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## OUR NEXT PROGRAM

### KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

All members of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene will want to be present at this week's "**members only**" meeting on Wednesday, January 24, 2007. The purpose of the meeting is to give club members the opportunity to review and discuss a recommendation regarding membership dues and meeting location.

The board of directors is recommending that-

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene move its meeting location to the Abilene Country Club as soon as convenient and that the Kiwanis Club of Abilene dues be raised from \$43 per month to \$55 per month to accommodate this change.

Further, the board recommends that leave of absence dues be raised from \$11 to \$12 and that senior status dues be raised from \$19 to \$22.

Marcus Anderson will serve as parliamentarian during the membership meeting. Doug Williamson and Dennis Laster will be available to answer questions about the recommendation and the work of the ad hoc committee that brought the recommendation to the board of directors. Ken Poynor, chairman of the finance committee, will be available to answer any questions relating to the dues increase.

A written ballot vote on the recommendation will be taken at the regular Kiwanis Club of Abilene meeting on Wednesday, January 31, 2007. Because the recommendation involves a dues increase, a two-thirds majority is required for the recommendation to pass. Members must be present to cast their ballot; no absentee or proxy ballots will be accepted.

### OPENING CEREMONY FOR 01/17/07

**President Margaret Hoogstra** presided over the meeting. **David Jones** led the singing. **A. C. Johnson** led the prayer; **John Thomas** led the pledge and **David Jones** introduced the program.

WHAT A MEETING! January 17, 2007

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Basketball Shoot Out  
Pep Rally  
David Jones**



Even with the weather threatening many Kiwanians turned out for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Basketball Shoot Out Pep Rally. So with the "I Feel Good" music playing David Jones announced that in the last nine years just over \$19,000 has been raised. The money, of course staying in the Big Country to help **Meeks Children's Hospital and the Children's Miracle Network.**

David introduced fellow Kiwanian Mark Rogers, of the Greater Abilene Club and the new Executive Director of CMN. Mark spoke about this exciting event, how the money raised would help and assisted David in encouraging Kiwanians to attend as well as volunteer.

With guests in attendance from both schools, Lesley Floyd from KTXS TV and Mr. Tino Martinez as a surprise guest, arriving with "Shoot Out" T-Shirts to show us all, there sure was a lot of excitement.

Also present was Ron Holmes, in his 17<sup>th</sup> season guiding the McMurry University men's basketball program, which is one of the premier programs in the 16 team American Southwest Conference. The Indians have had 13 consecutive winning seasons. This year Coach Holmes reached his 450<sup>th</sup> career win!

Brittney Densman spoke on behalf of Sam Nichols who is the Indian's all-time "winningest" coach with 188 victories. He has 600 combined wins as a high school and college coach. The McMurry women have a 13-1 record this season and are perfect in conference play.

Dylan Howard is in his 6<sup>th</sup> season as the head men's basketball coach for Hardin-Simmons University. In just five years, he has coached 13 players to All-ASC Honors, as well as having the second largest number of academic all-ASC selections in the conference.

Shanna Briggs is in her 5<sup>th</sup> season as coach of the HSU Women's basketball. She has compiled a 100 win to 15 loss record and led the Cowgirls to the NCAA Division III-Final Four last year. The Cowgirls have been to the NCAA Elite Eight, the NCAA Sweet 16 twice and have won two American Southwest Conference titles and three ASC West Division titles.

So with all that information you need to attend the **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Shoot Out on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>!**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

James Hallmark.

Roy Lewis.

LuGene Lewis.

Margaret Jolly.

J. R. Velasco's mother Olivia Velasco.

Dick Kincaid's wife Joanne.

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

Nelda Wallace \*\*\* Billy Clay \*\*\*

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



## SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

The writer of James says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him." (James 1:5) In the chaotic world in which we live, we are well advised to take James counsel to heart. God always wants the best life possible for us, which is why we pursue Wisdom. In other writings Wisdom is personified as a noun, hence:

- Wisdom is a Presence...with a life of her own, radiant, unfading and easily discerned by those who love and found by those who seek her.
- Wisdom is gained in Daily Living...always before us Wisdom moves from head to heart, always full of possibility for growth in Godliness.
- Wisdom is Inclusive... always inviting all of God's creation on her journey, all who are foolish but could be wise.
- Wisdom invites us on a Journey...to become something we are not yet, a reflection of God's heart and mind.
- Wisdom takes a Long View...beyond temporal life into a greater life, an eternal existence into which we are drawn.
- Wisdom is to be Cultivated...in silence, in prayer, in thought, in reading.

"Where is the wise man?" I Cor. 1:20

**BIRTHDAYS**-January  
Nell Sims 26

**KIWANIS MINUTE**- The sixth objective of Kiwanis is “To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.

**PECANS**

Once again Nancy Miller was available with pecans for sale after the meeting. Please, if you have not bought a bag, if you know someone who might like a bag, if you need a great gift for someone, now is the time to buy these delicious nuts. Help your clubs Administrative account today! You may now have your purchases billed to your account!



