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



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THANKSGIVING PROGRAM **DR. JESSE C. FLETCHER**

Noon, Wednesday, November 19
Abilene Country Club

Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, President-Emeritus and former President (1977-1991) and Chancellor (1991-2001) of Hardin-Simmons University, has a long and distinguished career as scholar, educator, writer, administrator and churchman. Fletcher is married to the former Dorothy Jordan of Dallas. They have two children, Jordan Scott of Camden, Maine and Melissa Fletcher of Abilene, and five grandchildren.

He has worked with the Townes Chair of Bible at the University of Texas, the International Mission Board in Richmond, VA, senior minister of First Baptist Church of Knoxville, TN, and president of HSU from 1977-1991. He was elected to the General Council of the Baptist World Alliance, received the Baptist General Convention of Texas' George W. Truett Award for Religious Freedom, and was given their Elder Statesman Award for service to Christian higher education. He is an author and has served on many non-profit boards. He is an avid golfer, amateur astronomer, landscape painter, and holds a commercial pilot's license.



SPEAKERS
TEXAS-OKLAHOMA
GOVERNOR NANCY
MILLER (left) AND
DISTRICT 35 LT. GOV.
BILL HOOGSTRA AND
WIFE, MARGARET
(right)

November 12



President **Russell Berry** presided. **Don Riddle** led the prayer, **Don Scargill** led the singing of Patriotic Songs in memory of Veteran's Day. **Millie Braddy** played piano beautifully. **Russell Leavenworth** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Carl Lockett** introduced our guests.

Governor Nancy Miller has challenged us with "**JUST 1**" – one new member per member, one new club, division build new club this year. Nancy state, "*If I'm running this year! Follow Me!*"

Lt. Governor Bill Hoogstra reminded us of the 1994 World Wide Project to stamp out iodine deficiency and the success of the program. He expressed concerns that while membership is growing elsewhere, TX/OK District numbers continue to decrease. He encouraged us as a club to become involved with the Texas Ramp Project. He recognized several of our club members who are great examples of volunteers:

Glynn Hammons * Dennis Laster * Van Boozer * Roy Dent * J.C. McCurdy * Carolyn Lee

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for **Mark Young's** wife, **Don Paige** who will have surgery 11/12, **John Howard** recuperating from heart surgery, **Tom Allen's** family and the loss of their 24-yr-old son, **Don Riddle's** wife, and **Linda Dent** who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Spiritual Aims Message: *"Integrity"*

The third of the permanent objects of Kiwanis International, adopted June 1924, states "to promote the adoption and application of higher social, business and professional standards". That presupposes that we live as people of integrity. Modern folk live with many signed contracts and other documents that seem to assume that we are not people of integrity. In a complex society it seems that one's word and handshake are not expected to be trustworthy, without a loophole. It is important that as people who want to be part of the solution and not a part of the problem in our communities that we be people of our word. Integrity is not optional; it is the character trait that makes modern society function.

"Again you have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not swear falsely,' Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No': anything more that this comes from evil." Matthew 5:33-37

Cup Money - \$50.22



Brag Basket - \$15.00

BIRTHDAY'S

November 17 **Jerry C. Carter**
November 20 **Sharon Jones**



RECENT GUESTS – November 5, 2008

<u>GUEST</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>GUEST</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Jennifer Kent	John Thomas	Larry Taylor	Key City
Tammy Elliott	John Thomas	Kent Barnett	Key City
Julie Webb	Shirley Velasco	Bennie Rogers	Key City
Mike Kozelsky	Club Guest	David M Coker	Key City
Michelle Bateman	Club Guest	John Hewitt	Greater Abilene
Tammy Baxter	Club Guest	Bobbi Bieberly	Greater Abilene
Woody Gilliland	Club Guest	George Woodfin	Greater Abilene
Les Clampitt	Denton	Scott South	Greater Abilene
Jim Hardcastle	Denton	Fred Funk	Denton
		Nancy Miller	(Denton's 4 th)

INTERCLUBS: Members of our club participating in Interclubs to date is 52!

Downtown Abilene Club

Tuesday, November 11

Jack Rentz

Ken Lenoir

Stanley Higgins

Curtis Blackburn

Greater Abilene Club

Thursday, November 13

Curtis Blackburn

Keith Garner

Lu Gene Lewis

Ken Poynor

Matt Preston

NEW MEMBERS

Judd Powell

11/12/08

Returned former member!

