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ROSANNA HERNDON **Storyteller**

Rosanna Herndon, Professional Storyteller, has been and continues to be busy! Her professional experience includes Hardin-Simmons University, Emeritus Professor of Communication. Professor and Chairman Department of Communication and Theatre, 1978-1996. Other teaching and administration at Texas Christian University, Southern Methodist University and Perkins Graduate School of Theology, as well as other positions with National YWCA, public schools and colleges. (With 45 total years of classroom instruction and administration).

Not only is she a Professional Storyteller but also a University Professor of graduate and undergraduate level storytelling courses since 1977 and presenter of A Summer Intensive for Experienced Storytellers for five years. Rosanna has been a Featured Teller at the National Storytelling Festival, and a Featured Storyteller and Workshop Presenter at storytelling festivals across the USA and Great Britain since 1978. The list of accolades and honors goes on and on and we here in Abilene are most fortunate to have such a distinguished member of our club as our guest speaker once again.

WHAT A MEETING! July 19, 2006

JIM WILSON **Writer of “Down to Earth Poetry”**

Looking at common events in unique ways and painting distinct word pictures with surprise endings is how Jim Wilson creates his poems. Some of the pictures turn out joyful, some sad, and some uncomfortable. Some of the poems teach and some just blossom as ideas for us to see and enjoy. It is his hope to be a truthful observer of the common lives that we all lead.

Jim has over 400 poems, 3 books and a new one that will be out in August. Twenty plus publications, two appearances on NPR’s syndicated show Themes and Variations, and he has been a featured speaker at the West Texas Book and Author Festival, The Plano Adult Literacy Festival as well as the Denton Writer’s League.

This is one of the poems that Jim read:

Obviously an Elementary Conclusion

I’ll bet there was 25 years difference in their ages
But they still sat on the same side of the café booth.
Teasing and poking each other, they were oblivious
of the rest of us. Giggles and coos floated on the air.



She was a gorgeous petite thing. Shoulder blond curls bounced as she sat out on the edge of the seat paying attention to his every word. She dropped a little red Shoulder strapped vinyl purse on the table. Gold chains rattled against the napkin holder. Purse was just big enough to hold her essentials. Matching red dress was form fitting and she had good form. I knew she didn't buy that dress herself. Dropping her shoes to the floor, she started to rub one foot on his pant's leg. He feigned annoyance and grabbed a toe.

He was a rough looking, tanned, burly oilfield type of a guy. Soup bowl cut, brown hair with bangs and eyebrows overlapping, Light blue oxford shirt, collar buttoned down but shirt tail out, Real blue jeans and rough out, roughed up Wellington boots. He went back for the food trays with a natural gait That let him scratch the sides of his knees without leaning over.

Sliding her tray across the table he slipped into the booth and bumped her up against the far wall. She giggled and said, "Thanks Daddy. Now, quit being silly. I have to be at school by eight. Second grade is hard. It's not what you imagine."

We learned that we should think carefully before traveling or dining out with Jim and that we had best be careful what we say and do because it may just become his next poem!

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 7/19/06

Gordon Dowell presided over the meeting. **Marcus Anderson** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Van Boozer** led the prayer; **J.R. Velasco** led the pledge and **Ricki Brown** introduced the program.

Prayer Requests

Roy Lewis is having health problems; he is in room #205, Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Joe Felton is recovering from a fall.

For John Thomas and his family's health problems.

Marcus Anderson's wife Shirley.

H. B. Terry.

H. Bedford Furr.

Billy Clay.

Nelda Wallace.

Bill Alexander.

Gloria Fanous' mother.

Darrell Flippo.

Gertie Tapp, Briarstone employee has had surgery.

For the family and friends of Dorothy Nelson, friend of Caroline Lee, who passed away.

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



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE –MORE THAN ENOUGH

Many, I LORD my God, are they wonderful works which thou has done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

Psalms 40:5

A small boy stands in the sunshine, puffing in the direction of a dandelion. When his boyish bluster reaches its target, the fluffy seeds float through the air to the music of the small boy's laughter. To the boy, this is a magical game, but to the flower, it is simple reproduction. There will soon be new dandelions popping up everywhere.

Troubles can multiply even more quickly than the sturdy, determined seeds of the dandelion flower. Whether you blow them into the air yourself or they simply fly on the wings of the wind, troubles can quickly overwhelm your life. The good news is that God's thoughts are constantly on you, and he can help you deal with each one. He is more than enough to help you weed out the troubles in your life.

You chart the path ahead of me and tell me where to stop and rest. Every moment you know where I am. Psalm 139:3

Prayer: Thank you, God, for your loving, watchful care over my life. I release my troubles to you, for I know that you are more than enough to handle them. In Jesus name, Amen.

BIRTHDAYS –July/August

Mark Hoover	27
John Snapp	29
Gary Mock	1

ANNIVERSARIES- July/August

Jarrell Young	28
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Luncheon Cup Money for July 19, 2006 was \$43.20

STATE 4-H SHOW

Royce Manning announced again that it is time for the State 4-H Horse Show, July 24th- 29th. There is a need for individuals to volunteer at the gates to greet everyone and also to give out stalling cards. There will be five shifts per day for the six-day event, three people per shift. Royce is encouraging everyone to do a shift. It is a wonderful way to meet people and helps to promote Kiwanis. Please come out and lend a hand if you can. You may call Jennifer or Amy at the Expo Center at 672-0648.

MEMBERSHIP

President Dowell reminded members that there is another President's Challenge. The incentive program will run through September. For each member that brings into the Club, a new member, they will receive a \$25.00 savings bond or a \$25.00 gift certificate to a restaurant of their choice. It's time to share Kiwanis!

GUESTS FOR 7/19/06

Dick Kincaid introduced the guests.

Barbara Pointer and Sylvia Holcomb were guests of Rachel Buddin-Young.

Don Reid was the guest of Jack Rentz.

Cici Miller was the guest of Rosanna Herndon.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

8/2/06-Barney Johnson- Scottish Rite Hospital

8/9/06-TBA

8/16/06-TBA

8/23/06-TBA

8/30/06-Dr. Royce Money-ACU's Centennial Celebration

KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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
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



SHARE KIWANIS

INTERCLUB-Key City Club-7/17/06

Ray King, Donald McDonald, Clarence Presswood, Jerry Carter,
Keith Garner, Jeff Goodin, David McWright

NOTES OF THANKS

Thank you Caroline-

Thank you for sending me the Kiwanigrams. I deeply appreciate you doing so. I read every line and so does my wife. I am doing better and hope to be back to the club soon.

Thank you for the prayers-They mean so much.

H. B. Terry

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Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for choosing me as a recipient of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation Scholarship. I deeply appreciate your financial support as I begin my college education.

I will major in Education at Texas A & M this fall. I recently participated in New Student Conference at College Station where I registered to take sixteen hours my first semester.

I am excited about the opportunity to further my education on the collegiate level. The scholarship you awarded me will help to make my goal a reality. I greatly enjoyed the luncheon you provided for my parents and me.

Thank you for believing in my future.

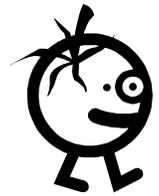
Sincerely,

Julie Holloway

SOMETHING ELSE

The family of tomatoes

A family of three tomatoes were walking downtown one day when the little baby tomato started lagging behind. The big father tomato walks back to the baby tomato, stomps on her, squashing her into a red paste, and says, "Ketchup!"



WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

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