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

# **OPENING CEREMONY FOR 11/08/06**

Vice President Lora Lynn Christensen presided over the meeting. Don Scargall led the singing and Millie Braddy played the piano. Mark Hoover led the prayer; Dub Pritchett led the pledge and Carl Lockett introduced the program.

WHAT A MEETING! November 8, 2006

# **VETERANS DAY PROGRAM Sergeant M. Dean & Sergeant R. Wilhite**



In celebration of Memorial Day as our guests we had the pleasure of not one but two men who have and continue to give to their country for our freedom.

Sergeant Michael Dean enlisted in the U.S. Army on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2001, yes 2001. Sgt. Dean's first days in the army will never be forgotten as the U.S.A. was devastated by the attacks on the World Trade Centre. Sgt. Dean did his Basic, Advance, Airborne training all at Ft. Benning Home of the Infantry and was assigned to the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division, Alpha Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, and 504<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment, serving in various positions ranging from Rifleman to Machine Gun Team Leader. He was deployed to Afghanistan in January, 2003 in Support of Operation Enduring Freedom and was responsible for conducting Cordon & Searches of local villages and route security. Recognized for his skills and expertise he was assigned to a team that would train the Fagan National Army. Sgt. Dean also conducted

Humanitarian Missions. Another assignment sent him to Iraq in Support of Operation Iraq Freedom where he performed the same duties as before as well as training the Iraq Civil Defense Forces. Upon returning to the U.S. he attended the Basic Recruiter Course at Fort Jackson, S.C. and was then assigned to the Dallas recruiting Battalion with duty here in Abilene. Sgt. Dean's awards & decorations include the following...Army Achievement Medal, 4 Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, CIB, Parachutist Badge & Polish Parachutist Badge. Sgt. Dean and his wife Jessica have a daughter, Victoria.

Sergeant Robert Wilhite enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Sgt Wilhite did his Basic and Combat Engineer Training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. He was then assigned to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division, 23<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment, 18<sup>th</sup> Engineering Company, Fort Lewis, WA. Sgt. Wilhite's primary duty was a Squad Automatic Weapon Gunner. In September, 2003 he was deployed to Iraq in Support of Operation Iraq Freedom with his primary duties as route security and clearing/destroying (IED) Improvised Explosive Devices before they could destroy our own troops. Returning to the U.S. in November of 2005 he attended the Basic

Recruiting Course at Fort Jackson, S.C. and in April, 2005 he was assigned to the Dallas Recruiting Battalion with duty here in Abilene. Sgt. Wilhite's awards & decorations include the following...Army Commendation Medal with Oak Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and Combat Action Badge. Sgt. Wilhite is married to Amber.

It is always a pleasure to listen to such fine people as these two extraordinary men are. They told about what they have done, what they have seen, and the differences they and so many others have and continue to make, and helped us to honor all that have served this Memorial Day.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Melvin Martin has had a heart attack.

Dick Kincaid's wife Joanne.

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

Joe Felton \*\*\* Nelda Wallace \*\*\* Billy Clay \*\*\* H. Bedford Furr \*\*\*

Bill Alexander \*\*\*

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

# SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE – Thanksgiving Devotion

Thanksgiving is a favorite holiday of Kiwanians everywhere. Most of us will have plenty of food. Too much of it, in fact, and we eat until -- like the turkey -- we are stuffed. Then we will retire to the sofa to watch too many football games! Let's take care that we do not forget the REAL reason for Thanksgiving. Amid all the food and fun, let's remember to thank our Lord for His blessings. Things like family and friends, love, joy, peace, grace, and most of all -- eternal salvation and a loving relationship with a wonderful Savior. Thank You, Lord. You've been so good to us!

I will give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And will glorify Your name forever. Psalm 86:12 (NIV)

#### **BIRTHDAYS** -November

Jerry Carter 17

**KIWANIS MINUTE-**A "Service Project" is defined by Kiwanis International as "an activity, Consistent with the objects, objectives, and policies of Kiwanis International, which is devised of planned by a Kiwanis Club or a club committee and performed by members of the club for the benefit of others."



#### PANCAKE DOLLARS

Charles Kirkpatrick had the pleasure of presenting Moses Hall Jr. Principal of Reagan Elementary School with a check for \$1000.00.

