

Briarstone Manor is located at: 101 Elpens Court, Abilene, TX 79604 Meetings are every Wednesday at Noon

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 11/01/06

President Margaret Hoogstra presided over the meeting. **David Jones** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Margaret Jolly** led the prayer; **Dub Hawkins** led the pledge and **Russell Berry** introduced the program.

WHAT A MEETING! November 1, 2006

TRAVEL TIPS

Russell Berry



Russell Berry talked about what it is a travel agent does. They don't always get to go on the exciting trips and they don't always have an easy job. A travel agent is the connection between the tour operator and the consumer and Russell notes that this can be a frustrating job since there is so much to learn, so many places of interest and not enough time to take in all of the information. Travel prices and availability can change many, many times a day, therefore it is always a good idea to take the information and not wait too long before booking your holiday so that you can get the best deals.

The most important thing you all need to know is the change at the United States Borders. Here is some very good advice as recommended by not only Russell but by the US Government. Get yourself a passport!

“On **January 8, 2007**, ALL persons, including U.S. citizens, traveling by **air** between the United States and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda will be required to present a valid passport, Air

NEXUS card, or U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Document.”

“As early as **January 1, 2008**, ALL persons, including U.S. citizens, traveling between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda by **land** or **sea** (including ferries), may be required to present a valid passport or other documents as determined by the Department of Homeland Security. While recent legislative changes permit a later deadline, the Departments of State and Homeland Security are working to meet all requirements as soon as possible. Ample advance notice will be provided to enable the public to obtain passports or passport cards for land/sea entries.”

Russell talked about his favorite places to travel he said that the all inclusive destinations of Mexico and Jamaica are the most popular. Cruises which book 6-8-10 months in advance are quite exciting and trips to Las Vegas are booking with the new Allegiant Airlines here in Abilene on a regular basis. Russell then answered fellow Kiwanians questions while I bet some of us thought about our next vacation destination.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Billy Clay has had staples in his neck due to a fall.

Bill Zavatson's wife Ginger.

Donald McDonald's wife Becky is having back problems.

Dick Kincaid's wife Joanne.

A.C. Johnson's son-in-law.

Joe Felton *** Nelda Wallace *** H.B. Terry *** H. Bedford Furr ***

Bill Alexander ***

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



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE –I Did It For The Child

On a flight to San Francisco, fried chicken tycoon Col. Harland Sanders, then 89, settled into his seat and closed his eyes. Somewhere in the back of the plane a child had been crying for some time. One flight attendant said to another, "I've tried candy, books and games, but nothing seems to make any difference."

"I've got to speak to that child," said the colonel. He rose to his feet and, with the aid of his cane, made his way back. The staff watched and shrugged, as if to say, "What can he do?"

When the colonel returned to his seat, his charm had produced a minor miracle. The child had stopped crying. The only sound to be heard was the drone of the engines and the chatter among the passengers. The flight attendant came up to him and said, "Thank you for helping us, Colonel."

"I didn't do it for you," he replied. "I did it for the child."

"And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me." Matthew 18:5 (NIV)

BIRTHDAYS –November

Gloria Fanous	8
James Shields	10

KIWANIS MINUTE-The second object of Kiwanis International is "To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships."

PRESENTATION

Carl Lockett on behalf of the Vice-Presidents of 2005-2006, made a presentation to Immediate Past-President Gordon Dowell. Gordon was given a Book-"A Cowboys Faith" by Jack Terry and a lovely framed picture. Kiwanians had an opportunity to then sign the book.



GUMBALL REPORT

"Gumball King" Earl Williams reported that for the month of October on a reading of 324 machines we received \$445.80. The grand total now being \$224,784.64.

GREETERS

Please let President Hoogstra know if you would like to be a greeter. A sign up sheet was passed around in hopes that members would sign up to be a weekly greeter. This is on going and will be a great way to meet everyone.

PECANS

Did you tell everyone that you are NUTS about Kiwanis? Pecans should be available on November 8th so come to Wednesday's meeting anxious to sell lots of Pecans. We are purchasing 400 Lbs. this year. The pecans will sell for \$8.50 per pound.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Hoogstra and Secretary Ty Purcell reminded the Committee Chairs to get their monthly committee reports handed in. If you have not done this and need a form or need help to do this please see Ty.

