

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



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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, 5:30 p.m., MCM Elegante Suites

90 years of changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

That's the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

It's time to celebrate those years, all the good we have been able to do and all the people who have made it possible.

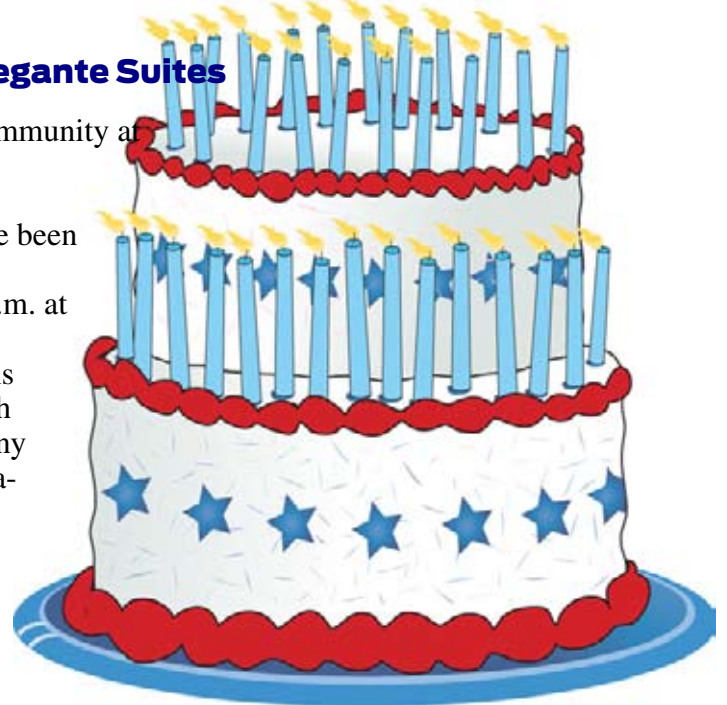
Our celebration will be Saturday, Feb. 26th, at 5:30 p.m. at the MCM Elegante Suites on Ridgemont Drive.

Texas-Oklahoma District Governor Sam Curry and his wife, members of the Kiwanis Club of Fort Worth (which was our founding club), Lt. Gov. Steven Leggett and many fellow Kiwanians will be there for the dinner and celebration.

The Memory Men will perform.

And we will present our \$50,000 to Hendrick Children's Hospital.

You don't want to miss this evening.



PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE

by Lora Lynn Christensen

Thank you Russell Berry for another great appearance by "High Valley." What a great crowd we had to hear a wonderful program. Thank you Nancy Miller for allowing us to make our Canadian neighbors feel welcome by including the singing of "O, Canada."

This is the week of the big event we have been planning for several months. Please remember do NOT come to the Country Club on Wednesday, as there will be no regular meeting. (If you need to sign up at the "Round Table," Dick Kincaid will be at the Country Club for that.)

Everyone is expected to bring a guest and come to the big celebration this Saturday at 5:30 p.m. at the MCM Elegante Suites. Ninety

years of being a very active club and a viable part of the Abilene community should be celebrated by all.

The Texas-Oklahoma Governor Sam Curry will be the featured speaker; other special guests include our own Past Governor Nancy Miller, Mayor Norm Archibald representing Hendrick Medical Center, Lt. Governor Steven Leggett, Ft. Worth Kiwanis Club members (our sponsoring club in 1921!), and all of our club award winning members. Please make your reservation by Tuesday, February 22 and join us for a good time.

Wear your Kiwanis pins, Kiwanis awards, your best bib and tucker and celebrate!

Historical Moments

1970

Nib Shaw planned for the Club's 50th anniversary observance in 1971. Ticket sales kicked off on March 11 using the Apollo Flight as a theme for selling tickets for 50c, the same price charged since the beginning of the supper. The Event was moved to the new Taylor County Coliseum: 1000 persons at one sitting

1971

John G. Tower, Senior Senator from Texas, spoke at the 50th celebration banquet. A check in the amount of \$350 was presented to the Girl Scout Council which will be used to build a screened-in

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

On our prayer list

- Praise that Charles Kirkpatrick was back after falling in January. He is still on crutches but doing well.
- Pray for Henry McGinty whose son-in-law passed away recently. Pray for travel mercies as Henry and his daughter make the long trip to Arkansas for the funeral.
- Praise that H.B. Terry was back at Kiwanis this week
- Pray for Jim Miller who has been in the hospital with pneumonia
- Remember Bill and Ginger Zavatson and health issues for them
- Remember Leonard Brock who is at the Oaks at Radford Hills, room 40
- Remember Clarence Presswood who would sure like to see visitors
- Praise Zack Briley was at the meeting today!

Club attire

Wear your Kiwanis colors and emblem proudly. Polo shirts and T-shirts are being special ordered for our club.

The shirts will be a royal blue, with “Kiwanis Club of Abilene” in gold thread on the left front of the shirt.

