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ARE YA READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL? Abilene High School Coaches

**Noon, Wednesday, August 19
Abilene Country Club**

It is now a tradition in our club each year at this time to invite the four football coaches in town to give us a prospectus for their up-coming season, and what we can anticipate from the student/athletes who participate in football.

Coach Steve Warren has been the head football coach at Abilene High for 14 years, and has a sterling reputation as a successful coach and leader of young men. AHS has had some excellent state-recognized athletes for the past several years, and this year is no exception.

Coach Mark Coley starts his 3rd year as head coach at Abilene Christian High School. He has been associated with ACHS for the past 7 years. ACHS has the state-wide reputation as one of the best private 6-man football programs in the state.

Coach Mike Spradlin is the head football coach at Cooper High School, and with last year's success in a new division, they have high expectations for a good season this year. They have several all-district returning lettermen who will serve to achieve those high expectations.

Coach Hugh Sandifer of Wylie High School is starting his 30th year as a coach in the Wylie ISD, 23 of those years he has been the head football coach, and over that span has the enviable record of 199 wins, 78 losses, and 4 ties. This year he will win his 200th game! In the toughest district in the state in their classification, the Bulldogs are seldom embarrassed on the field.

For the football junkie, the Sports Alliance Committee is planning a series of games for the last weekend of August, including a game involving Abilene Christian University. Gary Grubbs, a representative of that Championship Classic, will also be present to visit with about those plans.

Please don't miss this exciting program presentation that involves and impacts thousands of boys and girls in our community and consider bringing a prospective member.

KOREA FROM THE BEGINNING, DR. THOMAS KIM August 12

President **Russell Berry** presided. **Mark Hoover** led the prayer, **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the singing. **Millie Braddy** played piano. **Zach Briley** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Lou Briley** introduced our guests.

Jerry Harris introduced Dr. Thomas Kim, professor at Hardin Simmons University and former President of McMurry University, as our speaker today. Dr. Kim thanked us for having him and complimented the group for the warm greetings heard throughout the room, pointing out that he heard "I'm glad you got to see me today" from those around him.

Dr. Kim described the location of Korea stating it resembles a bunny rabbit on the map. Korea is near China, surrounded by the mainland of China on the west and Japan (the shark) on the east. Korea is one country with one language and one history. The country cannot be divided even with a wall. He stated it would be like separating Abilene with a wall to keep the north side of town completely separated from the south side. It will not work! The wall was a "stupid decision and granted stupid results." He gave an extremely interesting presentation of the history of Korea from 1935 through today, including the impact war had on his family. He told a particularly moving story regarding his two younger brothers who were taken to prison. Their mother had told them that no matter what happened, to remember "Jesus Saves". The young boys remembered this and mumbled "Jesus Saves" "Jesus Saves" over and over again. Guards didn't know what to do with them so they sent them away from the camp. The boys walked home. Dr. Kim stressed the importance of solving problems within our own borders. He concluded by stating he was proud to be a citizen of the United States of America. Be proud and be loyal to your country.

Russell thanked Dr. Kim and announced that a donation would be made to the Kiwanis Club Foundation for scholarships in his honor.



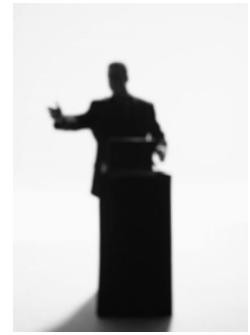
Cup Money - \$36.25



Brag Basket - \$0.00

FUTURE PROGRAMS

- August 26** – Jamison Priest, Music Duo: Folk/acoustic music; guitar/voice.
September 2 – First Responder Award and Volunteer Firefighter Program
September 9 – Dr. Ron Smith & Dr. Robert Sellers, Baptist/Muslim Convocation, Boston, Massachusetts
September 16 – Bobbie Wolfe's South African Safari
September 23 – Judge Williams
September 29 – Celebrations Banquet
September 30 – No meeting Wednesday at noon.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for **Clarence Presswood** who is back at Hendrick. Pray for **J.C. McCurdy's** wife, Arlene. Pray for Earlene and **Billy Clay**, who have moved to Royal Estates. Also continue to pray for **Bud Coke's** wife, Ruby. Pray for **Carl Lockett's** great niece who is on a waiting list for a lung transplant. Pray for **Henry McGinty**, who fell two weeks ago. Pray for **Jerry Harris** who is undergoing tests. Continue to pray for our men and women in the military.

