

K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* **KIWANIGRAM**



EXPO CENTER UPDATE, Commissioner Stan Egger Abilene Country Club, Noon, October 20

Stan Egger was born in Sweetwater and moved to South Taylor County at age one. He has been married for 33 years to Nan Alexander, who has taught at Wylie and Jim Ned, and they have two children: Cole (28) and Jessica (25). Stan's father was an Ag Teacher at Jim Ned for 43 years.

Having been raised on a ranch, Stan began his affiliation with the Taylor County Expo Center early in life through livestock shows. From 1976 until 2006, Stan served as Superintendent and Member of the Taylor County Livestock Show Committee. He has served 5 consecutive terms as the County

Commissioner for Precinct #3, continuing to work with the Expo Center as a member of the Board of Directors. His lengthy association with the Expo Center gives him a unique perspective on their past, present, and future operations and the events they bring to our community

PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE with Lora Lynn Christensen

Continuing the stroll through our Club's 90 year history: The Kiwanis Club of Abilene in 1925 hosted the Division Conference, helped organize the Coleman Club, provided money for surgical treatment and hospitalization for crippled children, and ended the year with 64 members.

In 1926, the Club hosted the Division Conference, provided funds to send girls to YWCA Camp, sponsored the Goodfellow fund by donating 100 baskets to needy families at Christmas, continued contributing to the milk and ice fund, paid for medical treatments for crippled children, and ended the year with 84 members.

In 1927, the Club held a joint meeting with Mineral

Wells Club; provided baskets for 200 families; and ended the year with 93 members.

In 1928, local farmers were guests at a meeting (rural-urban relations were stressed), the Vocational Guidance Committee was established (arranged interviews with businessmen and college students); continued ice and milk fund, sponsored Goodfellow Fund, contributed to West Texas Children Aid Assoc.; year ending with 82 members.

As our emphasis on new members continues, let us remember people who have belonged to our Club in the past and could perhaps be interested in re-joining. If we "remember" past members, we'll be adding their ex-

perience in Kiwanis. The Board of Directors have each been given a list of those past members. Ask to see the list or email Faye Dodson and she can send you a copy.



Kirk Hancock, chair of the Membership Committee announced

that October was Pastor Appreciation month. Members were encouraged to invite their pastor to a club meeting. Each month, the membership committee will be focusing on a different profession for membership recruitment. Of course, everyone is welcome.

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Upcoming:

Magic Show by Gary Carlson, 10/26 sponsored by Key City North at HSU's Behrans Auditorium, 7pm. Tickets \$8 can be purchased from any Key City North Kiwanian.

K-Family Weekend- 10/30 DFW Marriott Hotel. Registration Form is online at www.txok-kiwanis.org.

Christian Homes of Abilene, 11/9 Honoring **Nancy Miller**. Limited seating available. Contact Bob Hunter at ACU or **Russell Berry**.

Convention at Sea, August 25-29, 2011— Mark your calendars now.

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Club Business

RECOGNITION: Gordon Dowell was presented his past Lt Governor pin by Lora Lynn.

RECYCLING: The Club Badge Board takes up a lot of room in our Office. This 3-piece wooden badge board is too big to display and our new badges no longer fit. If you know of a use for it let us know, otherwise it will be donated to Goodwill.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE: If you have a warm handshake and great smile, the Hospitality Committee is looking for addi-

tional folks to serve as greeters at our weekly meetings. If interested in serving, please call **Keith Garner** at 695-4558. Greeters arrive about 11:30 am and shake hands and say "howdy." Every Kiwanian ought to do this at least once this year!

The See By Three Committee needs volunteers to help test 3 to 4 yr olds for lazy eye. Volunteers are needed for each session. Contact **Glyn Hammons** at 673-7485 or glynbetty@aol.com.

The Serve Our Schools Committee

needs help at Reagan Elementary. To volunteer to help children on a weekly basis improve their reading skills, contact **Don Scargall**.

FORMS: If you have not completed a Know your Kiwanian form, please do so. Available on the Kiwanis web site at www.abilenekiwanis.org.

New Directories Available: Replacement pages for 2010-2011 were handed out and will again be available next week.

Faces of Kiwanis



LuGene Lewis was the Mystery Kiwanian of the week. Inez Russell presented the program. Cecelia Barahona is the Abilene Area Coordinator with Friends for Life. **Alan Eggleston** led the singing.