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Nov 26 – Christine Mallon, violinist from HSU

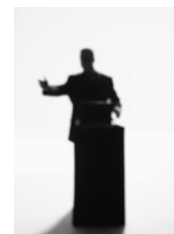
Dec 3 – WalMart Gift Ideas

Dec 10 - Woodson Hand Bell Choir, Kathy Taylor, Director, Arranger

Dec 17 - Spiritual Aims Program, George Knight

Dec 24 – No Meeting

Dec 31 – No Meeting





CLUB REMINDERS

Next Board Meeting! Board Meetings are scheduled the 2nd Tuesday of each month at noon Alley Cats. Next meeting will be December 9th!

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed for the Feast of Sharing event sponsored by HEB on December 9. Sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting.

Volunteers Needed: We need a Silent Auction Leader for Pancake Day (4/25/09). Please contact **Bill Hoogstra** for details.

Note: District 35 Lt Gov. **Bill Hoogstra** encourages each and every member to consider volunteering for this year's Angel Tree Project and Bell Ringer fundraiser through the Abilene Salvation Army. This is a great opportunity for members to give back to our community.

Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing

Goal \$50,000

48 MEMBERS PLEDGING TO THE HENDRICK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

Approximate money pledged to date

\$19,200.00

Amount collected to date

\$13,045.82

Amount needed to meet \$50,000 goal



\$30,800.00



Community Service Presentations: **Jamie Breed** presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 to Tammy Baxter and Woody Gilliland of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. **Don Scargall** presented a check for \$750 to Michelle Bateman and Mike Kozelsky of Reagan Elementary School.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE "MEALS ON WHEELS" COMMITTEE!



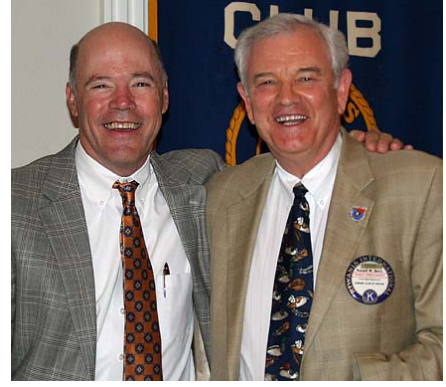
A service committee in which **every member** could play a part. Volunteers serve meals to those members of our community who would go hungry otherwise. Meals on Wheels is a program that delivers a hot lunch five days a week to almost 900 individuals in Abilene. Those who receive a meal are unable to prepare a meal for themselves either because of disabilities, illnesses, or financial needs.

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene currently has eleven members who either serve on the Meals on Wheels board and/or deliver meals. Those members are: **Russell Berry, Van Boozer, Glyn Hammons, Bill Hoogstra, Grady and Margaret Jolly, George Knight, Jack Rentz, Nell Sims, Doug Williamson, and Jarrell Young.**

Meal delivery only takes about an hour to an hour and a half, and a member may volunteer to deliver every day, once a week, once a month, or serve as a substitute driver. Please give this worthy program and worthwhile Kiwanis service project serious consideration. For more information please contact **Ken Lenoir** at 695-0674 or at kenlenoir@yahoo.com .



Clockwise: **Gordon Dowell** spoke to the club about a proposed "International Project" benefiting children outside the US. Immediate past-president **Carl Lockett** with a group from Denton. Fred Funk, President of the Denton, TX Kiwanis Club presented **Carl Lockett** with a check for \$300 as a result of our club's winning a "friendly competition" between the two clubs. **President Berry** introduced **Jud Powell** as our newest member.



2008-2009 OFFICERS

Russell Berry	President	Mark Young	President-Elect
Jamie Breed	Vice-President	Ricki Brown	Treasurer/Foundation Treasurer
Randy Williams	Vice President	Faye Dodson	Secretary
Charles Kirkpatrick	Vice President	Henry McGinty	Assistant Secretary
Carl Lockett	Immediate Past-President		

2008-2009 DIRECTORS

TWO YEARS

Ty Purcell Mac Sipe
 Shirley Velasco Kelly Jones
 Mark Hoover

ONE YEAR

Sharon Jones J.R. Velasco
 Jerry Carter John Thomas
 Lora Lynn Christensen

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