Spiritual Aims Message: The Small Things

Religious folk seem to wonder about God from time to time and attempt to place some figure, appearance, or form on Him. The temptation is to phrase His presence in terms of power, or strength, or threat. In the passage today Elijah has been frightened and discouraged and in such a state of mind requested God to appear to him in His great power. After each experience of power and destruction Elijah did not find God until the quietness of the moment. Many times we find God in the most unexpected experiences of life.

Always be prepared.

1 Kings 19:11-13 *"And he said 'Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord'. And behold the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said 'What are you doing here, Elijah?'"*

NEW MEMBERS

David Vela	8/5/09	Lou Briley
Don Henderson	7/22/09	James Hallmark
Tara Castille	6/24/09	Marty Anderson

BIRTHDAYS

August 20	Price Brock
August 20	Margaret Hoogstra
August 21	Ricki Brown
August 22	Nelson Sparks
August 22	J. R. Velasco
August 23	Leonard Brock
August 25	Billy G. Clay
August 25	Clay R. Copeland



ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTES

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INTERCLUBS

Key City

Monday, August 10
Roy Dent
Keith Garner
Jeff Goodin
Bill Hoogstra
Mark Hoover
Richard Kincaid
Donald McDonald

Greater Abilene

Thursday, August 13
David Bacon
Keith Garner
Kirk Hancock
Bill Hoogstra
Mark Hoover
Mark Young

T/O Convention

10 Interclubs
 August 7 & 8
Russell Berry
Faye Dodson
Gordon Dowell
Bill Hoogstra
Margaret Hoogstra
Nancy Miller

This brings our total interclubs to **100** for the 2008-2009 Kiwanis year, with **97** individuals participating in at least one interclub.



FACES OF KIWANIS: President **Russell Berry** gave a report of the T-O convention and announced that the club won awards for the Kiwanigram and for Interclub participation. **Jerry Harris** introduced the program. **Lou Briley** introduced the guests. **Mark Hoover** led the opening prayer.

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 – August 12, 2009

GUEST

Jack Morgan
 Beverly Lenoir
 Frances Williamson
 Brittanie Kleiner
 Keith Shahan

GUEST OF

Guinn Smith
Ken Lenoir
Doug Williamson
Dub Pritchett
Jack Rentz

GUEST

David Watkins
 Gary Jay
 George Woodfin
 Bobbie Bieberly

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The **TX/OK District Convention** was held in Rockwall August 7 and 8th. The Kiwanis Club of Abilene is one club of 335 in the district. **Russell Berry** presented awards to the club for 2nd place in Interclubs through 6/30/09, and Honorable Mention for our newsletter. Those attending from the Kiwanis Club of Abilene were **Nancy Miller, Bill Hoogstra, Margaret Hoogstra, Russell Berry, Gordon Dowell and Faye Dodson**. Abilene will host the 2010 convention. There will be lots of opportunity to be involved.

Membership Update: We currently have 117 members due to 5 recent deletions. We have 60 points toward being named as a distinguished club. To reach this goal we must increase our membership by at least one more than we had at the beginning of the year (October 1st). We need to have 127 members by 9/30/09. The more members we have, the more hands are available to work at "Doin' something for somebody else".



Picture Perfect: Kiwanis members had a regular route delivering Meals on Wheels. (Doug Williamson and Jerry Carter not pictured.) The Meals on Wheels committee added one new route this year. Approximately 15 folks from this committee were present. Great Job! **Ken and Beverly Lenoir** also celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary. **Doug and Frances Williamson** celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary.



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your kind donation to our General Fund. The 8,000 meals we serve each month, rental and utility assistance we give. The 132 beds we provide for homeless men, women and children each night, as well as our many social service programs are possible because of gifts like yours.

Thank you for helping us help others. God Bless.

Sincerely,

Major James Parrish
Commanding Officer
The Salvation Army



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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