

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

OUR NEXT PROGRAM

BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS Tim Yandel

Big Brothers Big Sisters is a volunteer organization that provides children support, guidance, friendship and fun by matching them with adult role models. Enriching, encouraging and empowering children to reach their highest potential through safe, positive mentoring relationships is the agency's mission. We serve this mission through a professional staff that carefully works with both the volunteers and the children to ensure that the experience of Big Brothers Big Sisters is one that is dynamic, fulfilling, memorable and fun for both the child and the volunteer.

Big Brothers Big Sisters' one-to-one youth mentoring has been shown to have a significant and positive impact on the lives of children. Researchers found that after spending time with their Bigs, the Little Brothers and Little Sisters were:

- 46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs
- 27% less likely to begin using alcohol
- 52% less likely to skip school
- 37% less likely to skip a class
- more confident of their performance in schoolwork
- one-third less likely to hit someone
- getting along better with their families

We hope to see you all on Wednesday to learn more about Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

OPENING CEREMONY FOR 12/5/07

Carl Lockett presided over the meeting. **Don Scargall** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Marcus Anderson** led the prayer; **Guinn Smith** led the pledge and **Kimberley Cole** introduced the program.

WHAT A MEETING! December 5, 2007



WALMART Gift Giving Ideas

It is a program that everyone enjoys each year and Wednesday was no exception. Wal-Mart once again brought their most popular selling items of the season. Kris, Deborah, Daniel and Mela brought the most popular items of this season to share with us. Hannah Montana is very popular and her Barbie doll is a big seller. The Fur Real Squawkers McCaw stops everyone who passes by it. The children will love the Rip Stick Skateboard and Power Tour Electric Guitar.

The following items were also shown and then won in drawings by the listed members. Ginny Wells and Jamie Breed both won neck massagers, Kimberley Cole took home the Squawkers McCaw, Guinn Smith-Transformers, Billy Clay the game, Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?, the Hannah Montana Barbie doll went to Grady Jolly, and Jeff Goodin took a watch/bracelet set. Shirley Velasco will be watching the movie Ratatouille and Marcus Anderson-Pirates of the Caribbean. J.C. McCurdy has new power scissors and A.C. Johnson a new cozy blanket. David Bacon won the One Touch Can Opener, David Jones the Rotato; potato cutter, and Roland Williams the Gel and Lather Kit. Congratulations to all!

Christmas is always such a fun time with Wal-Mart.

PRAYER REQUESTS

John Thomas has health concerns.

Ted Ho **Billy Clay Nelda Wallace**

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

**** God Bless our Military Men & Women ****



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE- "Putting Others Before Self"

Jesus humbled himself. He went from commanding angels to sleeping in the straw. From holding stars to clutching Mary's finger. The palm that held the universe took the nail of a soldier. Why? Because that's what love does. It puts the beloved before itself. ~ Max Lucado in "A Love Worth Giving"

By this we know love, because he laid down His life for us. 1 John 3:16

GOVERNOR'S BANQUET/ DIVISION 35 COUNCIL MEETING

The Governors Banquet was held Monday evening December 3rd at the Christian Life Center of First Baptist Church in Clyde, TX.

It was great to see so many members in

attendance; Grady and Margaret Jolly, Nancy Miller, Bill and Margaret Hoogstra, Kelly and Sharon Jones, LuGene Lewis, Bruce and Charlotte Davis, J.C. and Arlyene McCurdy, Clarence and Dorothy Presswood, Caroline and Richard Lee.



T/O FOUNDATION NEWS

Don't forget that Kristen Carnohan is still selling tickets for the T/O Foundation fundraiser. Tickets are \$20.00 each for a chance to win \$4000.00 for a trip to your favorite destination, anytime you choose. All money raised will benefit the scholarship fund. The drawing will be held February 16, 2008 at the Mid-Winter Conference.

MEMBERSHIP

The Brag Basket was passed again this week and \$21.00 was collected to be used by the membership committee for awards this year. Don't forget to invite guests to our meetings, our strength is in numbers and guests help us to spread the good word of Kiwanis throughout the community.

PRESENTATION

Jamie Breed had the pleasure of presenting a check in the amount of \$500.00 to Dee Wilson, Executive Director of Noah Project.





