

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

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## **CRAIG MACFARLANE** **Motivational Speaker**

Blind since the age of two, this dynamic motivational speaker has overcome adversity to achieve tremendous success as an athlete, recording artist and author.

Dedicated to helping others, MacFarlane will be sharing his secrets to believing in yourself and achieving your dreams through perseverance, respect, individuality, desire and enthusiasm.

**WHAT A MEETING!** February 15, 2006

### **OFFICIAL VISIT OF LT. GOVERNOR NEIL TATOM**

“If we don’t try, we don’t do...if we don’t do...we can’t bless others”. “We each have a contribution to make to the lives of others and as Kiwanians we are changing the world one child and one community at a time”.

Those were the words of Lt. Governor Neil Tatom at our Wednesday meeting.

The Lt. Governor recognized our club as a flag ship club continuing to lead the way! He acknowledged the over \$30,000 dollars that we raise at our Annual Pancake Day as well as the over 66 organizations that we are able to support.

Membership Growth is the main focus this year and Kiwanis is probably one of Abilene’s best kept secrets. It is now time to spread the news to all around us. One new member to our club will also bring one additional heart and a set of hands to do so much more for our community.



Henry McGinty-1946, James Cassle-1952 and J.C.McCurdy-1959 are three members who have witnessed the changes the club has made over the years. These men have a combined Kiwanis tenure of 161 years of helping children!

The Lt. Governor offered great encouragement to all of us. His vision for our Club and Division 35 is attainable if we continue to work together. “Now is our time! Let’s work hard to make this a great year for the children of Abilene and the Abilene community”.

### **OPENING CEREMONY FOR 2/15/06**

**President Gordon Dowell** presided over the meeting. **Ken Poyner** led the singing and

**Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Lynn Lee** led the prayer, **Clarence Presswood** led the pledge and **Kristen Carnohan** introduced the program.

## Prayer Requests

Roland Williams is having health problems.  
Bill Alexander.  
Polly Carnohan has health problems.  
Gloria Fanous, her mother is in a coma.  
John Fred Phillips is recovering from hip surgery.  
Nelda Wallace.  
Chester McAlpin.  
Billy Clay.  
Caroline Lee's niece Jessica has health problems.  
Don't forget to pray for RAIN! And warmer weather!  
*To those not mentioned, our prayers are still with you.*

*If you have a prayer request  
please fill out a request form.  
They are available each week  
at the registration table.*

## SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE –THE HEALING POWER OF GOD

*O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. Psalm 30:2*

Prayer is good medicine. It's a fact, and medical science has finally caught on. Studies show that when you pray regularly and commit your welfare to God, you recover from serious illness and trauma faster than those who have no faith in God. Your outlook on life is more positive; your hope for the future is stronger. And as far as minor illnesses are concerned, you even get fewer colds than those who face life without the advantage of genuine faith. Prayer and thanksgiving relieve stress, alleviate anxiety, promote positive thinking, and generally foster happiness and contentment. Is it any wonder that such things contribute to your health? When you know that God is in charge of everything and is your guide, you are less likely to take yourself too seriously.

*Come, O Lord, and make me well. In your kindness save me. Psalm 6:4*

Prayer: God, faith is so important to every aspect of my life. Without it, I would be lonely and without hope. Thank you for being there to hear me when I pray. In Jesus name Amen.

## BIRTHDAYS February

None

## ANNIVERSARIES--February.

Kimberley Cole 22

## GUESTS FOR 2/15/06

**Marcus Anderson** introduced the guests.  
Robert Vargas was a guest of the Club.  
Don Henderson was the guest of James Hallmark.  
Lt. Greg Goettsch was the guest of Mark Young.  
Bill Yarborough was the guest of Billy Yarborough.  
Jim Alexander was the guest of Bill Clark.  
Bobbi Bieberly, Carl Brown, and Courtney Kennedy were all guests from the Greater Abilene Club.  
Priscilla Alldredge, Tommy Alldredge and Mark Chittman were all guests from the Golden K Club of Clyde.

## Luncheon Cup Money for February 15, 2006 was \$44.96

## PANCAKE DOLLARS

Pam McGrew presented a check to Robert Vargas, President and CEO of Disability Resources Inc. in the amount of \$500.00.

## REMINDER

New Member Orientation will take place during the 3/8/06 meeting.



## FUTURE PROGRAMS

3/1/06-Voice Students from Hardin-Simmons University  
3/8/06-West Texas Rehabilitation Center  
3/15/06-TBA  
3/22/06-Pancake Day Kickoff!-Margaret Hoogstra  
3/29/06-TBA

## KIWANIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**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
Casey Metts	Don Williams	2/1/06
Don Henderson	James Hallmark	2/15/06



**Casey Metts** is the newest member of the Club. Casey has a daughter Linsey and is an agent with Sterling Life Insurance.



**Don Henderson** is the newest member of the Club. Don has two children, Paul and Cheri. He is retired and a previous Kiwnian from Roswell, New Mexico.

## President's Challenge: **Membership Growth**

A challenge to you to help the Kiwanis Club of Abilene!

**January 25<sup>th</sup> thru March 1<sup>st</sup> 2006**

There are rewards 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 March 9<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to attend. Don't forget, **New Members** can have a ribbon cut by attending this meeting.

## CHILI DAY AND AUCTION

This is it! If you haven't gotten your tickets for the Annual Chili Day and Auction there are only hours left to do so. Tickets are still available for \$4.50. They will be \$5.00 at the door. The Greater Abilene and North Abilene Kiwanis Clubs are looking forward to seeing you and your friends on February 25<sup>th</sup>!

## NOTES OF THANKS

Thank You for being a sweetheart!

Your donations of love keep our kids smiling.

Happy Valentine's Day from the Boys and Girls Club of Abilene.

## INTERCLUB 2/17/06

Pat Lee, Donald McDonad, Keith Garner, Bill Hoogstra, Caroline Lee.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**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.

Abilene Christian University Centennial Speaker Series--

Kathleen Norris is an award winning poet, writer and the author of several *New York Times* bestsellers.

**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m., Hart Auditorium, ACU Campus.

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 4<sup>th</sup>** 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

A message from the Governor-

I must express my regrets for not attending such a grand celebration. The eighty-five years of your existence has made the most notable difference to Abilene and the Texas-Oklahoma District.

The many projects and endless support of Children's Miracle Network had helped remove many illness's occurring in children and providing a great medical facility for their care. I believe that as we increase the Kiwanis membership, more clubs will join in the community to increase the number of facilities specializing in the unique needs to maintain the health of young children.

My visit to your division was a highlight of my visits. I truly impressed with the work your club has done to provide community service for the city of Abilene. Your ambitions and constant in the name of Kiwanis will be followed years after you and I are gone. Such great activities to be remembered by the future generations.

Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

John S. (Jack) Carlton

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

### 2005-2006 OFFICERS

*Gordon Dowell* President

*David Jones*

*Carl Lockett*

*Clarence Presswood*

*Bill Hoogstra*

*Vice-President*

*Vice President*

*Vice President*

*Immediate Past President*

*Margaret Hoogstra*

*Ricki Brown*

*Kimberley Cole*

*Nell Sims*

*Henry McGinty*

*President-Elect*

*Treasurer*

*Foundation Treasurer*

*Secretary*

*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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