

K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* KIWANIGRAM



MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Abilene Country Club, Noon, May 26

Join us as we celebrate our own veterans! We are all bringing photos and memorabilia of the veterans in our families to share.

There will be a slide show of photos, in addition to singing, & celebrating the service & sacrifice of the veterans in our Kiwanis club.

We will hear from three of our own as well. Please mark your calendar to attend our meeting this coming Wednesday!

ACADEMIC & SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION, Dr. Lanny Hall May 19



In closing Dr. Hall, asked the students to remember, "Am I stepping up the stairs?"

This was an encouraging presentation not only for the students today but for each of us present.

Mark Young congratulated the students and thanked Dr. Hall for coming. He stated we would make a donation to the

Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation for scholarships in Dr. Hall's honor.

Mark Young led the meeting. **Don Paige** led the prayer. **Charles Kirkpatrick** led the music with **Lora Lynn Christensen** accompanying. **Jarrell Young** led the pledge and **Robert Pritz** introduced our guests.

Russell Berry introduced Dr. Lanny Hall, President of Hardin Simmons University, as the speaker today. Dr. Hall opened by stating "Been There, Done That, Now What?" He shared many quotes from successful individuals to inspire students present as they plan for their own success.

He went on to say, there are many steps on the stairway to success.

Those "Steps Up" include: Action, Attention to Detail, Patience, Perseverance, Professional Relationships and Priorities.



Valedictorians and Salutatorians: 1st row: Kirsten Awalt, WHS Salutatorian; Christina Walters, CHS Valedictorian; Sunni Kuna, AHS, Salutatorian; Katie Cheek, Salutatorian, ACHS. 2nd row: Kacy Williams, WHS Valedictorian; Samantha Koss, CHS Salutatorian; Rebecca Roady, AHS Valedictorian; Leah Robbins, ACHS Valedictorian.

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Upcoming:

Prayer Breakfast-June 3
6:45 am at Bobbie Wolfe's barn. We will honor Dennis Laster as Layman of the year.

Retirement: Millie Braddy has resigned as our pianist. Let's thank Millie when you see her for her years of faithful service. Let Lora Lynn Christensen know if you are willing to play the piano for the weekly meetings.

Membership Drive Month
We need at least 8 new members!

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Faces of Kiwanis



Faces of Kiwanis: Winners of \$1000 Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation Scholarships: L to R: Mackenzie Clay, Wylie HS; Meagan McCollum, Cooper HS; Morgan Raley, Cooper HS; Stormy Dempsey, Cooper HS; Lenora Taylor, Abilene Christian HS. **Nancy Miller** introduced the Mystery Kiwanian of the Week. **Robert Pritz** introduced the guests.

Club Business

PRESENTATION

Don Scargall presented Mike Kozelsky, Principal at Reagan Elementary, with a check for \$750. Don also introduced Mike's assistant, Sharon Jones.



Mike expressed appreciation for the funds stating they would be used for

equipment. He also expressed appreciation to those who come each week to read with the students. Don shared that the group of volunteers served approximately 220 hours during 2009-2010.

ELECTION NEWS

Russell Berry, Chairman of the Membership Committee, submitted the following for Directors of the 2010-2011 year: Will Smith, Twyla Young, Kirk Hancock, Roy Dent, Guy Lucas and Royce Manning. There

were no nominations from the floor and these were accepted.

They join the following as officers for 2010-2011: Lora Lynn Christensen, President; Charles Kirkpatrick – President Elect; Ricki Brown - Treasurer; Marty Anderson, Mark Hoover and Mac Sipe (Vice Presidents).

Five of those selected will serve a 2-yr term, one will fill a 1-yr position left vacant as Marty Anderson moves to VP. The 1-yr director will be determined at the May 26th meeting.