CHARTER NIGHT



John Thomas announced that the New Builder's Club would have their Charter Night on November 10th at the Fannin Boys and Girls Club. He extended an invitation to members to come out and help celebrate with the kids.

Builders Club Pledge

"I pledge on my honor to uphold the objects of Builders Club; to better my school, my community, my nation, and myself; to aid those in need while enhancing leadership capabilities; and to encourage the fellowship of all mankind."

Luncheon Cup Money for November 8, 2006 was \$59.39

TAILGATE PARTY

It was a chilly evening on November 3rd, but that didn't stop Abilene High School from winning. They won 37/27 over Cooper High School. Thanks to everyone who was out prior to the game to help with the Tailgate Party.



GUESTS FOR 11/01/06

Ricki Brown introduced the guests.

Stephen Collins was the guest of Merle Collins.

Bobbi Bieberly was a guest from the Greater Abilene Club.

MEMBERSHIP

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Date</u>
Connie Stevens	Dub Pritchett	10/4/06
Dub Hawkins	Pamela McGrew	10/4/06
Bruce Benton	Van Boozer	10/11/06 (member since 08/30/06)
Faye Dodson	Kelly Jones	11/1/06
Bradley Campbell	David Bacon	11/1/06

Welcome to Faye Dodson and Bradley Campbell our newest Kiwanis Club of Abilene members. Faye is in the Treasury Management Department of First Financial Bank and Bradley is an Account Executive with KRBC.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

11/15/06-TBA

11/22/06-Thanksgiving Program (Spiritual Aims)

11/29/06-Wal-Mart "Holiday Ideas"

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12/06/06-"Foreign Combat"

12/13/06-Christmas Music

12/20/06-Holiday Program (Spiritual Aims)

Programs are subject to change without notice.

KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/10/06-Charter night for new Builder's Club.

11/14/06-Division 35 Council Meeting, Cotton Patch Restaurant, 6:30pm

11/16/06-Program Committee Meeting, Briarstone, 12:00pm

12/04/06-Governor's Banquet

THANK YOU

Dear Kiwanians:

Thank you so much for your recent donation to Harmony Family Services. The children and youth of Harmony's emergency shelter and foster home programs have been greatly blessed over the years through the efforts of Kiwanians to make a difference in our community "one child at a time".

Your continued support of the children and youth we serve is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jamie Breed, Executive Director

OUR NEXT PROGRAM-11/8/06

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

Sgt. Michael Dean is currently with the Dallas Recruiting Battalion. While in Iraq Sgt. Dean conducted presence patrols and trained Iraqi Civil Defense Corps. Sgt. Dean also served in Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan). He earned a Combat Infantry Badge for Service.

Sgt Robert Wilhite is currently with the Dallas Recruiting Battalion. While in Iraq Sgt. Wilhite served with the 18th Engineer Company and earned a Combat ACTION Badge for his service.



INTERCLUB-Arlington Sunset-K Family Conference-10/28/06

Ty Purcell, Nancy Miller, Carl Lockett, Margaret Hoogstra

INTERCLUB-Key City-10/30/06

Bruce Benton, Chris Carnohan, Kristen Carnohan, Lt.Gov. Gene Linder

SOMETHING ELSE

Here is some interesting information-

“The oldest Thanksgiving Day Parade goes back to 1920, but it was not done by Macy’s in New York City. The parade was held by Gimbel’s Department Store in Philadelphia, PA.”

“Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Cranberries, Pumpkin Pie and Stuffing are traditional foods of Thanksgiving, and are away to remind us of living off the land (farm Life) and that we really are dependant on the land even today to survive. People today eat these foods as a way of universally joining together to worship and give thanks (much a like the Last Supper in the Bible). As an entire nation eats the very same thing on the same day, it is a way of symbolically becoming one, and it also helps renew our ties with working the soil”.



WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

2006-2007 OFFICERS

<i>Margaret Hoogstra</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Carl Lockett</i>	<i>President-Elect</i>
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<i>Gordon Dowell</i>	<i>Immediate Past-President</i>	<i>Henry McGinty</i>	<i>Assistant Secretary</i>

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