Will Smith has taken on this project to boost our visibility and pride in our Kiwanis Club. Ordering sheets will be available at the next 2 or 3 meetings. The more shirts ordered, the lower the price.

Everyone should be clad in Kiwanis shirts for Pancake Day as well as being topped off with a Kiwanis cap. Wearing the shirts caps frequently can also spark interest of potential members. It has been a few years since these things were made readily available, please take advantage of the ease of purchasing these items.

Calendar:

- Feb. 23: No Regular Meeting. Round Table only.
- Feb. 23: New member orientation

Feb. 26th: 90th Anniversary Celebration, MCM Elegante Suites 5:30 p.m.

March 8: Division 35 Council Meeting-Beehive Restaurant

Apr. 30: PANCAKE DAY

July 7-10: 96th Annual Kiwanis International Convention, Geneva Switzerland

Aug. 25-29: Tx-Ok Convention at Sea.

Attention all new members

New Member Orientation is planned this Wednesday, Feb. 23rd, at noon.

Our four new members should plan on attending. If you have been a member for several months, but never had an official “new member orientation,” you should come. If you have been a member for more than several months, but may have questions about Kiwanis, you should come also.

Nancy Miller and Kristen Carnohan are presenting this. Contact either one of them for details.

February Guest Focus

Bring a Friend (February 16th is last Wednesday meeting of month).

Checks

It's time to renew Criminal Background Investigation-Renewal due for most members. Forms will be available at the March 2nd meeting.

Chew on this

Gumball Report – Earl Williams

- 1,153 Machines in operation
- 90 Machines read in January
- Total collected for January 2011: \$332.88
- Grand Total to Date: \$246,842.40

Mid-Winter Conference

Kudos to Nancy Miller and Will Smith who attended Mid-Winter Conference on Feb. 12th in Irving, Texas

Presidential Pause continued

camping cabin at Camp Booth Oaks.

1972

The Support of Churches Committee arranged for a Christmas

Season Project on December 16th for local nursing homes. The first part is for a musical program at all of the homes by groups from local schools. The second involves Kiwanians taking ambulatory residents on a tour of the city to see the homes that are lighted for the

season. Jim Jennings reported that 3,820 miles were traveled by our club members in three Interclub trips out of town during January. Another lot across from the Boy Scout building on 2340 South Jackson St. has been secured for the Boy Scouts use.

Kiwanis Club of Abilene Weekly Meeting 02/16/11 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Lora Lynn Christensen
Prayer	Don Riddle
Music.....	Nancy Miller
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Doug Williamson
Guests.....	Jeff Goodin
Brag Basket.....	Jonathan Gibbs

Program

A Big Thank You goes out to David Jones for providing the sound system. David had to be there early to set it up, operate it, and tear it down, so that was a tremendous, but vital, sacrifice of time and effort. We certainly appreciate David's attention to this detail.

Russell Berry introduced our program.

This was a "return performance" for High Valley and another terrific program.

The group of three brothers who are from Canada performed songs from their CD titled "When You Call my Name," "Ain't No Way to Treat God's Own Son," "Call Me Old Fashioned," which was a #1 song in Canada last year, and "A Father's Love (The only way he knew how)." The song, "A Father's Love," was sung especially for Paula Berry.

The group also sang a beautiful, (Low German) Mennonite love song to guest Bobbi Bieberly.

Collected @ the meeting

Brag Basket.....	\$15.00
Cup Money.....	\$40.83

New Members

New Member	Sponsor
Roy Cloud	Russell Berry
T-Roy Dodson	Faye Dodson
Christine Curtis-Carr.....	Faye Dodson
Tim Adcock	Lora Lynn Christensen

Guests

Guests.....	Guest of Member
Kristy Williams	Russell Leavenworth
Joan Batson	David Batson
Elaine Kirkpatrick.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Jeremy Goldmeire.....	Doug Williamson
Lynssi Shanklin.....	Mark & Twyla Young
Ashley Larry	Mark & Twyla Young
Laretta Blackburn.....	Curtis Blackburn
Gus White	Curtis Blackburn
Candy White	Curtis Blackburn
Paula Berry.....	Russell Berry
Robert Lemen.....	Russell Berry
Kay Lemen.....	Russell Berry
Lt. Gov. Steven Leggett.....	Greater Abilene
George Woodfin	Greater Abilene
James Estes	Greater Abilene
Bobbi Bieberly	Greater Abilene

Thank You's

Here are some excerpts from the thank you notes that we've received for our recent Pancake Dollar donations:

- "Thank you so much for your donation to the Trent Livestock Association. I know economic times are tough, but your continued support of the youth of the Trent community is greatly appreciated. Thank you so very much."

