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ABILENE POLICE DEPARTMENT S.W.A.T. JOHN CLARK, and AG SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS, GARY BOMAR

**Noon, Wednesday, July 15
Abilene Country Club**

John Clark has been in Law Enforcement a total of 18 years, 14 years with Abilene Police Department and 7 years with the SWAT team. He is also a detective for the Fraud Investigation Dept.



EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR COUNTY

Randy Williams, County Commissioner July 8

President **Charles Kirkpatrick** presided. **Bill Hoogstra** led the prayer, **Mark Young** led the singing. **Millie Braddy** played piano. **Hendry McGinty** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Van Boozar** introduced our guests.

Lora Lynn Christensen introduced our own Kiwanis Club of Abilene member, **Randy Williams**, as the speaker today. Randy, who is the Taylor County Commissioner, presented a very interesting program titled "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about Your County."

He posed questions to the audience such as: What precinct do you live in? Who is your County Commissioner? What does the County Commissioner do? At that point, Randy took us through some of his daily responsibilities, which include but are not

limited to the following: overseeing facilities in the county such as the Taylor County Coliseum, county roads, and county barns. He even has the challenge of bringing in loose animals and has had the adventure of chasing goats or herding cattle.

In addition, Randy's role as county commissioner provides him the opportunity to communicate with people in the community, whether it is at a community store or in homes. This allows him to learn the needs of the communities and to serve the people better.

Randy's collection of ideals and virtues one must constantly strive to live up to include:

- What have I learned? That I have much to learn and will do what I can to find the answer.
- Always speak the truth!
- Come to the job daily with a servants heart
- Respect every person
- Personally deal with complaints
- Know current events and issues
- Communicate



And in conclusion, it's important to be honest, sometimes that means telling people what they need to know, not what you may think they want to hear. Charles thanked Randy for an informative presentation and announced that we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club Foundation in his honor for scholarships.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

July 22 - Archaic Laws Still on the Books and Other Humor in the Justice System, Judge Wheeler

July 29 - Teen Challenge – Putting Youth Back on Track through Discipline, Chris Jones



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for **Clarence Presswood** who is improving. Pray for **J.C. McCurdy's** wife, Arlene. Pray for Earlene and **Billy Clay**, who have moved to Royal Estates. Also pray for **Sharon Jones** and Ruby Coke. Pray for Dennis Tarrant at First Financial Bank, who underwent surgery for colon cancer. Pray for the family of John Polk, who passed away on July 7.

Update: Caroline Lee and Bill Hoogstra visited Clarence in room 430 at Wesley Court this past week. He looked good and says that his most recent evaluation suggests he should look forward to being released about two weeks from now. His physical therapy seems to be going well and we both urged him to get well soon.

Spiritual Aims Message: "Serving Our Community"

Last Wednesday Randy Williams told us the many facets of his new enterprise as County Commissioner for Precinct 1. For the tasks he faced, he spoke of various characteristics he needs in order to faithfully fulfill his job. Among those was a "servant's heart." Is that not what all Kiwanians must have in order to serve and protect the children of our community? The "servant model" is a major teaching of the New Testament, both for Jesus in his mission and for the disciples who followed him. In Mark's gospel Jesus told the disciples that they were not to lead as non-believers did, by force and power. Instead, the leader would be the servant and He would be their example. Thanks Randy, for showing us that some public servants understand that principal and we are to commit to that in our business as Kiwanians.

"And Jesus called them to him and said to them, '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 slave of all. For the Son of Man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'" Mark 10:42-45

Cup Money - \$35.24



Brag Basket - \$4.00

BIRTHDAYS

July 15
July 19

J.C. McCurdy
Donald McDonald



INTERCLUBS

Key City Club

Monday, July 6
Linda Fogerson
Keith Garner
Stan Higgins
Donald McDonald
Robert Pollan

Division 35 Council

Tuesday, July 7
Nancy Miller
Bill Hoogstra
Gordon Dowell
Carl Lockett
Faye Dodson
Bobbie Wolfe

Greater Abilene

Thursday, July 9
Chris Carnohan
Kristen Carnohan
Keith Garner
Jerry Harris
David Jones
Donald McDonald



Kiwanis International Convention at Nashville:

Thursday, June 25	Friday, June 26
Russell Berry	Russell Berry
Bill Hoogstra	Bill Hoogstra
Dick Kincaid	Dick Kincaid
Carl Lockett	Carl Lockett
Nancy Miller	Nancy Miller

This brings our total interclubs to **81** for the 2008-2009 Kiwanis year, with **95** individuals participating in at least one interclub.



