

# K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* KIWANIGRAM



## **ABILENE EDUCATION FOUNDATION, Jean McMillon Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2010**

After 20 years in education, Jean McMillon retired to become the Director of Abilene Education Foundation. Jean served children as a teacher, counselor, and principal before her retirement. She grew up in Abilene graduating from Abilene High School, received her Bachelors Degree from Abilene



Christian University, Masters in Education from Angelo State University, and Counseling Administration Degree from the University of North Texas.

For the last five years of her career she has been able to continue her passion and love of education by serving as AEF's Executive Director. The Abilene Education Foundation is a non-profit community organization created to promote and enhance excellence in education for the students of the Abilene Independent School District through the enrichment of its programs. The goals of the Abilene Education Foundation are

to provide for the Abilene Independent School District by:

- Encouraging academic excellence through generation and distribution of funds unavailable through local, state, and federal tax revenue.
- Supporting innovative and creative programs which provide enriched

educational experiences.

- Mobilizing community support and encouraging involvement.
- Building public awareness and promoting the School District's strengths.
- recognizing student accomplishments and exemplary teaching.

Jean and her husband Don have three sets of children Mark and Wendy McMillon of Plano, Matt and Rebecca McMillon of Abilene, Marci and John Phillips of Texarkana and 7 grandchildren. They are members of Highland Church of Christ and strive to stay active in service to their community.

## **PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE**

*from Lora Lynn Christensen*

What an inspirational program about the Fellowship of Christian Athletes this week at Kiwanis.

Coach Steve Keenum brought good news about the Fields of Faith and nearly 15,000 young people in Abilene, Brownwood, Big Spring, San Angelo, Graham and surrounding areas meeting to make music, hear testimonies and participate in prayers.

Young people challenging their peers on neutral ground to hear and live the gospel of Jesus.

Thank you Randy Williams for arranging this program.

### **First Lady's Project**

The First Lady's Project (Governor Sam Curry's wife, Joyce) for this year is participation in Reading Is Fundamental (RIF). Two of our committees are considering purchasing the multi-cultural set of 50 volumes of beautifully illustrated, finely bound books for children in Abilene to use. As soon as details are

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### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **December 3**

Governor's Banquet & Division 35 Council meeting at Southern Hills Church of Christ Fellowship Hall

#### **December 4**

Texas-Oklahoma District Step-Up Program at 4-H Camp at Lake Brownwood

#### **August 25-29**

Texas-Oklahoma District Convention at Sea Galveston to Cozumel

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# FACES OF KIWANIS



The program was presented by Steve Keenum.



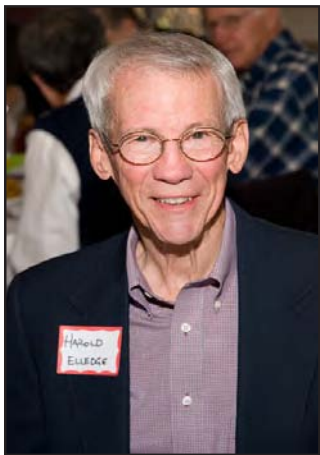
Opening prayer was led by Don Riddle.



Guinn Smith introduced the guests and the program.



Earl Williams gave a gumball report.



Harold Ellege was the guest of Russell Berry.



It was good to see Margaret Hoogstra.



Zach Briley was back following surgery.



Lake Monhollon was the guest of Jimmie Monhollon.

## KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE Weekly Meeting 11/17/10

Led Meeting.....Lora Lynn Christensen  
 Prayer..... Don Riddle  
 Music..... Ken Poynor  
 Piano..... Tim Adcock  
 Pledge..... James Shields  
 Guests..... Guinn Smith

### Guests

Guest..... Guest of Member  
 Lake Monhollon..... Jimmy Monhollon  
*(welcome back to Abilene Jimmie & Lake)*  
 Harold Elledge..... Russell Berry  
 Glen Barron..... Glyn Hammons  
 Joan Batson..... David Batson  
 Steve Kennan (Speaker)..... Club

### Prayers

Pray for H.B. Terry who is at Wisteria Place for rehab

Remember Bill and Ginger Zavatson and health issues for them

Remember Leonard Brock who is the Oaks at Radford Hills, room 40 and would enjoy visitors or phone calls. His phone number is 670-9490.

Pray for those who have lost loved ones recently, especially Merle Collins who passed away on November 5th and remember John Thomas whose wife Erin, passed away November 9th. Others: Dale Morrison, Rocky Coke, nephew of Bud Coke and Keith Garner's sister.

Praise our Lord for answered prayer and the many blessings He pours out on us daily.

# Announcements:

## Thanks from Russell Berry

Thanks to The Kiwanis Club of Abilene for the high honor bestowed on me with the Bailey Choate Award. Knowing him and his undivided devotion to anything Kiwanis, as well as being in the same class with McGinty, Pritchett, Boozer, and Miller is truly beyond my imagination.

As you know, there is a \$1000 award from the club with this honor, and I have chosen to donate that award toward our club's pledge to Hendrick Medical Center for The Kiwanis Club of Abilene's Children's Room.

Hopefully this will encourage all of us to get behind President Laura Lynn's suggestion that we all consider going "above and beyond" in trying to get our pledge paid off by the end of February.

Thanks again, Club, for all you do in service for the boys and girls of Abilene.

## Ring, Ring, Ring

Salvation Army is requesting Kiwanians to volunteer to ring the bells at the Salvation Army Kettles during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. Call 677-1408; ask for Major Parrish or J. D. Alonzo. At one time Kiwanians were a main source of volunteers for this worthy cause.

## We help kids

Did you know that the Serve our Schools committee impacted 111 children in the month of October?

This active committee gives of their time each week to help children from Reagan Elementary with reading.

