

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene KIWANIGRAM



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

OUR NEXT PROGRAM



2007 FARM & RANCH WILDLIFE EXPO



Dr. Elsa Murano was appointed Vice Chancellor and Dean, Agriculture and Life Sciences and Director, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Texas A&M University on January 3, 2005.

In 2001, Dr. Murano was appointed Undersecretary for Food Safety, U.S. Department of Agriculture, by President George W. Bush. Dr. Murano served as the highest ranking food safety official in the U.S. government with the responsibility of overseeing the policies and

programs of the Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS).

Prior to this appointment, Dr. Murano was appointed professor in the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University after having been associate professor in that same department since 1995. She was awarded the Sadie Hatfield Professorship in Agriculture in 2000. Also while at Texas A&M University, Dr. Murano served as director of the Center for Food Safety within the Institute of Food Science and Engineering from 1997 to 2001 and associate director from 1995 to 1997.

Dr. Murano served as professor-in-charge of research programs at the Linear Accelerator Facility at Iowa State University from 1992 to 1995. She was an assistant professor in the Department of Microbiology, Immunology, and Preventative Medicine at Iowa State University from 1990 to 1995.

A native of Havana, Cuba, Dr. Murano received her B.S. in biological sciences from Florida International University. She received her M.S. in anaerobic microbiology and Ph.D. in food science and technology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

She resides in Bryan, Texas, with her husband Dr. Peter S. Murano.

Also, at the luncheon, we will recognize the Farm Family of the Year. **The location of the meeting is the Big County Hall located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo.** The luncheon is part of the Texas Farm & Ranch, Wildlife Expo and begins at **11:30am-1:00pm**. The cost is \$15.00 per person. (Members will be charged the difference on their monthly bills). After the meeting, we invite members to walk though the booths at the coliseum. The Expo is a joint effort of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce and the Texas Cooperative Extension- Taylor County.

ROUND TABLE WILL BE HELD AT BRIARSTONE.

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 02/14/07

President Margaret Hoogstra presided over the meeting. **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Nell Sims** led the prayer; **Carl Lockett** led the pledge and **Dub Pritchett** introduced the program.

WHAT A MEETING! February 14, 2007

MUSICAL PROGRAM June Park and Jane Dement



This week's program was enjoyed by everyone, and it was so great to see so many love birds in attendance. How appropriate for Valentine's Day. Our attention upon arrival this week was directed to Elvis, the 50's car, the records and juke box that set the scene. June Park and Jane Dement dressed in their memorable 50's style, sang a number of favorites. Most entertaining was "Little Susie" when member Russell Berry and his sweetheart Paula snuggled up in the old car at the drive in. Get the idea!



June and Jane reminded us all about the fabulous 50's. There was the shiny chrome kitchen set, the hi fi stereo, leather jackets and crisp white t-shirts. It was when a scoop of ice cream cost five cents, candy cigarettes and bazooka were a must have and everyone needed a cherry coke. The names Elvis, Buddy Holly, James Dean, Ed Sullivan as well as Gun Smoke and the Honeymooners were all the talk. Even Perry Como, June and Jane's favorite. It was a wonderful walk down memory lane. The ladies closed with the song "True Love" from the movie "High Society".



PRAYER REQUESTS

Clarence Presswood's sister Gail Killough.

John Thomas's son.

Nelda Wallace is in the hospital.

Donald McDonald's wife Becky.

Margaret Jolly.

J. R. Velasco's mother Olivia Velasco.

Dick Kincaid's wife Joanne.

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

Billy Clay ***

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



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE- Running the Race

A few years ago, at the Seattle Special Olympics, nine contestants, all physically or mentally disabled, assembled at the starting line for the 100-yard dash.

At the gun, they all started out, not exactly in a dash, but with a relish to run the race to the finish and win. All, that is, except one little boy who stumbled on the asphalt, tumbled over a couple of times, and began to cry. The other eight heard the boy cry. They slowed down and looked back. Then they all turned around and went back.....every one of them. They went back to help their fallen friend get back on his feet. Then all nine linked arms and walked together to the finish line. Why? Because they knew that what matters in this life is more than winning for ourselves. What matters in this life is helping others win, even if it means slowing down and changing our course.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

BIRTHDAYS-February

Don Henderson 21

KIWANIS MINUTE-

*Twenty-nine members made an Inter-Club meeting with the Brownwood Club

*The Pancake supper netted the Club \$3340 in 1957.

*There is evidence that the membership is creating a real boisterous and noisy environment at the meetings and has been reprimanded in the Kiwanigram.

*Senator Lyndon B. Johnson was the speaker at the October 23, 1957 club meeting. He was introduced by Reed Ingalsbe. Representative Omar Burleson was a guest of the club.

*Twenty Kiwanians, plus thirteen wives attended a Rural-Urban relations dinner at Potosi.

*President Moser, Jim Jennings and Joe Smith and their families attended the International Convention in Atlantic City. President Moser says his children have never ridden on a train and have been filling and refilling their piggy banks for several months. Overall attendance was 13,465. H. Park Arnold from Glendale, California is the new president of Kiwanis International.

*One gallon of ice cream was offered to every Kiwanian who sold one hundred or over tickets to the Pancake Supper. Fifteen Kiwanians had a gallon of ice cream complements of the Borden Co. and Sam Hill, Manager.

*A bill to pay for two tonsillectomies for children was approved by the board. The total amount was about \$30.

PRESENTATION



President Hoogstra had the pleasure of presenting long time Kiwanis Club of Abilene member J. C. McCurdy with a Hixson. The George F. Hixson Fellowship was created to honor those persons who either give, or have given in their honor \$1,000.00 to the Kiwanis International Foundation. J. C. McCurdy received a plaque, lapel pin, and the Hixson which is to be worn around the neck. A banner patch was also received by the club.

