

# **K** *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* **KIWANIGRAM**



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

## OUR NEXT PROGRAM

### Vocational Guidance Program

On May 7, the Kiwanis Club of Abilene will recognize 27 outstanding students from the Vocational Program of Abilene Independent School District and award five scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. This is recognition of the excellent vocational program offered in AISD.

A special speaker, Cathy Ashby, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction will inform the club on the activities of the district, some of which may be enhanced by the upcoming bond issue election May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Cathy Ashby returned to AISD from Caldwell ISD where she served as Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Director of Curriculum. She has worked in AISD for 15 years as a teacher at Cooper High School and assistant principal at Franklin and Clack Middle Schools. She received her undergraduate degree from Hardin-Simmons University, her master's degree and mid-management certification from Abilene Christian University, and her superintendent certification from Texas A & M University. She is married to Phil Ashby, a school counselor and has two children, Carly Beth and Jay.

## **OPENING CEREMONY FOR 4/30/08**

**Carl Lockett** presided over the meeting. **Jamie Breed** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the prayer, **Russell Leavenworth** led the Pledge and **Russell Berry** introduced the program.

## **WHAT A MEETING!** April 30, 2008

### **The Education of a Voter**

On Saturday, May 10, the voters of Abilene have the opportunity to vote for or against two very important issues in our community. These issues were briefly addressed at the Kiwanis meeting on April 30. The city council has presented an issue to the voters of our community regarding the use of economic development monies for quality of life projects. The Abilene Youth Sports Authority has proposed using some of the economic development money to construct a Youth Sports Complex. Mike Walls, a local attorney, past president of the Kiwanis Club of Great Abilene and volunteer with the AYSA handed out brochures with information about the proposal and spoke about research and funding possibilities. Speaking on the other side of the issue was Ray Ferguson former city councilman, member on the Economic Development Board, and board member of West Central Texas Municipal Water District spoke to the issue of diluting funds from the TIF moneys which are now used to bring jobs to Abilene.

The four separate proposals in the AISD bond issue were addressed by Superintendent of AISD, Dr. David Polnick. Information and clarification of the issues were presented. All Kiwanians are encouraged to inform themselves about all sides of these issues and vote May 10. For more information please visit the website at [www.abileneisd.org](http://www.abileneisd.org). If you have additional questions that were not answered at the meeting go to [bond2008@abileneisd.org](mailto:bond2008@abileneisd.org).

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

John Thomas's daughter Emma will have surgery in Ohio on May 7th.  
J.R. Velasco's mother is having cancer treatments again.  
Jamie Breed's mother Grace Lacey is with Hospice Care.  
Bill Zavatson's wife Ginger will be having surgery.  
Nelda Wallace's husband Eric is having health problems.  
Nelda Wallace is having complications from an auto accident.  
Marilyn Ammerman, friend of Sheila Watts and Covenant Outreach staff.  
Joe Stillwell of Houston- President of the Past Lt. Gov. Assoc. passed away Apr 27 th  
Bob Carruth friend of Guinn Smith's died last week. Bob's son Chris died a few months ago.



Margaret Jolly\*\* Dorothy Dowell\*\*John Thomas's wife Erin\*\*Gary Bomar's wife Marcy\*\*  
Stanley Higgins\*\* Ted Ho\*\*Rosanna Herndon\*\* Nelda Wallace\*\*Billy Clay

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

#### SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE: "Making a Difference"

Praying that God will help us to make a difference in this world means we learn to get past ourselves and pursue a greater purpose. It's not that God doesn't want us to talk to him about it; it is that He doesn't want us to stop there. He wants us to do what it takes to make a difference. Becoming involved in Kiwanis is one way to make a difference in this world. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

#### PRESENTATIONS

A Kiwanis banner was presented from Dave Curry, the Kiwanis International President and his wife Eva. Kiwanis International Foundation has sent a certificate of recognition for a financial contribution made by Lora Lynn Christensen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Prayer Breakfast will be held May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 am at the Briarstone. Please sign up by the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### DENTON CHALLENGE

**Remember "152 it's up to you". Let's keep sharing our Kiwanis story with those we meet each day.**

#### ELECTIONS

By unanimous vote Mark Young was elected President Elect and Ricki Brown elected Treasurer for 2008-09. The nominating committee has proposed a slate consisting of: Jamie Breed, Charles Kirkpatrick and Randy Williams to serve as Vice President's for 2008 – 2009. At the meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup> nominations will be taken from the floor for the Vice Presidents – the member must have been a director or board member to serve in that capacity. The elections for the Vice Presidents will then be held.

