

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

## OUR NEXT PROGRAM

### **AUTISM** **Melissa Richardson**

Melissa Richardson is an Autism Specialist with the Region 14 Education Service Center. She consults with 42 school districts as well as Universities, agencies, civic groups and parents to provide training and technical support in the area of autism. Melissa received her Masters of Education from Abilene Christian University and serves on several boards and committees locally and statewide. She has chaired the West Texas Autism Walk since its inception four years ago. Last year the walk raised \$85,500 for autism research and this year's goal is set at \$100,000.

Melissa has three sons and a daughter-in-law. She is a member of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church and she loves to travel and work in her yard. Melissa is currently taking voice and piano lessons.

Join us on Wednesday as Melissa will offer another interesting program.

## **OPENING CEREMONY FOR 2/27/08**

**Carl Lockett** presided over the meeting. **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Jerry Harris** led the prayer; **Lori Reyna** led the pledge and **Kristen Carnohan** introduced the program.

## **WHAT A MEETING!** February 27, 2008

### **ROY JUAREZ JR.** **Motivational Speaker**



Roy Juarez Jr. is a member of the Kiwanis Club of North Abilene. He spoke to our club this week about how he came to be where he is today.

With some members shedding a few tears, as they listened. Roy's story began as he thought he would be going on a family fishing trip. Roy told of his parents and then his dad shattering all of his dreams. Roy never got to go on that fishing trip. Instead he has taken a quick trip through life. He had learned at a very young age how to hate and how to live on his own. With a bag that he called home he carried on; one day hungry, he entered a conference and made himself at home. As he ate he listened to the guest speaker; Lt. Colonel Consuela Kickbusch Castle; she changed his life. Roy was able to see that there

was so much more to life and left that meeting with a plan for himself. Roy has overcome many obstacles and shown great courage to carry on. Roy's story was very moving and certainly made each and every one in

attendance think about what they can do to see that children in our community have the best opportunities available to them for a successful future. Roy concluded his talk by saying this "Everyone has a gift that children out there need, Please share it!"

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For the family and friends of Lt. Gov. Don Boles whose father Done E. Boles passed away.  
For the family and friends of Jimmy Bell; friend of Van Boozer.  
For the family and friends of Stella Lee, aunt of Richard and Caroline Lee who passed away.  
Carl Lockett's son who is preparing for his 2<sup>nd</sup> Tour of Duty to Iraq in March.  
LuGene Lewis is recovering from a minor surgery.  
Jack Rentz's father.  
John Thomas's wife Erin is recuperating from back surgery at home.  
Gary Bomar's wife Marcy\*\*Dub Pritchett\*\*StanleyHiggins\*\*RosannaHerndon\*\*Margaret Jolly\*\*  
Ted Ho\*\*Nelda Wallace\*\*Billy Clay

*\*\*\*\*\*To those not mentioned, our thoughts prayers are still with you. \*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* God Bless our Military Men & Women \*\*\**



### SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE- "Let Your Light Shine"

The Bible tells us not to hide our lights under a bushel, to show forth our good works so that we might glorify our Father in heaven. The trick is to do our good works with gratitude, not pride; otherwise, we worship the work and our part in it instead of God. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

### HIXON PRESENTATION

A highlight of Wednesday's meeting was the presentation of a Hixon to Dub Pritchett by Kristen Carnohan. Dub had his wife Mary, daughter Leta and grandson Steve join him this week; as he received the George F. Hixon Fellowship. Dub also was the recipient of this year's Bailey G. Choate Award for Long-Term Service and was presented with a Kiwanis clock by President Carl Lockett. To top off "Dub Day" President Lockett also presented Dub with a Ruby K pin, this is received for sharing Kiwanis with five new members to the Kiwanis club.

**Congratulations Dub**, we all appreciate what you do to serve the children of this community.





### **TEXAS RAMP PROJECT**

Mr. John Laine visited the club this week and spoke briefly about the Texas Ramp Project. This program began with the Richardson, Texas Kiwanis Club and has steadily grown to where many cities have been developed. This project has volunteers building wheelchair ramps for those who need them. Students from Abilene Christian University will soon begin to volunteer to help with this worthwhile project.

### **GUMBALLS**

Gumball King Earl Williams presented the Club with a check in the amount of \$462.96 making the grand total to date \$231,914.56.



