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



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Meetings are Wednesday at Noon

August 06 – Meet at the Abilene Woman's Club
August 13 – The membership will vote on the permanent meeting place.

Program Aug 6

A CUP OF COLD WATER

Have you ever been incredibly thirsty...and no clean water available? I suspect that few Americans have ever experienced this situation. Yet millions of people in Africa experience this almost daily. In Sub-Saharan Africa, there are few "bore holes," few impoundments, and almost no pure water for human consumption. Our speaker has seen villagers dig up to six feet into sand to capture seepage water from drinking and cooking!

Our program this next week will be presented by Gordon Dowell, a member to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Gordon's professional experience includes 37 years with USDA's Cooperative Extension System in a variety of positions, 6 years as Director of the McNair Scholar's Program at ACU, and 7 years as Administrative Manager at Global Samaritan Resources (GSR).

Gordon has made eleven trips to the African continent, eight of which have been to Zambia. Gordon's work, both on a personal level and as a representative of GSR has included assisting with a Medical Mission (held every July), conducting training in Sustainable Gardening utilizing Drip Irrigation, and Drilling Water Wells.



OPENING CEREMONY FOR 07/30/08

President Carl Lockett presided. **Kimberley Cole** led the prayer, **Jamie Breed** led the singing and **Millie Braddy** played the piano. **Sharon Jones** led the Pledge of Allegiance. Greeters: **Van Boozer** and **Keith Garner**.

President Lockett welcomes members to the Abilene Country Club.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Bill Zavatson's wife Ginger will be going in for testing next Wednesday, August 6.

Curtis Blackburn's daughter has cancer

Billy Clay, Ted Ho **To those not mentioned, our thoughts prayers are with you

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

Spiritual Aims Message: "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes"

I will lift up mine eyes. I will lift up mine eyes to life, that I may read the guideposts along my way and not miss the important turning in the road. I will lift up mine eyes to love, that I may not close the door of my heart to the knocking hand, the tender cry, the anxious reach. I will lift up mine eyes to God that I may meet His spirit not only in the high place, the great moment, the penetrating call, but also in the byways, the little duties, the stinging irritations and the sad and bottomless renunciations. And for me this is enough.

- From "Meditations of the Heart" by Howard Thurman

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. Psalm 121:1



July 30, 2008

David Bacon introduce
the program News Director-
KTAB/KRBC

Eric Thomas
GM of KTAB/KRBC



Eric Thomas, the General Manager of KTAB/KRBC TV tried to bring the Kiwanis Club of Abilene into the 21st century by explaining the government mandated change from analog to digital broadcasting. After February 17, 2009 television stations will no longer be allowed to broadcast analog signals. The government intends to sell the band width used in analog broadcasting to cellular phone companies. The switch to digital broadcasting will be very expensive for each television station (about \$3 million for KTAB/KRBC), but a lot less electricity will be used sending the digital signals.

A television owner who is receiving signals via cable or satellite has nothing to worry about. Nothing will change for them. Television owners who are using antennae will need a converter box. The government is making a \$40 voucher available to all who need one; the \$40 can buy a low end converter, or make a good down payment on a better model.

More information can be obtained at www.DTVanswers.com. Eric handed out two pages that had excellent explanations of what the "DTV" conversion is about and listing the advantages. High definition television is part of the improved signal, but not the only advantage.

MEMBERSHIP Brag Basket \$33.00 Lunch basket \$40.00

Valued member **Richard Reyna** will be moving to Lubbock, Texas for a job transfer the end of this month. Good luck **Richard** at your new store.

BIRTHDAY'S No birthday's this week

INTERCLUBS –

July 28 – Key City: Gordon Dowell, Keith Garner, Nancy Miller, Ken Poynor and Mark Young.

GUESTS FOR 07/30/2008

Billy Phillips introduced the guests:

Father Terry Brenon	Tom Aguilar
Karrie Leavenworth	Russell Leavenworth
Jerry Strader	Mike Waters
Patty Wenetschlaeger	Mike Waters
Chris Lavum	David Bacon
Eric Thomas - speaker	

M E M B E R S H I P

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Induction Date</u>
Lou Briley	Van Boozer	06/11/08
Zach Briley	Van Boozer	06/11/08

DENTON CHALLENGE

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

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

Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing

**Checks to Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation to qualify donation as a charitable deduction.

MEMBERS PLEDGING TO THE HENDRICK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

Rob Allen	Doris Armstrong	Rick Armstrong
Russell Berry	Curtis Blackburn	Gary Bomar
Van Boozer	Jamie Breed	Lou Briley
Zach Briley	Price Brock	Lora Lynn Christensen
Jerry Carter	James Cassle	Faye Dodson
Gordon Dowell	Lynda Fogerson	Keith Garner
Jeff Goodin	Jerry Harris	Stanley Higgins
John M. Howard	Margaret Jolly	Kelly Jones
Sharon Jones	Charles Kirkpatrick	Dennis Laster
Lew Lewis	Carl Lockett	J.C. McCurdy
Henry McGinty	Nancy Miller	Clinton Nix
Clarence Presswood	Dub Pritchett	Jack Rentz
James Shields	Kenny Smith	Mike Waters
Randy Williams	Doug Williamson	

Approximate money pledged to date is \$16,000.00

Bailey Choate Award for outstanding longtime service to our Kiwanis Club: nominations are due soon to the Club Secretary, **Faye Dodson**.

Community Service, Jamie Breed chairman asked that any nominations for the 1st Responder Award be given to her as soon as possible. Nominees can be from several surrounding counties and must be a first responder in emergency situations (fire fighter, police officer, EMT, etc.).

FUTURE PROGRAMS

August 13 Jack & Jill Maxwell and Rev. Mike Cope, Preaching and Painting

August 20 Christine Mallon, violin, Lora Lynn Christensen, piano

August 27 Four area high school coaches

*** Mark your calendars now for the Annual Celebration Banquet to be held Sept 30.

KIWANIS CALENDAR

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

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

Thank You

Tony McMillan, General Manager of the West Texas Expo Center acknowledged our Club's money contribution to the 2008 Texas State 4-H Horse Show. He expressed gratitude for the many hours that our Club's members worked the gates at the show. **Royce Manning** reported 17 Kiwanis Club of Abilene members volunteered 68 hours.

**Doris Armstrong
Jerry Carter
Sharon Jones
Donald McDonald
Mark Young**

**Rick Armstrong
Bud Coke
Charles Kirkpatrick
Clarence Presswood**

**Gary Bomar
Gordon Dowell
George Knight
James Shields**

**Zach Briley
Kelly Jones
Royce Manning
Jarrell Young**

2007-2008 OFFICERS

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

2007-2008 DIRECTORS

TWO YEARS		ONE YEAR	
Jamie Breed	J. R. Velasco	Charles Kirkpatrick	LuGene Lewis
Jerry Carter	Randy Williams	George Knight	Kenny Smith
John Thomas			

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