## **SALVATION ARMY DISASTER TRAINING**

Reminder that Saturday, May 24, 2008 will be the next Salvation Army Disaster Training. Please register by May 17, 2008. The cost is \$10.00 per person and includes lunch and snacks. This course is entitled "Disaster Food Service: ServSafe"

**MEMBERSHIP** - The Brag Basket was not passed around this week.

## **PANCAKE DAY TICKET SALES**

David Bacon announced the ticket sales totals for the sixth week. The team with the highest ticket sales went to the Paddleball's/Blue team with \$1515.00. Second were the Hula Hoop's/Red team with \$1378.00. Third were the Yo Yo's/yellow team with \$1234.00. This week's grand total was \$4,127.00. So far this year's ticket sales have reached \$28,602.00.

**Luncheon Cup Money for April 30 2008 was \$50.62.**

## **GUESTS FOR 4/30/08**

**Sheila Watts** introduced the guests

<u>Guest</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Interclub</u>
John Tyson	Duane Shackelford	North Abilene Kiwanis Club - Virginia Mosier
Gaile Thompson & Cathy Ashby	Sharon Jones	Greater Club of Abilene - Lyndel Cook, Lydia Long,
John & Barbara Campbell	Caroline Lee	Nelson & Essie Wilson, George Woodfin
John Hill	Donald McDonald	
Levi Dowdy	Van Boozer	
Cameron Rinard	Ken Lenoir	
Carmen Martinez	Guinn Smith	
Wilson Medina & Ronnie Smith	Kenny Smith	
Marty Anderson	Mike Waters	
Earlene Clay	Billy Clay	

## **M E M B E R S H I P**

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Induction Date</u>
Kyle Brown	Chris Carnohan	10/03/07
Rob Welborn	Dub Pritchett	10/03/07
Leonard Brock	Caroline Lee	10/17/07-Transfer Member
Richard Reyna	Dub Pritchett	11/07/07
Andrew Cargile	John Thomas	11/07/07
A.C. Alrey	Carl Lockett	11/21/07-Transfer Member
Scott Frakes	Stanley Higgins	11/28/07
Marion "Lew" Lewis	Grady Jolly	1/16/08
Devhra BennettJones	Ricki Brown	1/23/08
Meredith Morgan	Kimberley Cole	3/12/08
Mark Powell	Kimberley Cole	3/12/08
Robert Allen	Nancy Miller	3/12/08
Matt Higgins	Jack Rentz	3/19/08
Stacy Appleton	Van Boozer	4/02/08
Doris Armstrong	Van Boozer	4/02/08
John Sharp	Jarrell Young	4/02/08
John Howard	Dub Pritchett	4/23/08
Becky Rynders	Lora Lynn Christensen	4/30/08



**Becky Rynders** is the newest member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. She is self employed and has written 17 genealogy related books that are in the Library of Congress. She is the mother of three grown children, Mark, Meghan and Angie and is the proud Grammy of Kaden. Becky is also the newly elected Administrative Secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.



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.**

### **BIRTHDAY - May 12**

Sheila Watts

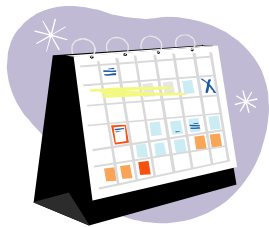
### **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

5/14/08-Pancake Day Wrap Up

5/21/08-Valedictorian, Salutatorian & Scholarship luncheon.

5/28/08-Celebration Singers Ladies Ensemble

*Programs are subject to change without notice.*



### **KIWANIS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**\*\*Make note of date change on Board Meeting & Program Committee**

**5/15/08 - Board Meeting, 12 noon at the Cotton Patch Restaurant.**

**5/22/08 – Program Committee Meeting – Briarstone**

6/26/08-6/29/08-International Convention in Orlando, Florida

8/7/08-8/10/08-Texas/Oklahoma District Convention in Amarillo, Texas

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

### **INTERCLUB**

Key City April 21 - Keith Garner

Key City May 1 – Keith Garner, Jeff Goodin, Grady Jolly and Donald McDonald

### **THANK YOU**

President Lockett presented flowers to Caroline Lee for serving as Administrative Assistant. Thanks Caroline for all of your hard work. Becky Rynders has been hired to fill her position.

Amanda McDermott manager of Red Lobster donated a \$50 gift certificate for the membership table at the Pancake Day.

## 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/ 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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