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THE HISTORY OF TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE Jerry Peters

Mr. Jerry W. Peters was born in Poplarville, Mississippi. He served in Personnel Administration and had many tours of duty while in the Air Force both State-side and overseas, which included Anderson Air Force Base, Guam and at Dyess Air Force Base from January 1989 to January 1991. Jerry served his country for over twenty years with distinction and honor and retired in January 1991.

After his Air Force career, he held positions as a Personnel and Human Resources Specialist at Sears in Abilene. He first entered the Education arena in 1975 when he was formally trained as a United States Air Force Academic Instructor, and earned a Master Instructor Rating. He has been employed at TSTC-Abilene since March 1995, and he has held the following positions: Lead Instructor and Coordinator of Industrial Technology for Continuing Education; Instructor, Computer Network Technology; Program Chair, Computer Networks and Administration; Associate Dean of Instructional Services; Associate Vice President of Student Learning; presently serves as Associate Vice President for the Abilene Extension.

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WHAT A MEETING! June 7, 2006

“SEXLESS, SARCASTIC, STINGY, AND SENILE- THAT’S WHAT YOU’RE GOING TO THINK!” Dr. Bruce Davis



Well, it sure was an interesting topic. Just look at these Kiwanians listening so intently. Speaking about Gerontology, the study of aging, and the study of psychological and social aspects of aging, Dr. Bruce Davis offered a program that made us laugh, and made us think and thoughtful at was most informative. He gave a lot of examples and told wonderful little stories. Explaining that adults seniors have been categorized the off red this scenario. They young old are between 65-75 years old and know nasthe go-goers. The old are between 75-85 years old and knownasthe slowgoers, while the old-old are 85+ years old and knownasthe no-goers. He added that he didn't believe it because he knew, as we all do, people that are 85+ that do not know the meaning of top!



A note of how we think of aging, from beginning to end is by the seasons of one's life: Spills, Drills, Thrills, Bills, Ills, Pills and Wills! Dr. David is cussed "HUGS", after we all arose to huge each other he offered a screen presentation to show us many myths vs. realities about aging. A myth--older people are all poor and not a consumer market to be targeted. There are 55+ years old represent over 400 billion dollars in annual personal income accounting for 20% of all consumer dollars spent. They are the primary consumers of Tours, Cruises and Luxury Automobiles. Who knew?

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 6/7/06

President Gordon Dowell presided over the meeting. **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Doug Williamson** led the prayer; **Ken Poynor** led the pledge and **Jack Hallmark** introduced the program.

Prayer Requests

Roland Williams for back problems.
 For the two friends of Kimberley Cole with cancer.
 Kimberley Cole's friend's son, who was run over, will begin rehab.
 Billy Clay having radiation treatments.
 Susan Moellinger's husband Max.
 Nelda Wallace.
 Lee Hagelstein's wife Terri.
 Gloria Fanous' mother.
 Children's Miracle Network child Courtney Lewis.
To those not mentioned, our prayers are still with you.



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE – GOD'S DIRECTION AND CORRECTION

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. Psalm 32:8
 A true friend cares enough to risk telling you the truth when you've messed up. His or her words may be tough and has your best interest at heart. That's exactly how God works. He doesn't want to bring your heart close to him, but to bring your heart close to him. His desire is never to trounce on you, but to bring your heart close to him. You may be unaware that you have veered off course. Correction may beat upon your conscience, a gentle reminder to get back on the right road. God can give you the direction, designed for you. If you're tempted to slip into self-pity over your flubs, draw near to God. Ask, "What do you want me to learn from this?" God is the best friend you'll ever have.

Help me to do your will, for you are my God. Lead me in good paths, for your Spirit is good. Psalm 143:10
 God, help me yield myself to you and see correction as a way to build my character, to prepare me for helping others to trust you more. In Jesus Name, Amen.

BIRTHDAYS–June

A.C. Johnson 15
 Don Scargall 17
 Keith Garner 18

ANNIVERSARIES–June

Clarence Presswood 19

Luncheon Cup Money for June 7, 2006 was \$48.56

GUESTS FOR 6/7/06

Lora Lynn Christensen introduced the guests.
 Eric Wallace was the guest of Nelda Wallace.
 Ruby Coke was the guest of Bud Coke.
 Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

BAILEY G. CHOATE

President Dowell reminded everyone that the Bailey G.C nominations. To nominate, consider those members that community over the years. Nominations may be submitted to Lockett, or a Vice President. Nominations should be made

as soon as possible. The deadline is near!



PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Bill Zavatsos announced those members receiving Perfect Attendance Awards. Gordon Dowell-2 years, Clarence Presswood-8 years, Kristen Carnohan-10 years, Nell Sims-13 years, Donald McDonald-15 years, Chris Carnohan-20 years, Keith Garner-25 years, W.R. Williams-26 years, and Grad Jolly-47 years. CONGRATULATIONS!

RIBBON CUTTING

President Dowell cut ribbons of the following members: John Thomas, Robert Burch, J.R. Velasco, and Caroline Lee. Each ribbon placed on new members name badge represents one of the following five tasks- **BLUE**-have attended a Board Meeting, **PURPLE**-have attended a Program Committee Meeting, **RED**-have greeted members and guests each week for four weeks, **WHITE**-have participated in an Interclub, and **GOLD**-shared Kiwanis with someone who is now a new member.