**Luncheon Cup Money for January 17, 2006 was \$43.39**

**GUESTS FOR 01/17/06**

**Dennis Laster** introduced the guests.  
Janice Smith was the guest of Guinn Smith.  
Laretta Blackburn was the guest of Curtis Blackburn.  
Mike Jetter was the guest of Jerry Harris.  
Stephen Collins was the guest of Merle Collins.  
Lorne Sutherlin, George Woodfin and John Fred Phillips were all guests from the Greater Club.

# MEMBERSHIP

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Date</u>
Connie Stephens	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
Vicky Stout	Kenny Smith	12/20/06

**FUTURE PROGRAMS**

- 1/31/07-Members who are Veterans
- 2/07/07- Black History Program
- 2/14/07-Celebration of Valentine’s Day with Music
- 2/21/07-Farm & Ranch Show

*Programs are subject to change without notice.*



**KIWANIS’ CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 2/08/07-Board Meeting at the Cotton Patch Restaurant at 12 noon.
- 2/17/07-T/O Mid-Winter Conference
- 3/06/07-Division 35 Council Meeting at the Cotton Patch Restaurant at 6:30p.m.
- 6/07/07-6/09/07-Hole in One Contest
- 7/02/07-7/06/07-International Conference-San Antonio, Texas
- 8/02/07-8/05/07-T/O District Conference-The Woodlands, Texas

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

12<sup>th</sup> Annual Women’s Conference-Abilene Civic Center-February 9, 2007-9am-2:30pm

**INTERCLUB-** North Abilene-1/5/07

Keith Garner, Bruce Davis, Lora Lynn Christianson, Bill Hoogstra, Clarence Presswood, Russell Berry, Mark Young, Kimberley Cole

**INTERCLUB-**Division 35-1/16/07

Clarence Presswood, Caroline Lee, Margaret Hoogstra, Bill Hoogstra, Ty Purcell, Gordon Dowell, Lora Lynn Christensen

## **THANK YOU**

Dear Gene, Jeanette and Division 35,

Thank you for a wonderful Governor's Banquet at ACU. I don't think another division can top the marvelous evening you put together.

The lady's reception before the dinner was delightful. Barbara Tatom, you did a great job. Rosemary, you were beautiful. I was glad to meet ex-First Lady Wilma Marshall-you are so full of grace. Dorothy Dowell, I met a friend last week who knows you-Janie Brock from Castroville. She admires you.

The dinner was delicious. The ACU Trombone Quartet did a super job.

We thank you for the generous donation to the T/O Foundation. It is a gift that will keep on giving. Thank you for showering us with gifts. "Between Heaven and Texas" is on my coffee table. The chocolate tamales are a hit with my friends. They want to order some. The pralines were eaten quickly and enjoyed. The West Texas note pad is so cute. Plus a straw hat to remind us of Abilene.

Our tour of Abilene was terrific. I love "Jordan's Dream".

You are wonderful Kiwanians, Sincerely Bill and Jane Crump

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Dear Mrs. Hoogstra,

We want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the Kiwanis Club does for Reagan Elementary. You will never know what a tremendous blessing you have been to our students at Reagan. The volunteers, the money, and all of the books for the library and our students are so appreciated. We feel that we are the most blessed school in the whole wide world.

Thanks again!

Moses C. Hall, Jr., Principal, Reagan Elementary

## **SOMETHING ELSE**

### **Something I found worth sharing-**

People come into your life for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. When you know which one it is, you will know what to do for that person. When someone is in your life for a **REASON**, it is usually to meet a need you have expressed. They have come to assist you through difficulty, to provide you with guidance and support, to aid you physically, emotionally or spiritually.

They may seem like a godsend and they are. They are there for the reason you need them to be. Then, without any wrongdoing on your part or at an inconvenient time, this person will say or do something to bring the relationship to an end. Sometimes they die. Sometimes they walk away. Sometimes they act up and force you to take a stand. What we must realize is that our need has been met, our desire fulfilled, their work is done.

The prayer you sent up has been answered and now it is time to move on.

Some people come into your life for a **SEASON**, because your turn has come to share, grow or learn.

They bring you an experience of peace or make you laugh. They may teach you something you have never done. They usually give you an unbelievable amount of joy. Believe it, it is real.

But only for a season!

**LIFETIME** relationships teach you lifetime lessons, things you must build upon in order to have a solid emotional foundation. Your job is to accept the lesson, love the person and put what you have learned to use in all other relationships and areas of your life. It is said that love is blind but friendship is clairvoyant.

Thank you for being a part of my life, whether you were a reason, a season, or a lifetime.

Author Unknown

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

### 2006-2007 OFFICERS

Margaret Hoogstra *President*  
Lora Lynn Christensen *Vice-President*  
Bruce Davis *Vice President*  
Guinn Smith *Vice President*  
Gordon Dowell *Immediate Past-President*

Carl Lockett *President-Elect*  
Ricki Brown *Treasurer*  
Kimberley Cole *Foundation Treasurer*  
Ty Purcell *Secretary*  
Henry McGinty *Assistant Secretary*

### 2005-2006 DIRECTORS

#### **TWO YEARS**

Charles Kirkpatrick  
George Knight  
LuGene Lewis  
Pam McGrew  
Kenny Smith

#### **ONE YEAR**

Russell Berry  
Dennis Laster  
Clinton Nix  
Sheila Watts  
Mark Young

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