Kiwanis Meeting Photos: Randy Williams and his daughter Cara Dowdy. Former club secretary Caroline Lee visiting with **Keith Garner**. **Bud Coke** brought his granddaughter Haley Coke as his guest.

Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing Goal \$50,000

48 MEMBERS PLEDGING TO THE HENDRICK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

**Approximate Money Pledged to Date
Shootout 2009**

Addl Shootout Funds 2009

Amount Collected to Date

Amount Needed to Meet \$50,000 Goal

Still Needed to Reach Goal



\$19,200.00
\$2,500.00
\$3,975.48
\$21,425.35
\$28,574.65
\$26,883.00

RECENT GUESTS – July 8, 2009

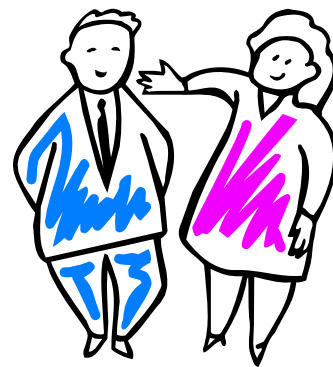
GUEST

Alex Martinez
Brad Campbell
Cara Dowdy
Haley Coke
Caroline Lee
George Woodfin
Mary Rodriguez
Nancy Baker
Bobbi Bieberly

GUEST OF

Carmen Martinez
David Bacon
Randy Williams
Bud Coke

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NEW MEMBERS

Tara Castille	6/24/09	Marty Anderson
Robert Pollan	5/20/09	Russell Berry/Dennis Laster
Jerry Zikmund	4/22/09	LuGene Lewis
Nelson Sparks	4/15/09	LuGene Lewis
Brice West	4/15/09	Guinn Smith
Cassie Santiago	4/08/09	Bobbie Wolfe

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTES

- ✚ **The 2009 TX-OK Convention** is being hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Rockwall, Texas, August 6th through August 9th.
- ✚ **Celebration Tuesday** – September 29!
- ✚ **Club Leadership Assignments:** Vice-President **Charles Kirkpatrick** will moderate the board meeting on July 14 at Alley Cats. Vice President **Randy Williams** will moderate the club meeting on July 15. Contact Charles or Randy with any items that need to be included for either of these meetings while Russell is away.
- ✚ **Gary Bomar** announced the upcoming Texas State 4-H Horse Show at the Taylor County Expo Center July 25th and 26th. Gate Keepers are needed. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables next week or volunteers can go to www.taylorcountyexpoctr.com and sign up.
- ✚ **BOARD Meeting:** Tuesday, July 14th, at Alley Cats located downtown. We start at 12:00 noon.
- ✚ Check out the **Kiwanis Calendar** on the website: www.abilenekiwanis.org also go to www.kiwanisclubofabilene.shutterfly.com and see some great pictures.
- ✚ **Key City Club** has moved their weekly meeting permanently to Sharon's BBQ
- ✚ It's time to begin thinking about leadership roles for 2009-2010. Contact **Mark Young** if you have a desire to chair a committee.

Calling Kiwanians to ACTION for the new **Aktion Club** at Abilene State School! **John Thomas**, Chair and single member of the **Aktion Club Committee** is in need of volunteers to help get organized. **Requirements for the positions:** Open minds, lots of patience, and willingness to get involved. Contact John for details – 325-695-5020. Plans are to kick off the new club in October 2009.

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 Dick Kincaid
Jerry Carter John Thomas
Lora Lynn Christensen

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