

K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* KIWANIGRAM



SPIRITUAL AIMS MEETING WITH CHRISTMAS MUSIC Abilene Country Club, Noon, December 9

We will be having a musical program provided by members of the club.

Don Scargall will be singing "All Is Well".

Jamie Breed, Faye Dodson & Robin Roberts will be singing "Holiday Sleigh Ride".

David Jones, violinists

Alex Martinez (Carmen's daughter) and Shane Flupsch (AHS) are performing a medley of "O Come O Come Emmanuel, God Rest Merry Gentlemen", and "Let There Be Peace On Earth".

Randy Williams is singing "Mary Did You

Know". We will finish with some general Christmas type Carols.



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Upcoming:

Division 35 Council Meeting will be held at the Cotton Patch, December 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Committee News can be included in the Kiwanigram. Contact John Thomas at john@cgspace.com.

Regular Board Meeting will be Thursday, December 17th at Bogie's at noon.

Aktion Club meets Tuesday, December 15th at Oakwood Trails.

Breckenridge Interclub is scheduled for Thursday noon, December 17th.

Check out our website:

www.abilenekiwanis.org

WALMART GIFT IDEAS December 2



David Cunningham, Santa's helper at Walmart.

Kimberley Cole introduced David Cunningham, Nancy Fisher, and Angela Rodriguez from Walmart today. As has become the anticipated tradition, the three "Santa's helpers" presented many great gift ideas for those on our Christmas shopping list. Those items ranged from

binoculars, power drills and all sorts of electronic gadgets. Not to mention jewelry, train sets, TV's and toys for all ages. Winners of the random drawings were: Don Henderson, Chris Carnohan, Kristen Carnohan, Jim Miller, Royce Manning, Nancy Miller, Carl Lockett, Ricki Brown, Jack Rentz, Mike Casey, Jean Casey, Ken Poynor, and Zach Briley,

If you need a sweet treat or a warm cup of chocolate contact these folks. I'm sure they might be willing to share! Oh, and those Crazy "Elf or Santa's hats went to none other than Don Riddle, Randy Williams and Lora Lynn Christensen.

Mark Young thanked the group for a fun program and stated we would



Nancy Fisher and Angela Rodriguez were guests of the club.

make a contribution to the Kiwanis Foundation for Scholarships in their honor.

Today's meeting was led by **Mark Young**. The prayer was led by **Randy Williams**. **Nancy Miller** led the music with **Millie Braddy** accompanying on piano. **Henry McGinty** led the Pledge and **Clint Nix** introduced our guests.

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Faces of Kiwanis



Faces of Kiwanis: Twyla Young introduced the "Mystery Kiwanian" of the week. Henry McGinty presented Mike Casey with a Legion of Honor certificate for 25 years of service. Kimberley Cole introduced the program. Mike Casey was awarded the Legion of Honor certificate. Clinton Nix introduced the guests in hopes of getting his picture in the paper again. Randy Williams led the opening prayer. Nancy Miller led the singing.

Division Council Meeting

Wow! Already two months into the Kiwanis year, almost Christmas, and so much to do in our Kiwanis journey and life in general! I know you're all very busy, but I hope you are planning to attend **the Division 35 Council Meeting, Thursday, December 10, 6:30 p.m. at the Cotton Patch in Abilene. I would like very much to have every club in the Division represented.** Come early so you will have time to order

your meal. We will start the meeting at 6:30, and adjourn by 8:00 pm.

We have a full agenda. I've asked several members of our Leadership Team to take 5-6 minutes each to share with you valuable information about their areas, and how they can help you.

We will revisit the Hendrick 2010 matter and have results of the Sophomore of the Year selection process ready to announce.

LEGION OF HONOR

Henry McGinty presented a 25-year Legion of Honor Certificate to Mike Casey today.



Mike has worked behind the scenes these many years and sees to it that our gumball program operates smoothly.