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Kelly Jones had the pleasure of presenting Al'An Kessler with a check in the amount of \$150.00. The money will be used to help send a child to camp V.I.L.L.A. (Vocational, Independent, Living, and Leisure, Activities) this summer

BIRTHDAYS-December

Charles Kirkpatrick 12
Bill Zavatson 13



GUESTS FOR 12/5/07

Lori Reyna introduced the guests.
Dee Wilson was a guest of the Club.
Al'An Kesler was a guest of Caroline Lee.
Vanessa Sealy was a guest of Sheila Watts.
Karri Leavenworth was a guest of Russell Leavenworth.
Tina Cargile was a guest of Andrew Cargile.
Earlene Clay was a guest of Billy Clay.
Mark Powell, Linda Sissal, Russell Taylor were guests of Kimberley Cole.

**Bring a guest to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene meetings when ever you can.
Share with them the wonderful things that we do all year long. Tell them that:
Kiwanis is a Global Organization of volunteers
dedicated to changing the world
One Child and One Community at a Time.**

MEMBERSHIP

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Induction Date</u>
Kyle Brown	Chris Carnohan	10/3/07
Rob Welborn	Dub Pritchett	10/3/07
Leonard Brock	Caroline Lee	10/17/07
Richard Reyna	Dub Pritchett	11/7/07
Andrew Cargile	John Thomas	11/7/07
A.C. Alrey	Carl Lockett	11/14/07
Scott Frakes	Stanley Higgins	11/28/07

Scott Frakes is the newest member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Scott is with the USAF, NCOIC Dental Services. He is married to Debbie and was sponsored by Stanley Higgins.



FUTURE PROGRAMS

12/19/07-Spiritual Aims 1/16/07-Basketball Shoot Out
12/26/07-There is no meeting. 1/23/07-Wylie Jazz Band
1/2/08-There is no meeting. 1/30/07-Bobbie Wolfe
1/9/07-TBA

Programs are subject to change without notice.



KIWANIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/13/07-Board Meeting, 12 noon at the Cotton Patch Restaurant.

12/20/07-NO PROGRAM MEETING THIS MONTH

Builder's Club meets Monday's at 4:30pm at the Fannin Boys and Girls Club.

INTERCLUBS

11/29/07-Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene-Russell Berry, Mark Young, Randy Williams, Carl Lockett, Clarence Presswood, Donald McDonald.

12/4/07-Division 35 Council Meeting-Kelly Jones, Sharon Jones, Margaret Hoogstra, Bill Hoogstra, LuGene Lewis, Caroline Lee, Clarence Presswood.

12/4/07-Governor's Banquet- Grady Jolly, Margaret Jolly, Nancy Miller, Bill Hoogstra, Margaret Hoogstra, LuGene Lewis, Kelly Jones, Sharon Jones, Bruce Davis, J.C. McCurdy, Clarence Presswood, Caroline Lee.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

From our Home to Yours...

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Hoping the joy of Christmas will light up your home.

God Bless, David, Elaine and the Hendrick Home Family

In the Spirit of Christmas and on behalf of the board of directors, children and staff, we wish you, our friend of the Day Nursery of Abilene, a blessed Christmas!

During the Holiday Season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our services possible. And in this spirit we say, simply but sincerely...

May Peace, Joy, Hope and Happiness be yours during this Holiday Season.

From All Of Us At NOAH PROJECT

Seasons Greetings from the Boys & Girls Club of Abilene!

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

2007-2008 OFFICERS

<i>Carl Lockett</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Bruce Davis</i>	<i>President-Elect</i>
<i>David Bacon</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Ricki Brown</i>	<i>Treasurer/ Foundation Treasurer</i>
<i>Pamela McGrew</i>	<i>Vice President</i>		<i>Secretary</i>
<i>Mark Young</i>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Faye Dodson</i>	<i>Assistant Secretary</i>
<i>Margaret Hoogstra</i>	<i>Immediate Past-President</i>	<i>Henry McGinty</i>	

2007-2008 DIRECTORS

TWO YEARS

Jamie Breed
Jerry Carter
John Thomas
J. R. Velasco
Randy Williams

ONE YEAR

Charles Kirkpatrick
George Knight
LuGene Lewis
Kenny Smith

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