BUILDERS CLUB

John Thomas announced that members of the Sponsored Youth Committee will be asking members to attend Builders Club meetings. Members are encouraged to attend.

SURVEY

A survey was given to members, to assist the Board of Directors in exploring the opinions of members on the recent vote to change our meeting location and the increase of dues.

PANCAKE DOLLARS

Kerry Fortune was the recipient of a \$600.00 donation of "Pancake Dollars" for the Ben Richey Boys Ranch presented by Guinn Smith. This year the Ben Richey Boys Ranch will celebrate its 60th birthday!

REMINDER

The Kiwanis Clubs of Greater Abilene and North Abilene will be hosting their annual chili day on Saturday February 24th at the Abilene Civic Center.



Luncheon Cup Money for February 14, 2007 was \$50.55

GUESTS FOR 02/14/07

Guinn Smith introduced the guests.

Susan Black and Lucille Dement were guests of our singers today.

Fernando Quintana was the guest of Guinn Smith.

Dorothy Presswood was the guest of Clarence Presswood.

Paula Berry was the guest of Russell Berry.

Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

Peggy Young was the guest of Jarrell Young.

Nancy Phillips was the guest of Billy Phillips.

Amanda Campbell was the guest of Bradley Campbell.

Jean Casey was the guest of Mike Casey.

Cara Williams was the guest of Randy Williams.

Elaine Kirkpatrick was the guest of Charles Kirkpatrick.

RoseMary Williams was the guest of Don Williams.

Marcy Bomar was the guest of Gary Bomar.

Amy Ho was the guest of Ted Ho.

Joyce Riddell was the guest of Don Riddle.

Arlene McCurdy and Janey Mims were the guests of J. C. McCurdy.

MEMBERSHIP

New Member

Connie Stephens

Dub Hawkins

Bruce Benton

Faye Dodson

Bradley Campbell

Vicky Stout

Shirley Velasco

Sponsor

Dub Pritchett

Pamela McGrew

Van Boozer

Kelly Jones

David Bacon

Kenny Smith

J. R. Velasco

Date

10/4/06

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10/11/06 (member since 08/30/06)

11/1/06

11/1/06

12/20/06

2/14/07

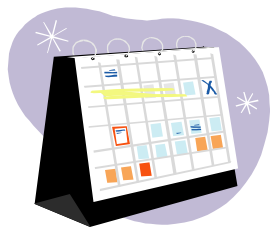


Shirley Velasco, wife of member J. R. Velasco became the latest member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene this week. Shirley is a homemaker and has been attending our meetings on a regular basis. Please welcome Shirley.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- 2/28/07-Black History with Crystal Wylie
- 3/07/07-Pancake Day Kick Off
- 3/14/07-The Piano Man
- 3/21/07-Stomp Program
- 3/28/07-New Family Life Center with Randy Vorhees
- 4/04/07-Spiritual Aims-Easter

Programs are subject to change without notice.



KIWANIS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 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

INTERCLUB-Cross Plains-2/10/07

Bruce Davis, Lora Lynn Christensen, Bill Hoogstra, Clarence Presswood, J. C. McCurdy, Carl Lockett

Bruce Davis was the guest speaker at the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club on Saturday evening. It was that club's 25th anniversary and recognition of its founding members. Congratulations to Bruce on doing a superb job of adding humor while giving an important message about service and setting examples within the community and our successors.

THANK YOU

Dear Kiwanians,

Thank you for your special contribution to Meals on Wheels Plus, Inc. during the holiday season. Your gift insures that we can provide a home delivered meal five days a week to some very special people.

Each weekday, Meals on Wheels volunteers knock on the door at homes of people who have multiple health problems and cannot prepare a nutritious meal for themselves. Without Meals on Wheels they would have little to eat that day.

Many of those who receive meals will not see anyone all day except the volunteer with their noon meal. They know that if they do not answer the door that someone will be checking to make sure they are not ill or injured. We rely on contributions from the community for the basis of our funding. Without generous donors like you, we would not exist. We thank you for reaching out to help us serve hot meals to 1,030 special people who need just a little bit of help to remain at home.

Thanks so much for the generous gift! It is a great help.

Warmly yours,

Betty L. Bradley, LBSW, Executive Director

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the clients, staff and Board of Directors here at Abilene Adult Day Care, I want to thank you for your recent generous gift.

Since 1975, we have been helping families in the Abilene community stay together. Because of your generosity, our elderly and challenged neighbors can continue to function as independently as their disabilities will allow and remain at home with their families as long as possible.

As we enter our 32nd year of continuous full time community service to Abilene, I appreciate your wonderful vote of confidence in our work and for your ongoing support.

Thank you, too, for your generosity and concern. You are truly making a real difference.

Blessings to you...

Sincerely yours,

Lisa Cornwell, RN, Executive Director

SOMETHING ELSE

Keep On Going

No matter what the day brings
Or what may come along,
Just put a smile upon your face,
And sing a happy song...
No matter what the day brings
Or what may lie in store,
Just fill your heart with hope and peace
And happiness galore...
No matter what the day brings
Or what may be your cares,
Just reach to God and He will send
An answer to your prayers...
No matter what the day brings
Or what may touch your soul,
Just walk with Jesus all the way
And you will reach your goal...

And keep on going!

Hope C. Oberhelman

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>Guinn Smith</i>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Henry McGinty</i>	<i>Assistant Secretary</i>
<i>Gordon Dowell</i>	<i>Immediate Past-President</i>		

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TWO YEARS

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LuGene Lewis
Pam McGrew
Kenny Smith

ONE YEAR

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Clinton Nix
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