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



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CHRISTINE MALLON **VIOLINIST FROM HSU**

Noon, Wednesday, November 26
Abilene Country Club

Hardin Simons University Music Department will be well represented when Christine Mallon, violinist, and Marc Sanders, accompanist perform Brahms, De Falla and Bolcom pieces for violin and piano.

Ms. Mallon is a graduating senior, majoring in music performance. She was born in California and moved to Abilene in 1996. At HSU she has won the Ruth Skiles SAI Scholarship and the Kelly Nicole Marshall Scholarship. Her teacher is Dr. Peter Isaacson.

Marc Sanders was born in Mineral Wells and has lived in Fort Worth and Albany. He is a music business major at HSU, accompanies the HSU Concert Choir and Chorale and is a student accompanist for many vocalists and instrumentalists. He is the pianist at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church. He also plays organ and guitar. His instructor is Dr. Mark Puckett.

Invite guests for this wonderful noon-time concert.

THANKSGIVING PROGRAM **DR. JESSE C. FLETCHER** **November 19**

President **Russell Berry** presided. **Margaret Jolly** led the prayer, **Don Scargill** led the singing. **Millie Braddy** played piano. **Curtis Blackburn** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kelly Jones** introduced our guests.



Pictured: Spiritual Aims Committee Co-Chair **George Knight** introduced our speaker, Dr. Jesse Fletcher, who presented a special Thanksgiving message.

"Patience is the companion of wisdom." St. Augustine Berry

Dr. Jesse Fletcher spoke on the importance of remembering. In doing so, he shared several stories. He told us he knew he was "grown up" when he was ten-years-old and attended his first Kiwanis meeting with his dad. They lived in San Antonio at the time. Later in life, his son Scott was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Dr. Fletcher reflected on how special our memory is to us. He stated that "ultimate identity is memories we have and other have of us". Our memory is needed to remind us to be grateful. He encouraged us to "practice gratitude". Remember reasons for Thanksgiving and directed us to the history of the United States of America. We should remember to be thankful for our founding fathers and those who settled our country.

This Thanksgiving be thankful to be an American where we enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of Freedom.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for **Don Paige** who will have surgery 11/12, **John Howard** recuperating from heart surgery, **Linda Dent** who has been diagnosed with cancer, and **Merle Collins'** continued healing.

Spiritual Aims Message: "Success"

The end of each sport season reminds us that there is room at the top for only one. There will be one conference winner, one district winner, one regional winner and one state champion. College sports add a national winner. But, in being responsible citizens, neighbors and serving God, there are as many persons on the top of the podium as are willing to serve their fellow men.

"And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, 'If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all'." Mark 9:35

"You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you: but whoever would be great among you must be your servant and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all." Mark 13:42-44

Cup Money - \$56.38



Brag Basket - \$16.00

BIRTHDAY'S

December 9 **Curtis Blackburn**
December 9 **Gordon Dowell**
December 9 **Matt Preston**



RECENT GUESTS – November 19, 2008

<u>GUEST</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>GUEST</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Dr. Jesse Fletcher	Club Guest	John Fred Phillips	Greater Abilene
Linda Myers	Kimberly Cole	George Woodfin	Greater Abilene
Wendy Ramirez	Kimberly Cole	Lorne Sutherlin	Greater Abilene
Marvin Rossnagel	James Halmark	Nelson Wilson	Greater Abilene
Aleen Williams	Randy Williams	Essie Wilson	Greater Abilene
Shannon Early	Van Boozar		
Cleve Cullers	Key City		

INTERCLUBS:

Downtown Abilene Club

Tuesday, November 18

Gordon Dowell
Charles Kirkpatrick
Russell Berry
Roland Williams
Curtis Blackburn

Denton Club

Saturday, November 15

Bill Hoogstra
Margaret Hoogstra
Carl Lockett
Dick Kincaid
Nancy Miller
Faye Dodson

Greater Abilene Club

Thursday, November 20

A.C. Johnson
Grady Jolly
Margaret Jolly
Curtis Blackburn

MEMBERSHIP

Judd Powell 11/12/08 Returned former member!

Richard Reyna has resigned.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

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 again 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:

Jerry Carter, Chairman of the Boys and Girls committee, presented a \$1000 check to Jamie Breed, Executive director of Harmony Family Services. The funds will be used to help provide space in the emergency center for children needing a safe place to stay.



SPOTLIGHT ON THE "PUBLIC RELATIONS" COMMITTEE!



Doug Williamson chairs this important committee. The committee serves to present to our community through the media the activities of our club, primarily to engender interest for membership, but also to let the community know of all the good we do to help youth and adults. The committee also communicates our activities to Division 35 through the Ki-Notes. Other committee members are David Bacon, Melvin Martin, John Thomas and Tracie Willyard.

Keith Garner reports that as of now, we have had 55 individuals participate in 13 interclubs!

Tom Aguilar, Rob Allen, Rick Armstrong, David Bacon, Russell Berry, Curtis Blackburn, Gary Bomar, Van Boozer, Jamie Breed, Leonard Brock, Price Brock, Ricki Brown, Andrew Cargile, James Cassle, Lora Lynn Christensen, Kimberley Cole, Faye Dodson, Gordon Dowell, Gloria Fanous, Keith Garner, Jeff Goodin, James Hallmark, Glyn Hammons, Jack Harkins, Jerry Harris, W. R. Hawkins, Stanley Higgins, Bill Hoogstra, Margaret Hoogstra, Mark Hoover, Mike Jeter, Grady Jolly, Margaret Jolly, Kelly Jones, Sharon Jones, Richard Kincaid, Charles Kirkpatrick, Dennis Laster, Ken Lenoir, Lu Gene Lewis, Carl Lockett, Royce Manning, Carmen Martinez, Henry McGinty, Nancy Miller, Clinton Nix, Ken Poynor, Clarence Presswood, Matt Preston, Dub Pritchett, Jack Rentz, Guinn Smith, Randy Williams, Roland Williams, Doug Williamson, Jarrell Young



Left: Each meeting begins with a great meal prepared by Abilene Country Club chefs.

Right: **President Russell Berry** presides over the meeting.



Dear Kiwanis Club of Abilene:

THANK YOU for the generous donation of \$1,000 to help provide emergency shelter care for children and youth in Abilene. With your help, we are able to provide free care for local children and youth who are temporarily homeless or experiencing family crisis. I am proud to be part of the "greatest" Kiwanis Club in Abilene that so faithfully works to change our community one child at a time.

Blessings,
 Jamie Breed
 Executive Director

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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