation 1261 machines. From a reading of 371 machines, we received \$434.76. This brings the grand total to \$220,198,48.



SOPHOMORE OF THE YEAR

Guinn Smith presented a certificate and a gift card to the Mall of Abilene for \$100.00 to Megan Meiser. Megan was selected as our clubs sophomore of the year from a total of six applicants from Abilene Christian School. Megan a very accomplished young lady spoke about her life and aspirations and how honored she was to have been chosen. We all wish her continued success.



BASKETBALL SHOOTOUT

Monday night's basketball shootout was a success! Thank you, to the over 30 members that turned out to help.

Your efforts helped tremendously. The program this year that offered advertising and write-ups about the Miracle Children was also very successful. Thank you to those of you that advertised. The Kiwanis Club of Abilene is very proud to donate to the Children's Miracle Network/Meek Children's Hospital \$3,200.45 this year.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

2/15/06- Lt.Gov. Neil Tatom

2/22/06-Craig MacFarlene-Motivational Speaker

3/1/06-President's New Initiative-Russell Berry and Charles Kirkpatrick

3/22/06-Pancake Day Kickoff!-Margaret Hoogstra

KIWANIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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

Texas/Oklahoma District Convention at Sea 8/17--8/21 2006

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
Gary Mock	Bill Clark	1/18/06

President s Challenge: **membership Growth**

A challenge to you to help the Kiwanis Club of Abilene

There are rewards:

January 25th thru March 1st 2006

1 new member being inducted during this period=

a gift certificate for one person to Copper Creek.

2 new members being inducted during this period=

a gift certificate for two persons to Copper Creek.

3 or more new members being inducted during this period=

a night at the Ambassador Suites Hotel, Abilene.

Everyone can receive a reward for contributing to membership growth.

(this is not funded from Kiwanis funds!).

This is for those who want to share the joy of Kiwanis and who believe in service to the community, especially youth.

BOARD MEETING REMINDER

The Kiwanis Board will meet at Briarstone, 12:00 noon, Thursday February 9th. Everyone is invited to attend.

You will get a better understanding of how the club functions and learn about the important decisions that are made. Don't forget, **New Members** can have a ribbon cut by attending this meeting.

CHILI DAY AND AUCTION

The Greater Abilene and the North Abilene Kiwanis Clubs have tickets available for their Annual Chili Day and Auction that will take place on February 25th. Tickets are \$4.50 in advance, \$5.00 at the door and books of 10 for \$35.00 (\$3.50 each). See you all there!

NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Kiwanis

Thank you for your generous gift of \$500.00 for the benefit of our children.

As we begin this New Year, our children are able to look forward to accomplishing their goals, knowing they are in a supportive, caring environment.

Friends like you help make Hendrick Home for Children truly a place “where happy childhood memories are made”. We appreciate your friendship and support of the Home.

Sincerely,

Barbara Dahl, Vice President, Community Relations

Thank you sooo much for your donation to the Trent FFA.

Mindi Bredemeyer

Dear Kiwanis Club of Abilene,

Thank you for your donation to the Trent FFA Livestock Show. It was very useful.

We hope that you will participate in it again next year.

Thanks A Lot!

Thank you for your donation to the Wylie Livestock Show.

John D. Dearing DVM, Secretary/Treasurer, Livestock Committee

Dear Friends,

The boys at Ben Richey Boys Ranch want to thank you from the bottom of their hearts for contributing \$500.00. Because of people like you, the boys have a chance to grow up in a loving and caring environment where no dream is out of reach. The support that you so graciously give to the Ranch is such a blessing on all of these special boys.

Thanks again from all of the boys.

