

## **TEEN CHALLENGE – PUTTING YOUTH BACK ON TRACK THROUGH DISCIPLINE TROY CLAWSON**

**Noon, Wednesday, July 29  
Abilene Country Club**

Troy Clawson is the Men's Director at Teen Challenge. Their Mission Statement is to evangelize people who have life controlling problems and to initiate the Christian discipleship training to the point where the individual can function as a Christian in society, applying spiritually motivated, Biblical principles to relationships in the family, local church, chosen vocation and community. Teen Challenge endeavors to help the people become mentally sound, emotionally balanced, socially adjusted, physically well and spiritually alive.

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## **ARCHAIC LAWS STILL ON THE BOOKS AND OTHER HUMOR IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM JUDGE THOMAS WHEELER**

**July 22**

President **Russell Berry** presided. **James Hallmark** led the prayer, **Mark Young** led the singing. **Millie Braddy** played piano. **Earl Williams** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Lora Lynn Christensen** introduced our guests.

**Chris Carnahon** introduced Judge Thomas Wheeler as our speaker. Judge Wheeler serves Taylor County as the Presiding Judge of the 350th District Court.

Judge Wheeler presented a lighthearted program as he communicated numerous intriguing laws on the books, not only in the United States, but around the world. He stated that when Moses came down from the mountain, he had two tablets which contained ten laws. The laws were very clear and not subject to interpretation. Along came the Israelites who added "supplements" governing every aspect of people's lives.

As time progresses, we continue to "supplement" the laws of the land. Judge Wheeler went on to share many laws of which a sample is listed below:

**Italy:** Men could be arrested for wearing a woman's skirt.  
**China:** To apply for college and not be intelligent is unlawful.  
**France:** It is unlawful to name a pig Napoleon.

### **United States:**

**Alabama:** Illegal to sell peanuts after sundown on Wednesday.  
**California:** Illegal to ride a bicycle in a swimming pool if the pool is full of water.  
**Oklahoma:** Whale hunting is illegal.  
**Alaska:** It is against the law to push moose out of an airplane.  
**Illinois:** It is illegal to continue eating in a restaurant if the restaurant is on fire.  
**Texas:** It is legal to drive a vehicle without a windshield; however, it is illegal to drive a vehicle without windshield wipers!

**Abilene, Texas:** It is illegal to stand idle or loiter for the purpose of flirting!

Needless to say, this was definitely a fun program! Russell thanked Judge Wheeler for sharing and announced that a donation would be made to the Kiwanis Club Foundation for scholarships in his honor.

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**Judge Thomas Wheeler**

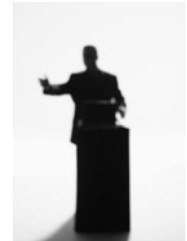


**Special Guest:** Governor **Nancy Miller** introduced Lt. Governor John Paul Batrice, from Lubbock, Division 7. Lt Governor John Paul, originally from Nazareth, Israel, learned his trade of "clock doctor" in Germany. He is known as the Clock Doc and a member of the Kiwanis Club of Lubbock Downtown. Lt. Governor spoke briefly sending greetings from Division 7. He stated that membership for their club grew, not because of the President, but because the membership grew the membership. He stated that from his brief observation, the Kiwanis Club of Abilene had the three main ingredients to grow our club: Great Club, Great Facility and Great Food!

Thank you for coming today Lt. Governor John Paul.

## **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

- August 05** – Tommy O'Brian, City of Abilene: Cedar Ridge and Water Development for Abilene's future
- August 12** – Dr. Thomas Kim, McMurry University: Korea from the Beginning
- August 19** – High School Football Coaches: Are ya ready for some football?
- August 26** – Jamison Priest, Music Duo: Folk/acoustic music; guitar/voice.



## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray for **Clarence Presswood** who is improving. Pray for **J.C. McCurdy's** wife, Arlene. Pray for **Bill Zavatson's** son, Michael. Pray for Earlene and **Billy Clay**, who have moved to Royal Estates. Also continue to pray for Ruby Coke.