Reports

Gumball Report

By Earl Williams



1154 Machines in operation.
\$369.72 collected in April
\$243,143.24 collected to date!

Hendrick Children's Hospital Wing

Goal:	\$50,000.00
Shootout 2009:	\$ 2,500.00
Shootout 2010:	\$ 2,000.00
Rec'd to Date:	\$26,703.78
Needed to Reach Goal:	\$23,296.22

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June 2—Steps to Strides, Danette Cummings
June 9—Pancake Day Wrap-Up, "Ask Doug"
June 16—Alaska Trip Recap, Lynda Fogerson
June 23—Larry Gilley, City Manager
June 30—Patriotic Program

Spiritual Aims Message...by Randy Williams

When I was 6 yrs. old, my family moved from the poor part of town to a middle-class neighborhood, where I met Lee Sturdivan. We became fast friends. We seemed to be joined at the hip. And then High School came around and we began to drift apart. Our interests just weren't the same, and before you knew it, we rarely even spoke to each other.

Why the change? Friendship requires spending time with the other person. That's the way our relationship often goes with God. We stop

talkin' and/or listening to Him and before you know it, we've lost our way.

Having a personal relationship with God means we should include God in our daily lives. We should pray to Him, read His word, and meditate on verses in an effort to get to know Him better. We should pray for wisdom ([James 1:5](#)), which is the most valuable asset we could ever have. We should take our requests to Him, asking in Jesus' name ([John 15:16](#)). Jesus is the one who loves us enough to give His life for us ([Romans 5:8](#)),

and He is the one who bridged the gap between us and God.

Communication is the key to relationship. Do you want to **"Change the World, One Child at a Time"**? Don't be like Adam & Eve and allow sin to separate you from God. But rather put away your sinful ways and walk in constant communication with God.

Guests 5/19/10 & More



GUESTS

Becky Race was the guest of Eddie Alvarez.

Mike Kozelski, Sharon Jones were guests of the Club

Gary Jay, Lorne Sutherland and Bobbi Bieberly were visiting from the Greater Abilene Club

PRAYER REQUESTS

Roy Dent's son, who fell on a set of stairs and has a broken back along with many other injuries. He lives in El Paso.

Roland Williams' wife, Gloria.

Nell Sims

NEW MEMBERS

Jonathan Gibbs—5/12/10

Eddie Alvarez—3/3/10

Brady Currey—1/27/10

David Batson—10/21/09

Twyla Young—10/7/09

Will Smith—10/7/09

Who's Who in Kiwanis and More

NEW CLUB BUILDING

Tri-Chairmen:

- Bill Hoogstra
- Kelly Jones
- Dennis Laster

Kiwanis Birthday List

5/26 *Russell Berry*

5/26 *Carl Lockett*

5/31 *Melvin Martin*



CUP MONEY

\$39.25

BRAG BASKET

\$20.00



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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, Will Smith, Dick Kincaid, Don Paige

One Year:

Mark Hoover, Kelly Jones, Ty Purcell, Mac Sipe, Lew Lewis

Shorts

NAME THIS KIWANIAN!

1. I was born in Stephenville, Texas.
2. I grew up in Canyon, Texas and Amarillo, Texas.
3. I moved to Abilene from Amarillo.
4. I graduated from Canyon High School, West Texas State University, and Abilene Christian University.
5. My hobbies are hunting, fishing, and writing.
6. I have been a Kiwanian for 4½ years, all in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.
7. My wife and I have 6 children and one grandchild.

Last Week's Kiwanian: **H.B. Terry**

THANK YOU

Letters of thanks were received this past week from Dickie Greenwood, President/CEO of Disability Resources, Inc.; Michael Redden, Executive Director for New Horizons; and scholarship recipient Meagan McCollum.



PANCAKE DOLLAR RECIPIENTS

Taylor County Livestock Show, Abilene High FFA, Cooper High FFA, Wylie High FFA, Jim Ned FFA, Merkel High FFA, Trent High FFA, National Drug & Safety League, National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, Chorus Abilene, Ben Richey Boys Ranch, Hendrick Home for Children, Harmony Family Services, Christian Homes of Abilene, Joseph Thomas Foundation, Just Girls, New Horizons, Connecting Caring Communities, Abilene Adult Day Care, Love and Care Ministries, Texas Ramp Project, Meals on Wheels, Taylor County Adult Literacy Council, Salvation Army, Disability Resources Inc., Big Country RSVP, Reagan Elementary, and the Children's Miracle Network