Sincerely,

John Thomas, Vice President

Dear Friends at the Kiwanis Club of Abilene,

The New Year brings many new hopes and dreams for the future of the Boys and Girls Club of Abilene. With the continued kindness and support from our donors, these hopes and dreams can become realities and will enhance the lives of the children we serve everyday.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Mark Young, Executive Director

INTERCLUB SWEEPS

INTERCLUB-Greater Abilene-1/26/05

Curtis Blackburn, Marcus Anderson, Lora Lynn Anderson, Susan Clark, Keith Garner,

Russell Johnson, Mark Young, Bill Zavatson

INTERCLUB North Abilene-1/27/06

Doug Williamson, Pam McGrew, Keith Garner, Sheila Watts, Dale Montgomery,

Caroline Lee

INTERCLUB-Sweetwater-1/27/06

Gordon Dowell, Curtis Blackburn, Tony Brown, Gordon Dowell, Lynda Fogerson

INTERCLUB-Clyde Golden K-1/30/06

Curtis Blackburn, Carl Lockett, Clarence Presswood, Bill Zavatson

INTERCLUB-Key City Club-1/30/06

Curtis Blackburn, Keith Garner, Pam McGrew, Billy Phillips, John Thomas

INTERCLUB-Downtown Club-1/31/06

Curtis Blackburn, Carl Lockett, Nancy Miller, Donald McDonald

INTERCLUB-Cross Plains-1/31/06

Curtis Blackburn, Van Boozer, Bill Hoogstra, Lynn Lee

INTERCLUB-Albany-2/1/06

Gary Bomar, Donald McDonald, Mac Sipe, Curtis Blackburn

COMMUNITY NEWS

Essence of Ebony, a multicultural organization of Abilene Christian University, cordially invites Kiwanis to attend the **Ninth Annual Black History Production**, entitled **At Our Highest, February, 10th-11th**. Tickets are \$4.00 each. However, February 10th is Community night, and for a group of 8 or more tickets will be \$2.00 each. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. at ACU's Cullen Auditorium. Groups must call LaShae Grottis at 674-6562 to confirm attendance.

Texas Farm Ranch Wildlife Expo will be held **February 21st-22nd** at the Taylor County Expo Center. There's something for everyone with over 100 vendors, seminars and training courses, the Town and Country Women's Fair and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce luncheon featuring Wyman Meinzer a renowned photographer.

11th Annual Women s Conference will be held on **March 1st** at the Abilene Civic Center. Registration deadline is February 10th. It will be a day of discussion and networking with inspirational speakers. For more information you may call Kim or Mary Lou at 734-3636 or 235-7315.

Basketball may have "March Madness", but **Ben Richey Boys Ranch** has its own "March Gladness", and we are encouraged to be a part of it. Mark **Saturday March 4th** on your calendars. It's the **Fifth annual Tribute to Youth** benefit for the Ranch, it will air on KTAB-TV from 8:00 p.m.-10: p.m. This is a major fundraising event! Your pledge to help give youngsters the spiritual, educational, and social tools to become outstanding young men may be sent in, in advance.

SOMETHING ELSE

It would be very helpful to have each member update their address's, telephone numbers, fax numbers, email etc. I've noticed some errors and would like to try to keep it all accurate for all of us. For your convenience you may email me the information at cleel968@cox.net (that's my NEW email), call the office at 673-1341 or bring it to me at our meeting. I appreciate your help.

Caroline Lee

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

2005-2006 OFFICERS

Gordon Dowell	President	Margaret Hoogstra	President-Elect
David Jones	Vice-President	Ricki Brown	Treasurer
Carl Lockett	Vice President	Kimberley Cole	Foundation Treasurer
Clarence Presswood	Vice President	Nell Sims	Secretary
Bill Hoogstra	Immediate Past President	Henry McGinty	Assistant Secretary

2005-2006 DIRECTORS

TWO YEARS

Russell Berry

Lora Lynn Christensen

Dennis Laster

Guinn Smith

Sheila Watts

ONE YEAR

Gloria Fanous

Kelly Jones

Ken Lenoir

Lorin Watson

Doug Williamson

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