### **DENTON CHALLENGE**

Remember our goal is to **WIN** the challenge. It will take all of us to make it happen. There have been some significant changes to our membership numbers lately. We begin the month of March with 119 members! Let's remember our slogan "One Fifty Two, It's Up To You". What's your reason for the club not reaching its goal??



### **BASKETBALL SHOOTOUT**

David Jones, Chair of the Basketball Shootout presented a check to Karen Brittain, Marketing Director for Hendrick Hospital who was accompanied by J'Lynn Harvey, Children's Miracle Network Director. The check was in the amount of **\$7946.04**, all of which was raised during the recent Basketball Shootout 2008.

### **FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Applications for Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation Scholarships have been sent to the four Abilene High Schools and the Abilene universities and Cisco Junior College. Kiwanis members who know of a student who is eligible and would like to personally give them an application may request one from Scholarship Chair, Lynda Fogerson, or you can encourage the student to pick up an application at their school. Eligible students must be a senior in one of the four Abilene High Schools or a college student who graduated from an Abilene high school. **Deadline for receiving the completed applications and two references in the Kiwanis Club office is April 1, 2008.**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Brag Basket was presented this week, for a total of \$23.00.

### **LAY PERSON OF THE YEAR**

Applications are now available for Lay Person of the Year. Please see Charles Kirkpatrick for more information.

**Luncheon Cup Money for February 27, 2008 was \$36.89.**

## GUESTS FOR 2/27/08

Linda Fogerson introduced the guests.

Mark Powell.

Earlene Clay was the guest of Billy Clay.

Rob Allen was a guest of Nancy Miller.

J'Lynn Harvey and Karen Brittain were the guests of David Jones.

Mary Pritchett, Leta Major and Steve Major were guests of Dub Pritchett.

Darrell Watkins of the Clyde Golden K Club was the guest of Jarrell Young.

Barbara Surratt was a guest of Amy Gregory.

Amy Gregory was a guest from the Kiwanis Club of North Abilene.

Gene Linder, Kent Barnett, Cleve Cullers, Tommy Holmes and Don Hilton were guests from the Key City Club.

**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
Marion "Lew" Lewis	Grady Jolly	1/16/08
Devhra BennettJones	Ricki Brown	1/23/08

### BIRTHDAYS- March

Kelly Jones 12



### FUTURE PROGRAMS

3/12/08-Pancake Day Kick-Off

3/19/08-Spiritual Aims-Rev. John Sanders-St. James United Methodist Church

3/26/08-Valerie Corder, RN-Organ and Tissue Donation

*Programs are subject to change without notice.*

### KIWANIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



3/13/08-Board Meeting, 12 noon at the Cotton Patch Restaurant.

3/20/08-Program Committee Meeting, 12 noon at Briarstone Manor.

4/12/08-Merkel Kiwanis Club's Charter Night at Heritage Hall in Merkel.

4/20/08-4/24/08-Kiwanis International President will visit-Details to follow soon.

4/26/08-PANCAKE DAY

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

## INTERCLUBS

2/26/08-Division 35 Council Meeting

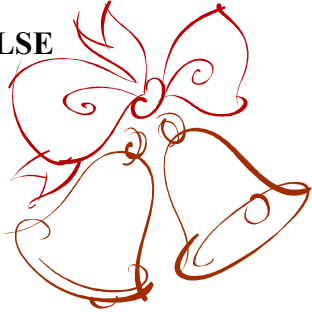
Bill Hoogstra, Caroline Lee, Russell Berry, Dennis Laster, Nancy Miller, Carl Lockett, Chris Carnohan, Kristen Carnohan.

## NEW KIWANIS CLUB

The new **Kiwanis Club of Merkel**, Texas meets Thursday mornings at 8am, at Skeet's Texas Grill in Merkel, Skeet's is located at exit #269 off I-20. What a great place to Interclub!

## SOMETHING ELSE

### Invitation:



*Mark Young  
And  
Twyla Marshall  
Invite you to share  
In their celebration of a new life together  
At the School House  
In Buffalo Gap Historical Village.  
The come and go reception  
Is from 3-5pm March 8, 2008  
Casual dress.*

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

### 2007-2008 OFFICERS

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