-- Alisha Townsend

- "I would like to thank you for donating to the Trent FFA Livestock Association. "

-- Joe Valdez

- "On behalf of the Jim Ned FFA, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your donation to the 2011 Jim Ned Stock Show. Your generous support allows countless students to prosper by advancing to major stock shows and fund future projects. Your donation not only awards exhibitors, but allows them to expand their knowledge of money management and responsibility. "

-- Gunner Sansing

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

by Randy Williams

In 1987, I lost my Dad to Pancreatic Cancer.

In 1996, I lost my mother to Breast Cancer.

In both situations, the doctors would tell my parents that their

condition would be "terminal."

They went to great lengths to even avoid the word.

Privately, the doctors told my brother and me that my Dad would have about 3-5 months and my

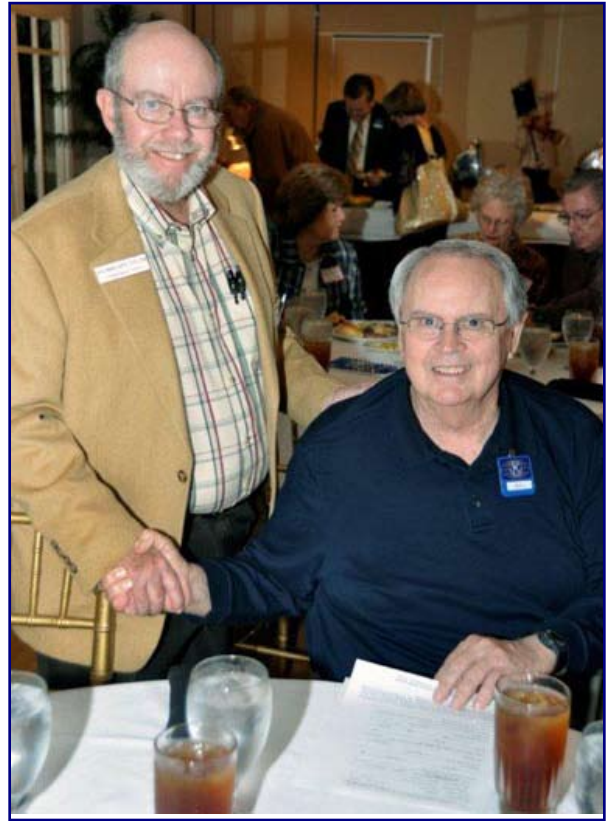
Mother 3-3.5 yrs.

"Why avoid the inevitable", I thought.

Emerson wrote, "Of all ills that

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PICTURE THIS



Clockwise from top left, High Valley serenades Bobbi Biberley, visiting us on an Interclub from Greater Abilene.

Jerry Harris welcomes Charles Kirkpatrick back to the meeting, after breaking his ankle several weeks ago.

Russell Leavenworth brought Kristy Williams as his guest.

The dessert table was a popular place to congregate this week.

Two-time T-O Governor Nancy Miller led the singing.

Ken Poynor and Dr. George Knight were caught at the salad bar.

DAVID JONES FILLED IN SHOOTING PICTURES FOR THIS ISSUE OF THE KIWANIGRAM AND ON OUR PHOTO GALLERY ONLINE.



REGISTER FOR TX-OK CONVENTION AT SEA BY MARCH 15 AND SAVE!

Deposits for the cruise convention need to be made by March 15 to guarantee our special Kiwanis prices.

Clubs may reserve a cabin without names at this time for a deposit of \$300 per person.

Registration for the convention may be made after March 15, however, current prices are not guaranteed and some categories may not be available.

For further information contact Marellie Robinson - Marellie2@aol.com or (918) 299-5425.

You may go online and see the brochure at www.txok-kiwanis.org/2011-Cruise-brochure.pdf.

The Convention at Sea registration form is at www.txok-kiwanis.org/2011_Conv-at-Sea_ReservationForm.pdf

Step aboard and "Don't miss the Boat"



Hendrick Pledge

Goal \$50,000.00
Received to Date \$41,634.20
Received week of Feb. 16 ... \$250.00
Monthly Drafts Pending..... 842.50
Balance Needed \$6,773.30
We want to present our \$50,000 check 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.

Kiwanian of the Week returns next week



Spiritual Aims continued

one endures, hope is a cheap and universal cure."

The medical profession knows that a patient may be terminal in their illness but their attitude can determine how they may respond to treatment and actually have a prolonging affect on their life.

"Hope" is a powerful word when applied to how one lives.

The Bible says that we Christians should eagerly await the

fulfillment of our hope in Christ (Gal. 5:5).

Our hope is one of the greatest elements of the foundation of our Christian lives (I Cor. 13:13).

Without this hope we would be the most pitiable of people on earth to have devoted so much of our time and resources for nothing.

With hope there is no obstacle that is too formidable for Christians to face and to overcome (II Cor. 1:7).

So, when the evil one comes to

drag you down and convince you that all is lost and futile, turn to the Lord who has made it plain in His word that despite your circumstances, you are a conqueror in Him.

You want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time"?

Live as though you will live forever, because in Christ Jesus... you will!

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