Reports

Gumball Report

By Earl Williams



September Collection:
\$548.04
\$245,431.08 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:	\$37,139.81
Needed to Reach Goal:	\$12,860.19

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

October 27—Becky Rentz, Wylie Bulldogs Education Foundation
 November 10—Teresa Marvin, Dyess' Airmen and Family Readiness Center
 November 17—Spiritual Aims Program
 November 24—Jean McMillon, AISD Education Foundation

Spiritual Aims Message...by Randy Williams

I was raised in a strict Christian home. My parents drilled into me and my brother the old “turn the other cheek” idea. Wanting to be a good boy, I obeyed.

Now there are a lot more fights among Jr. High kids than any other age. Kids are establishing the pecking order, so a kid who won’t fight back becomes a target. Everyday became a terrifying event for me. Who would be lurking just around the corner to “thump” me? One day I just snapped and “cleaned the plow” of about 5 kids during the day

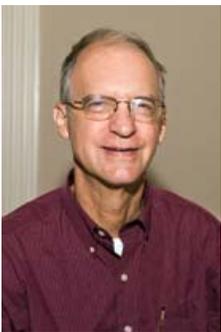
who had been picking on me. Guess what? They all stopped messing with me.

I discovered that I had to stick up for myself and I promised myself that I would never teach my own kids to just let someone beat on them by using a scripture that, I felt, my parents had misunderstood. But I remember “that fear”. How many of us let fear control us and keep us from achieving what God has for us?

The truth is that the best defense against fear is to love and pursue God. In *Isaiah 41:10*, we are en-

couraged, “Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.” The Psalmist wrote in Psalm 5:11, “let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you.” To “**Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time,**” pursue God and He will protect and encourage you in all things.

Guests, Prayer Requests, New Member



GUESTS:

It was great to have former member Ken Lenoir, guest of **David Bacon**, back for a visit.

Carl Brown of Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene

was also a club guest.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Remember Pat Lockett, wife of **Carl Lockett** who has a broken leg.

Remember **Leonard Brock**, Room 35 at Oaks at Radford Hills.

Marty Anderson is recovering from eye surgery.

Continue to pray for our military.

NEW MEMBERS

Tim Adcock—10/6/10

Ron Carroll—7/14/10

Jonathan Gibbs—5/12/10

Eddie Alvarez—3/3/10

Brady Currey—1/27/10

David Batson—10/21/09

Who’s Who & More

NAME THIS KIWANIAN!

- I was born in Fisher County, Texas.
- I grew up in Yoakum County, Texas.
- I have lived in Abilene for 28 yrs.
- I moved to Abilene from Midland.
- I graduated from Plains High School. I attended Texas Tech for 2 years and graduated from Har-

- ...din-Simmons University.
- I have been a Kiwanian about 16 years, about 13 year in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

LAST WEEK: LuGene Lewis

Kiwanis Birthday List

10/22 Rosanna Herndon

10/23 Manuel Longoria

10/26 James Cassle



CUP MONEY

\$36.46

BRAG BASKET

\$24.00



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2010-2011 DIRECTORS

Two Year:

Twyla Young, Kirk Hancock, Guy Lucas, Royce Manning
and Will Smith

One Year:

Rob Allen, Roy Dent, Lew Lewis, Dick Kincaid and Don
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AKTION CLUB LETTER



We recently received this letter from a staff member of Abilene State Supported Living Center. She had attended an Aktion Club meeting and shared her thoughts.

"The president called the meeting to order and they got straight down to business talking about upcoming events on campus and in the community that they could volunteer for. We especially got a kick out of Patty, who volunteered to help with every activity that was mentioned. It was so good to see the members being eager to help others. They agreed on which upcoming events they would volun-

teer for and elected a new Treasurer. Everyone had big smiles on their faces and seemed to be genuinely happy to be at the meeting. It seemed like no time at all until things were being wrapped up and everyone was getting ready to leave.

Aktion Club is a wonderful boost to the confidence and self-esteem of its members. Home Staff have told me that Bobby always gets excited and has big smiles when they tell him it is Aktion Club night and he gets to put on his shirt to go to the meeting. After attending a meeting

myself, I can see why he enjoys going.

Kudos to the Kiwanis club that helped get Aktion Club started out here, and kudos to the sponsors who have worked to make it the success it is."

Thank you, Kiwanians, for the support you give the Aktion Club. Hope you can come to one of the meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30. We meet at the Oakwood Trails Lodge at Abilene State Supported Living Center. Call if you have questions, call **Twyla Young** at 513-6971.