### **Spiritual Aims Message: God Promises Enough**

We as modern Americans have many desires. Sometimes those can be listed as material possessions or professional goals or personal or spiritual goals. Our current life situation is in a time of plenty. While we may complain about the cost of fuel, groceries, utilities, medicines, or taxes and governmental policies, or our retirement investments or the multitude of matters that concern us, we still live in a time of plenty. When we stop and count the ways that our lives are marked, not just enough, but by plenty, we should be amazed. To recognize that God has so blessed us with so much in terms of opportunity, resources, liberty, friends, and much more; we should be serving better and encouraging more.

Isaiah, the prophet, spoke to Israel when they lacked most of those blessings and reminded them that God could be depended on with what they needed and when they needed it, from the least to the most important issues.

*"Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."* Isaiah 40:28-31

### **Gumball Report**

By Earl Williams



**1195** Machines Read  
**\$379.56** collected  
**\$239,065.36** collected to date!

We have 1,195 machines in operation!

Cup Money - \$22.65



Brag Basket - \$6.00

## **BIRTHDAYS**

- July 29      **John Snapp**
- August 03      **Dennis Laster**
- August 04      **Devin Stewart**
- August 05      **Faye Dodson**
- August 05      **Bill Hoogstra**



## INTERCLUBS

**Key City Club**  
Monday, July 20  
**Gary Bomar**  
**James Cassle**  
**Keith Garner**  
**Ken Lenoir**  
**Jack Rentz**

**Greater Abilene**  
Thursday, July 23  
**Van Boozer**  
**Keith Garner**  
**Pete Oldham**  
**H.B. Terry**

This brings our total interclubs to **86** for the 2008-2009 Kiwanis year, with **97** individuals participating in at least one interclub.



**Faces of Kiwanis:** **Lora Lynn Christensen** introduced the guests. **Chris Carnohan** introduced the speaker. **Mark Young** led the singing. **James Hallmark** led the opening prayer. **Russell Berry** was back and presided over the meeting.

## 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

Add 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 22, 2009

### GUEST

Essie Wilson  
Nelson Wilson  
George Woodfin  
Lorne Sutherlin  
Roma Howard  
John Paul Batrice  
Rosemary Choate  
Charles Anderson  
Gary Rhodes  
Jody Kent

### GUEST OF

Greater Abilene  
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George Woodfin/Greater Abilene  
**Nancy Miller**  
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**Doug Williamson**  
**Ken Poynor**  
**Jennifer Kent**



*Don Henderson*

## NEW MEMBERS

**Don Henderson**    7/22/09  
**Tara Castille**    6/24/09  
**Robert Pollan**    5/20/09  
**Jerry Zikmund**    4/22/09  
**Nelson Sparks**    4/15/09  
**Brice West**        4/15/09  
**Cassie Santiago**   4/08/09

**James Hallmark**  
**Marty Anderson**  
**Russell Berry/Dennis Laster**  
**LuGene Lewis**  
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**Guinn Smith**  
**Bobbie Wolfe**

**NEW MEMBER PRESENTED:** **James Hallmark** introduced **Don Henderson** as our newest member. Don is actually a returning member, originally joining the club in February 2005. He is retired from the USAF, having served in World War II. Welcome Back Don!



**Pictured: Henry McGinty** presented President-elect **Mark Young** with a check for \$32,700 which was the grand total for Pancake Day and Silent Auction. Rosemary Choate, widow of Bailey Choate, was a guest of T-O Governor **Nancy Miller**, shown here with **Henry McGinty** and **Bill Zavatson**. **Jennifer Kent** brought her husband Jody as her guest.



## 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!
- ✚ **Gary Bomar** announced the upcoming Texas State 4-H Horse Show at the Taylor County Expo Center July 25th and 26th. **LOTS** of Gate Keepers are needed. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables next week or volunteers can go to <http://taylor-tx.tamu.edu/> web site. Click on the link that says '09 State 4-H Horse Show Volunt.
- ✚ It's time to begin thinking about leadership roles for 2009-2010. Contact **Mark Young** if you have a desire to chair a committee.

## 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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