#### **BUILDER'S CLUB**

John Thomas asked members to consider joining him the families and children at the Fannin Boys and Girls Club this Friday evening, November 3<sup>rd</sup> for their Charter Night.

#### THRIVE PROGRAM

Vice President Lora Lynn Christensen announced that it is FLU season and that vaccine's are now available in the city. As larger clinics are made available you will be advised. The following pharmacies are offering shots as long as the vaccine holds out; HEB, Walgreen's, and United Food Store pharmacy, all on South 14<sup>th</sup> in Abilene. The universities are offering flu vaccines to students and faculty for \$13.00.

#### TAILGATE PARTY

Vice President Lora Lynn Christensen asked members that worked at the recent Tailgate party to stand to be acknowledged.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Bill Zavatson presented tabs to the following members for perfect attendance:

Nancy Miller Carl Lockett 4 years Bill Zavatson 26 Don Scargall 11 years

Bill Hoogstra 11 years

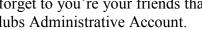


#### **POPCORN**

Boy Scout Troop #206 joined us for the meeting today and set up a table in the foyer to sell Popcorn. Thank you to those members who helped to support our Boy Scouts.

#### **PECANS**

Nancy Miller announced that the PECANS have arrived! Fresh pecans for only \$8.50 per pound! I can taste pecan pie, can't you? Don't forget to you're your friends that the





money raised from the pecan sales goes to the clubs Administrative Account.

Luncheon Cup Money for November 8, 2006 was \$40.66

# MEMBERSHIP

New Member	<b>Sponsor</b>	<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

# **GUESTS FOR 11/08/06**

Henry McGinty introduced the guests.

Moses C. Hall Jr. was the guest of Jerry Harris.

Jerry Haire was the guest of A. C. Johnson.

Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

Sharon Jones was the guest of Kelly Jones.

Kent Brown-Scout Executive-was the guest of Alan Eggleston.

Boy Scout Troop #206 members were guests of the Club.

#### **GREETERS**

Look at these great Kiwanians and "Happy Greeters". We still need you to sign up to greet members and guests each week as well as helping with the check in process. Don't forget!



#### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

11/22/06-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)

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1/17/06-Pep Rally-Basketball Shoot Out 1/22/06-10<sup>th</sup> Annual Basketball Shoot Out *Programs are subject to change without notice.* 

#### KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/16/06-Program Committee Meeting, Briarstone, 12:00pm 12/04/06-Governor's Banquet

#### **THANK YOU**

Dear Glyn,

Day Nursery of Abilene is very appreciative of the Abilene Kiwanis Club providing vision screenings for our children. We are truly grateful for your interest and support of Day Nursery. Thank you so much! Donated services such as yours help Day Nursery fulfill its mission of providing affordable quality child care for a diverse community. Since the doors first opened more than thirty years ago, this agency has worked diligently by responding to the needs of working parents who are trying to give their children an opportunity for a better life. Day Nursery does this by offering flexible hours and reliable, quality child care. Its centers offer a safe, healthy, developmentally appropriate environment for more than 60 children each month. On behalf of the staff and children of Day Nursery of Abilene, thank you again for your interest and support of our child care program.

With sincere appreciation, Cynthia Pearson, Executive Director

# **OUR NEXT PROGRAM-11/15/06**

Well I think our next program is going to be a surprise!

Better not miss it!

# INTERCLUB-North Abilene-11/03/06

Caroline Lee, Donald McDonald, Lynda Fogerson, Don Scargall, Dennis Laster, Bill Hoogstra, Keith Garner

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

This year's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Mission: Thanksgiving will be held on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at Arrow Ford, 4001 South 1<sup>st</sup> Street. This is an annual "fundraiser" that Arrow Ford does for Love & Care Ministries. It provides non-perishable food, blankets, clothing, sleeping bags, coats, bottled water, shoes, socks, hygiene items, and cash. All of these items donated will benefit the homeless and poor in our community.

# **SOMETHING ELSE**

Something else this week is that I'm going on vacation and next week's Kiwanigram should be available by late Tuesday night November 21st.

# WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

#### 2006-2007 OFFICERS

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