FUTURE PROGRAMS

6/21/06-Kim Vickers "Youth Crime in Abilene"
6/28/06-LeDessa White and the Community Singers
JULY Program date to be advised.
Keith Perry Sears Methodist Retirement System
Jim Ed Fields "Agriculture in Brazil"



INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

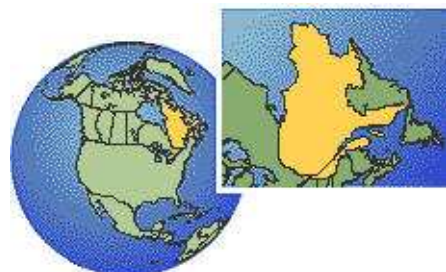
President Dowell announced that he and his wife Dorothy, Doug Williamson and his wife Frances, and Margaret Hoogstra would be attending the International Convention June 28-July 2 in Montreal, Quebec.

T/O DISTRICT CONVENTION

President Dowell also mentioned those members from our club that will be "Cruising" for the T/O District Convention at sea in August. They are President Gordon and Dorothy Dowell, Bill and Margaret Hoogstra, Roy and Lu Gene Lewis, Doug and Frances Williamson, Nancy Miller, Lora Lynn and Don Christensen, Nelda and Eric Wallace.

KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Kiwanis International Convention, Montreal, Quebec,
Canada-6/28-7/22006
Texas/Oklahoma District Convention at Sea-8/17--8/212006



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
Donovan Henderson	James Hallmark	2/15/06
Tonia Lovelady	Kelly Jones	3/8/06
Alex Rose	John Thomas	3/8/06
Alan Eggleston	Caroline Lee	4/5/06
David McWright	John Thomas	4/19/06

NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Kiwanis Board and Members,
 I want to thank you for your generous financial support toward my travel expenses for my year as Division 35 Lt. Governor. The amount that the T-OD District gives amounts to about half of the actual expenses. Your contribution will help to offset these expenses. I also want to thank you for the great support you have been as a club in all other areas. Serving as Lt. Governor is so much easier with your support! I am constantly reminded what a great division we have and how blessed I am to be able to be your partner in helping the children of Division 35!
 Thank you,
 Neil Tatom, Lt. Governor Division 35

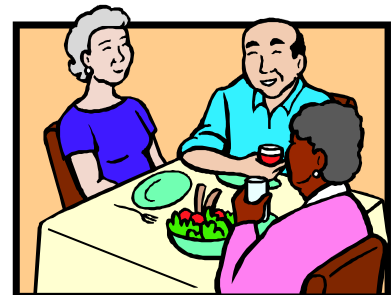
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Dear Kiwanis,
 Thank you for your generous gift of \$250.00, which we recently received. We appreciate your friendship and support of the Home.
 The Angel Fund is an exciting effort among many compassionate friends who are helping our children. The generosity of friends such as you, prove that angels still live among us!
 Sincerely,
 Barbara Dahl, Vice President, Community Relations
 Hendrick Home for Children

INTERCLUB-North Abilene-6/2/06
 Bill Hoogstra, Ken Poynor, Donald McDonald, Caroline Lee

INTERCLUB-Children's Miracle Network Telethon-6/3/06
 Margaret Hoogstra, Bill Hoogstra, Lora Lynn Christensen, David Jones

INTERCLUB-Key City-6/5/06
 Keith Garner, Lora Lynn Christensen, J.R. Velasco, Ken Poynor,
 Donald McDonald, Roland Williams, Gary Mock



SOMETHING ELSE

A summary of a letter to Kiwanis Club Presidents from the Medical Fund Committee, Chairman, Ken Poynor. Thank to all Kiwanis Clubs for your assistance with the medical fund. As the school year closes out for 2005-2006 there continue to be fabulous remarks about the assistance we give to those with medical needs. Most of the comments continue to be through cards received from the children. Based on the current activity, the medical account for 2005-2006 has received funds from all five Abilene Clubs. As a result, we have received most of the annual anticipated budget total. Therefore, the medical committee expresses its appreciation to the various clubs. The month of April was another active month. The fund has assisted 100 students in the amount of \$3,989.66. These totals reflect the May activity of helping 47 students in the amount of \$554.97.

In sharing Ken's letter with you I would also like to share this with you. A letter of appreciation from parents of the Kiwanis Club show truly grateful and most appreciative we are. Your gracious gift of money to pay for our son Connor's eye exam was the best gift anyone could have received. Connor, age 8, had just had his 5th eye surgery. We had moved to Abilene before his recovery was over, with no medical insurance. As we spent two months living in a hotel, finding schools, a home and trying to find our cowboy boots that were not required on the East Coast, you were there for us! I want you all to know what a wonderful organization you are and just how much you mean to our family.

Thank You!

Caroline Lee, Kiwanis Club of Abilene
Richard Lee, Kiwanis Club of North Abilene

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Briarstone Manor is located at:

101 Elpens Court, Abilene, TX 79604
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Meetings are every Wednesday at Noon



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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