Contact Don Scargall to get involved with this effort. Committee members are: Don Scargall, Lynda Fogerson, Russell Berry, Jerry Harris, Charles Kirkpatrick, Will Smith, Jeff Gooding, Kimberley Cole, Roy Dent, David Bacon, Jarrell Young and George Knight.

## The Web we weave

Check out our website at <http://abilenekiwanis.org/>. Charles Kirkpatrick does an outstanding job of keeping this site current. You will find prior Kiwanigrams there, forms, club history and much more.

## Wear it with pride

The Health Department has informed us that hat or cap will be required by all pancake flippers at the Pancake Day in 2011. You might as well buy a Abilene Kiwanis Club Hat for \$6.50 and have it ready. Wear it

between now and then as great exposure for our club.

## Gumball report

Gumball King Earl Williams reports we have 1,149 gumball machines in operation.

In October, money was collected from 303 of them.

Our share of the total was \$371.64

That means, the total to date is \$245,802.72

WOW!



## Bill needs some help

Bill Zavatson needs assistance tracking Perfect Attendance. If you are interested in taking this on contact Bill, Lora Lynn Christensen or Faye Dodson.

## Membership emphasis

Membership emphasis for November: Bring your handyman! Auto mechanic, plumber, electrician, painter, yardman, builder! Small business owners would make perfect Kiwanian members -- you know that, as many of you are one!

## Program ideas

If you have suggestions for upcoming programs, contact a member of the Program Committee. Those members are: Mack Sipe, Jamie Breed, Russell Berry, Chris Carnohan, Dub Pritchett, Don Scargall, Guinn Smith, Randy Williams, Gordon Dowell, Price Brock, Kimberley Cole, Doug Williamson, Lou Briley, Melvin Martin and Jerry Carter.

## Mark your calendar

### December 3

Division Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., prior to Governor's Banquet, Southern Hills Church of Christ Fellowship Hall

### December 3

Governor's Banquet: Southern Hills Church of Christ Fellowship Hall (Sign up sheet at 11/17 meeting) Cost \$15.00

### December 4

Step-up Program, Brownwood, Tx 10:00am to 3:00 pm -Cost \$10.00

### February 12, 2011

Tx Ok Mid Winter Conference, Irving Tx

### February 26, 2011

90th Anniversary Celebration. Governor Sam Curry will be here.

### July 7-10, 2011

96th Annual Kiwanis International Convention, Geneva Switzerland

### August 25-29, 2011

Tx Ok Convention at Sea



You are invited  
to the Division 35 banquet for

*Texas-Oklahoma District*  
*Governor Sam Curry*  
*&*  
*First Lady Joyce Curry*

Friday, December 3, 2010  
Southern Hills Church of Christ Fellowship Hall  
3666 Buffalo Gap Road, Abilene  
6 p.m. - Division Council Meeting  
7 p.m. - Governor's Banquet

**RSVP by signing up at our next meeting,  
or e-mailing to [kiwanis@abilenekiwanis.org](mailto:kiwanis@abilenekiwanis.org)  
or calling 673-1341  
Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, November 26th**

## The Aktion Club in action



The Aktion Club has certainly been full of action! Its project in November was painting barrels to collect items to donate for Mission Thanksgiving. They are planning a Christmas party in December and a January project of preparing personal care kits to donate to Love and Care Ministries. The Aktion Club is full of wonderful project ideas. We may have to borrow some of their ideas and their enthusiasm!

### Hendrick Pledge

Goal ..... \$50,000.00  
 Received to Date ..... \$38,239.81  
 Balance Needed ..... \$11,760.19

Keep in mind our goal is to present \$50,000.00 to Hendrick Children's Hospital at our 90th Anniversary Celebration. Contact Faye Dodson for additional details. Checks should be made payable to Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation.

## KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

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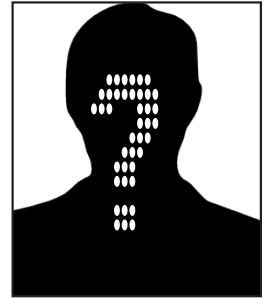


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## Can you name this Kiwanian?

1. I was born in Fort Worth, TX.
2. I grew up in Abilene, Texas.
3. I moved to Abilene from Berkeley, California.
4. I have lived in Abilene for 64 years.
5. Schools attended include Abilene High School and Hardin-Simmons University
6. My hobbies are water coloring and writing.
7. I have been a member of Kiwanis for 16 years, all in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.
8. Kiwanis offices/positions include President.



## PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE

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made available on securing these, they will be ordered and shipped.

### Historical Moment

In 1950 our Kiwanis Club worked the Wishing Well for March of Dimes to find cure for polio; sponsored an indoor circus which resulted in a \$100 profit; 24 Kiwanians boarded a plane to make a good will trip to Oklahoma City Capitol Hill Club; the "milk bottle" collection went to the Boys Ranch; the Wooten Hotel (meeting place for many years) raised the lunch costs from \$1 to \$1.25; the Club purchased 15 football uniforms for Locust Elementary; Dr. Grady Jolly joined on Dec. 20; and a committee was formed to help community effort to start a school of nursing. Another banner year for our great club!

### 2010-2011 OFFICERS

Lora Lynn Christensen - President  
 Mark Young - Immediate Past President  
 Charles Kirkpatrick - President-Elect  
 Mark Hoover - Vice President  
 Marty Anderson - Vice President  
 Mac Sipe - Vice President  
 Ricki Brown - Treasurer  
 Faye Dodson - Secretary  
 Henry McGinty - Assistant Secretary  
 Kimberley Cole - Foundation Advisor

### 2010-2011 DIRECTORS

Two Year:

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

One Year:

Rob Allen, Roy Dent, Lew Lewis, Dick Kincaid, Don Paige