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FIRST RESPONDER AWARD AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

**Noon, Wednesday, September 2
Abilene Country Club**

The Annual Melvin Martin First Responder Award will be presented during today's meeting.

Presenting the program for The Volunteer Firefighter will be Gary B. Young. Mr. Young lives in Tuscola. He is married to Janel, has two children and three grandchildren. He is the owner of YO Enterprises

Mr. Young has served in a variety of volunteer services including R.E.A.C.T. past president, Deputy Sheriff (reserve) Brazos County, Abilene/Taylor County Hazard Mitigation Committee, Abilene/Taylor County 911 Board past president, Big Country Fire Fighters Association past president, Taylor County Homeland Security Fund Expenditure Committee, Big Country Fire Fighters Fund Expenditure Committee, Big Country EMMAUS Community, Elm Valley Community Church trustee, ECCA VFD Fire Chief for 19 years, and Taylor County Rural Fire Committee Chairman for 15 years.

JAMISONPRIEST, MUSIC DUO August 26

President **Russell Berry** presided. **Governor Nancy Miller** led the prayer, **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the singing. **Millie Braddy** played piano. **Bill Zavatson** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kimberley Cole** introduced our guests.

Governor Nancy Miller introduced Governor Designee for 2009-2010, Bill Bishop from Bandera County Kiwanis Club. Bill shared a few comments with the club, stating it was great to see the wonderful excitement from the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. He mentioned the TX/OK District Convention coming to Abilene in 2010, and the work taking place to be ready. Bill is in the area to help start a new club in Breckenridge, which is being co-sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Abilene and Greater Abilene Club. On that note, contact **Russell Berry** or **Keith Garner** if you can help with this venture.

Lora Lynn Christensen introduced JamisonPriest. Ed Priest and Jenni Jamison presented an excellent folk music program. Their special harmony was certainly a delight to those present as they performed songs that either Ed or Jenni had written. This extremely talented duo provided a wonderful program of folk music. A favorite piece, *Three Quarter Time*, was dedicated to President Elect, **Mark Young** and his lovely wife Twyla; and as shared by Ed Priest was a song sung by JamisonPriest at Mark and Twyla's wedding. The program concluded with a wonderful song by the name of "*Eternal Song of Joy*". The tune and words are catchy and a great reminder of the peace, love and joy we enjoy daily as we serve the Lord by serving others.



Russell thanked JamisonPriest for coming and announced that a donation would be made to the Kiwanis Club Foundation for scholarships in their honor.

Cup Money - \$38.91



Brag Basket - \$64.00

FUTURE PROGRAMS

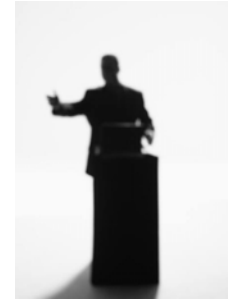
September 9 – Dr. Ron Smith & Dr. Robert Sellers, Baptist/Muslim Convocation, Boston, Massachusetts

September 16 – Bobbie Wolfe's South African Safari

September 23 – Judge Joseph Williams, "Who Do You See in the Mirror?"

September 29 – Celebrations Banquet

September 30 – No meeting Wednesday at noon.



Russell acknowledged the great job the Program Committee led, by **Lora Lynn Christensen**, for the past two years has done. Members of the committee were asked to stand to be recognized. Russell stated that the fantastic programs presented from week to week could not be matched with any other Kiwanis Club. Thank you for doing a Great Job Program Committee!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for **Clarence Presswood**. Pray for **J.C. McCurdy's** wife, Arlene. Pray for Earlene and **Billy Clay**. Continue to pray for **Bud Coke's** wife, Ruby. Pray for **Jerry Harris** who was diagnosed with early stages of Parkinson Disease. Continue to pray for our men and women in the military.

Spiritual Aims Message: Be An Example

Sometimes an opportunity or a request for some task comes to us when we feel that we do not have the time or the energy to respond. We ask ourselves whether this is a place we want to invest ourselves. The response that we make may not be determined by our energy, time or other external considerations. Some things need our activity because they are the right thing to do and set the best example for our children or friends and hopefully for future generations of Kiwanis members.

"For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, we did not eat any one's bread without paying, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not burden any of you. It was not because we have not that right, but to give you in our conduct an example to imitate." II Thessalonians 3: 7-9

NEW MEMBERS

David Vela 8/5/09
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 4/8/09
Manuel Longoria 3/18/09
Pete Oldham 3/4/09
Jimmie Monhollon 1/28/09
Kirk Hancock 1/21/09
Jennifer Kent 11/3/08
Jud Powell 11/12/08

Lou Briley
James Hallmark
Marty Anderson
Russell Berry and Dennis Laster
LuGene Lewis
LuGene Lewis
Guinn Smith
Bobbie Wolfe
Guinn Smith
Guinn Smith/Faye Dodson
Russell Berry/Jeff Goodin
Clarence Presswood
John Thomas
Russell Berry



BIRTHDAYS

September 6 **Jennifer Kent**
 September 9 **Margaret Jolly**



INTERCLUBS

Key City

Monday, August 24

Ricky Brown
Keith Garner
Jeff Goodin
Grady Jolly
Donald McDonald
Matt Preston

Greater Abilene

Thursday, August 20

Jim Berry
Devhra Bennett-Jones
Keith Garner
Bill Hoogstra
Clinton Nix
Ken Poyner
John Snapp

This brings our total interclubs to **104** for the 2008-2009 Kiwanis year, with **104** individuals participating in at least one interclub.



Program Pics: Program chairman, **Lora Lynn Christensen**, with Jenni Jamison of JamisonPriest. Jenni Jamison sings and plays guitar with JamisonPriest. Ed Priest sings, plays guitar, and writes songs for JamisonPriest.

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



\$19,200.00

\$2,500.00

\$3,975.48

\$21,639.80

\$28,360.20

RECENT GUESTS – August 26, 2009

GUEST

Governor Designate
 Bill Bishop
 Twyla Young
 Crystal Hickerson
 Mike McGrew
 Pam McGrew
 Johnny Robinson
 Larry Taylor
 Caroline Lee

GUEST OF

Club Guest
Mark Young
Mark Young
Doug Williamson
Doug Williamson
 Key City Club
 Key City Club
John Thomas

GUEST

Ron Colwell
 Evalin McClain
 Nelson Wilson
 Lorne Sutherlin
 David Watkins
 George Woodfin
 Richard Melton
 Carl Brown

GUEST OF

Dennis Laster
Carl Lockett
 Greater Abilene
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Faces of Kiwanis: President-elect **Mark Young** brought his daughter Crystal Hickerson and his wife Twyla as his guests. T-O Governor, **Nancy Miller**, with the incoming Governor, Bill Bishop of Bandera.

AKTION CLUB

The new ***Aktion Club*** committee will begin meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning September 8th at 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. We'll meet at the Oakwood Trails Lodge on the State School campus. We're working with the Friday Club, who will help support the Aktion Club. We have 6 members for the committee at this time: 3 from the Friday Club, 3 from ours. We need at least 2 more members. Contact **John Thomas** to get involved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTES

Celebration Tuesday – September 29!

Check out the **Kiwanis Calendar** on the website: www.abilenekiwanis.org also go to www.kiwanisclubofabilene.shutterfly.com and see some great pictures.

Workers are needed for the ***West Texas Fair and Rodeo***. Contact Royce Manning to sign up.

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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