

# K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* KIWANIGRAM



## POET & VET, Dr. Jim Wilson Abilene Country Club, Noon, January 13

Dr. Jim Wilson is a native of the Big Bend Country who grew up in Van Horn. He came through Abilene in 1968-70 to do his pre-veterinary work at ACU and graduated from the college of veterinary medicine at Texas A&M in 1973.

He came back to Abilene in 1974. In 1976 he started

Mobile Veterinary Clinic, a small animal veterinary practice up the road on South Treadaway. So that's what he does for an honest living; and as an avocation and for recreation, stress relief and entertainment he writes poetry.

He has been writing seriously for the last 10 years.

He has published 5 books and has about 50 other publications and many writing awards. He writes poetry about everyday life from his perspective, which on occasion is a little unusual. He will be talking about pet health and will read selections of his poetry.

## HIGH VALLEY, Christian Musicians January 6



*High Valley's Curtis Rempel, Brad Rempel and Bryan Rempel*

**Russell Berry** introduced the program today. What a great way to kick off 2010 as the singing group, High Valley from Canada sang for us. Brothers Brad Rempel, (lead singer), Brian Rempel (bass), and Curtis Rempel (mandolin) joined by Brent Clifford (snare drums) sang from their hearts as they shared music they had written. Their blended voices brought vivid images of life growing up with determined parents on a farm in Canada.

Brad shared that his parents accepted Christ when he was 5 years old, and that his Grandpa gave up on working his way into heaven at the age of 85 when he finally accepted Christ as his Savior. They are a farming family, having moved from Mexico all the way to Canada when his Grandfather was kicked out of the Mennonite colony for owning a 1953 GMC pickup.

The group sang songs from their soon-to-be released CD which was made available to those present. Songs performed were "The Only Way He Knew How", "My Way Back" and "Call Me Old Fashioned". This terrific group will perform at Pioneer Drive Baptist

Church on Sunday evening, January 10th at 6:00 pm.

Mark Young thanked the group for coming and stated that we would contribute funds to the foundation for scholarships in their honor.

Today's meeting was led by **Mark Young**. The prayer was led by **Russell Berry**. **David Jones** led the music with **Millie Braddy** accompanying on piano. **H.B. Terry** led the pledge and **Kimberley Cole** introduced our guests.

Great attendance at the first meeting of 2010 today with 11 guests and 71 members present!

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### Upcoming:

**Division 35 Governor's Visit/Banquet** — Monday, February 15th.

**Program Committee Meeting** — Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 noon at Alley Cats Downtown

**Board Meeting** — Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 12:00 noon, at Bogies Downtown

**Aktion Club**—Tuesday, January 12 at 6:30 p.m. We could use your help!

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## Faces of Kiwanis



**Faces of Kiwanis:** **Russell Berry** led the opening prayer and introduced the program. **Mark Young** presided. **David Jones** led the singing. **Jamie Breed** with High Valley.

## Club Business

### Gumball Report:

**Earl Williams** presented two checks today. \$373.80 for November and \$392.76 for December.

### Donations:

**Jerry Harris** presented a \$500.00 check to Debbie Lillick, Executive Director of the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature (NCCIL).

Debbie expressed her appreciation to the club and shared that the funds

would be used to provide art supplies to student tour groups who came to the NICCIL from the community.



### SHOOTOUT:

Our Kiwanis Shootout benefiting the Children's Miracle Network (CMN) will take place on Monday, Feb 1<sup>st</sup>.

Contact **David Jones** to help. Advertising spots are available for the program.

Mark reminded us this was our **Winter Project** and something in which every member can participate.

## Reports

### 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

### Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing

Goal	\$50,000.00
Pledged to Date:	\$19,200.00
Collected to Date:	\$27,708.05
Needed to Reach Goal:	\$22,291.95

### Gumball Report

By Earl Williams



**1185** Machines in operation.  
**766** Read in November & December  
**\$766.56** collected  
**\$241,609.80** collected to date!

## Spiritual Aims Message...by Randy Williams

Gaye Lynn, my wife, was sharing with me that she just loves holding our 2-year-old granddaughter in her lap and just reading with her. She said that she felt like God had impressed upon her that this is how He feels when she sits and reads His word. When she just soaks in the Word of God. I believe there is power in scripture.

A doctor friend of ours has been under such attack since he really began to dedicate his life to knowing God. Patients threatening lawsuits and being unreasonably demanding. He says that there is so much stress in his office. I suggested that

he print out scripture that is full of words of encouragement and put them up throughout his office and just see what God's presence will do.

Isaiah 55:10-11 says, *"As the rain and snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish whatever I desire and achieve the purpose for which I it."*

I believe that Satan becomes very active this time of year. Everywhere, he is being reminded that the end of his time is upon him. So, when you come under attack, look to the Word of God so that He may help you **"accomplish whatever you desire and achieve the purpose for which He sent it."**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for all our members who were unable to attend. Pray for **Price Brock**, admitted to the hospital for pneumonia.

## Guests

### GUESTS, 1/6/10

Paula Berry, guest of **Russell Berry**  
Debbie Lillick, guest of **Ricki Brown**  
Don Connel, guest of **John Thomas**  
Elaine Kirkpatrick, guest of **Charles Kirkpatrick**

Lt Col Jim Barlow, guest of **George Knight**

Mike Hammock, guest of **Russell Leavenworth**

Lake Monhollon, guest of **Jimmie Monhollon**

Gary Jay with Greater Abilene

Club Guests: Brad, Brian and Curtis Rempel, Brent Clifford and Jon Sell



High Valley's Brad and Bryan Rempel.



High Valley's Curtis Rempel and NCCIL's Debbie Lillick.



## Who's Who in Kiwanis and More

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

**Co-Chairs Don Riddle and Jim Miller.** Earl Williams, Tom Aguilar, A.C. Johnson, Curtis Blackburn, Nell Sims, Leonard Brock, Jarrell Young, Roy Dent, Bill Zavatson and Richard Kincaid..

### *Kiwanis Birthday List*

1/08 James Hallmark

1/10 Chris Carnohan

1/11 Jim Berry



### CUP MONEY

\$43.15

### BRAG BASKET

\$6.00





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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

### VOTE:

All TX-OK Kiwanis Club Members: We are a finalist in the Chase Community Giving Program on Facebook. Help us win \$1 Million to grow the Kiwanis Key Leader Program. All you have to do is vote! Voting starts Friday, January 15th and lasts for one week. On Friday, simply go to <http://facebook.com/kiwanis> for directions on how to vote. Thanks for your help!  
Klint Neal, Past Governor,  
TX-OK District of Key Club Int'l

### PRAYER REQUEST:

Tommie Jones (Past Lt. Governor, 2003-2004, Division 28) suffered a heart attack today and is in intensive care. He has lost a good amount of healthy heart function and will most likely require a defibrillator to be implanted to monitor heart beats and correct irregular ones. Regardless of what medical action is taken, Tommie will need to greatly "slow down!"

Please pray for God to heal and to preserve the good portion of heart functions with no further damaging attacks.

Love to all,  
Judi Jones

### NAME THIS KIWANIAN!

1. I was born and grew up in Plainview, Texas, and attended Plainview High School and Wayland Baptist University.
2. I previously lived in Vernon and Austin, but have lived in Abilene the last 22 years.
3. I have been a member of Kiwanis for 21 years, all in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene, and have served as Vice President, 2 terms on the board, and chair 2 committees.
4. I have received other awards, but my favorite is having the honor of being named Kiwanian of the Year.