Reports

Upcoming Programs

December 16 - Chris Thompson,
ACU Head Football Coach
December 23 - NO MEETING
December 30 - NO MEETING

Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing

Goal	\$50,000.00
Pledged to Date:	\$19,200.00
Collected to Date:	\$27,324.30
Needed to	
Reach Goal:	\$22,675.70

NEWEST MEMBERS

David Batson—10/21/09
Twyla Young—10/7/09
Will Smith—10/7/09
Guy Lucas—9/23/09
Pam McGrew—9/2/09
Ron Colwell—9/2/09

Spiritual Aims Message...by Randy Williams

One long hot day in June of 1973, I went to Sears to have a new set of wheels and locknuts put on my car. I had called ahead to make sure everything was ready. After sitting there for 2 hours, a mechanic comes in to me and says, "Mr. Williams, I'm sorry but we don't have any locknuts for your car and no one in town has them. We will have to order them." As my blood boiled over I demanded to see the Manager. Out comes this neatly dressed and well groomed gentleman and I proceed to lay into him about waiting until they were in the middle of a job to determine that they didn't have the

necessary materials. He stated that Sears would stand good in the event that someone might steal my new wheels and tires while we waited for the locknuts. I demanded it in writing, to which he agreed and wrote it out.

Now, at the time, I was the main song leader in the biggest Church of Christ on the West Coast. The Sunday following my little outburst, I'm leading singing and guess who comes forward with his family to place membership in our church? The new Automotive Manager for Sears. I wanted to slide under the pew.

What a lesson was learned that day. How do we represent our God & King? What kind of an Ambassador for the Kingdom are we day to day, moment by moment. The Apostle Paul said, "For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord." (Rom. 14: 7-9).

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for all our members who were unable to attend. Pray for our soldiers overseas. Pray for our country's leaders.

Guests & Requests



GUESTS—12/2/09: Russell Berry and his wife, Paula were present. Norman McAllister was the guest of Faye Dodson. Tom Lovvorn was the guest of Charles Kirkpatrick. Jean Casey was the guest of Mike Casey. David Batson brought his wife Joan as his guest. Not pictured was Roenna Thomas, guest of John Thomas.

Who's Who in Kiwanis and More

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Chair Clinton Nix, Margaret Hoogstra, Gary Bomar, Leonard Brock.



Kiwanis Birthday List

- 12/09 Curtis Blackburn
- 12/09 Gordon Dowell
- 12/09 Matt Preston
- 12/12 Charles Kirkpatrick
- 12/13 Bill Zavatson



CUP MONEY
\$45.36

BRAG BASKET
\$15.00



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2008-2010 OFFICERS

Mark Young—President
Lora Lynn Christensen—President-Elect
Jamie Breed—Vice President
Charles Kirkpatrick—Vice President
Randy Williams—Vice President
Russell Berry—Immediate Past President
Ricki Brown—Treasurer/Foundation Treasurer
Faye Dodson—Secretary
Henry McGinty—Assistant Secretary

2009-2010 DIRECTORS

Two Year:

Rob Allen, Marty Anderson, Clay Copeland, Dick Kincaid, Don Paige

One Year:

Mark Hoover, Kelly Jones, Ty Purcell, Mac Sipe, Shirley Velasco

Shorts

Young Children Priority One

Cassie Santiago announced our “Winter Project” would be to assist young children who may not have Christmas. She will provide opportunity next week for members to purchase gifts for specific families in need. (Please see attached pages.)

Aktion Club News

The club’s display is built and ready for Christmas Lane. Their next meeting will be 12/15/09 at Oakwood Trails. **John Thomas** encouraged members to attend this exciting new club.

Know your Kiwanian Project

This project has been coordinated by the membership committee and

they need your help. If you have not completed the “Know your Kiwanian” form, please do so and turn them in to the check-in desk.

Also remember to send a picture of yourself, which will be used in the Kiwanigram. Help us get to know you.

Please get your Hendrick Pledge commitments in before the end of the year. There are several due this season.



NAME THIS KIWANIAN!

1. I was born in Stillwater, OK, grew up in that area and moved to Abilene from Peoria, IL, 15 years ago.
2. I attended Oklahoma State University.
3. I was Regional Administrator for the Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Illinois. I worked with the U.S. Dept of Agriculture for 36 years.
4. I have been a Kiwanian for 14 years. I received the National Leadership Award in the 4-H Club and the Governor’s Hall of Fame Award.
5. I served in the U.S. Army.

Last week’s Kiwanian: Jeff Goodin

