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TEXAS FORTS TRAIL REGION @ Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, July 6, 2011

With a love of travel, a passion for history and a desire to be part of the development of rural West Texas communities, Margaret Hoogstra, Executive Director of the Texas Forts Trail Region, works to increase tourism within the Texas Forts Trail Region, a 29-county area of Central West Texas.

Our fellow Kiwanian, Margaret works with state agencies, chambers of commerce, convention and visitor bureaus, community development organizations, museums and attractions for community development, hospitality services and tourism promotion.



Margaret Hoogstra

The Texas Forts Trail Region is one of the state's 10 Heritage Trail regions; the "trail" is a recommended 650-mile driving loop through the region that features eight historic frontier forts and the ruins of a Spanish presidio.

Join us Wednesday to hear about the attractions, historic sites and upcoming activities and events within the Forts Trail Region!



PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE *by Lora Lynn Christensen*

I hope each of you had a happy Fourth of July, Independence Day, Happy Birthday to the U. S. of A. Many thanks to Dr. Jeff Cottrell, instructor of low brass at Hardin-Simmons University, for putting some pep in our meeting Wednesday. What a great arrangement of Seventy-Six Trombones — he did not need the other 75!

Attendance at weekly meetings drops a bit during the summer. If you are in town, please come and bring a guest.

Hooray for two new members: John Ruiz and Ronnie Laurence. Now we need two more new ones every week for a few weeks!

Historical moment: 1989

- Jud Powell was our president.
- Abilene Mayor Dale Ferguson proclaimed Nov. 16 as Abilene Gumball Day in recognition of Earl Williams presenting to President Powell a check for \$530.58 which pushed the Gumball proceeds over the \$100,000 plateau. A drive to secure more machine locations put the total to 1,400. Marcus Anderson placed 35 machines in the drive.
- Melvin Martin and David Hess organized a Golf Tournament at the Abilene Country Club; 50 Kiwanians participated.
- The Children's Miracle Network Telethon re-

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KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE Weekly Meeting June 29, 2011 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....Lora Lynn Christensen
 Prayer.....Dub Pritchett
 MusicDavid Jones
 PianoJamie Breed
 PledgeRon Carroll
 GuestsRoy Dent
 PhotographsCharles Kirkpatrick
 Brag Basket.....by Marty Anderson - \$9.00
 Cup Money\$31.68
 Kiwanian of the Week Introducer.....Keith Garner
 Kiwanian of the Week.....Jamie Breed

In our prayers

- Jarrell Young is out of ICU
- Dale Morrison’s granddaughter, Callie Cochran who had surgery on June 22nd at Cooks Children’s Hospital for a brain tumor
- H.B. Terry who is in the hospital
- LuGene Lewis who is undergoing medical testing
- Dorothy Dowell, wife of Gordon Dowell
- 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 – visitors welcome

Guests

GuestsGuest of Member
 Nedra PageBill Hoogstra
 Aslan Carter.....Jerry Carter
 Nell CarterJerry Carter
 Kathy CurtisChristine Curtis-Carr
 Amanda MartinChristine Curtis-Carr
 Jeff Cottrell.....Club

Last week’s program

What a fantastic program last week with Jeff Cottrell and Lora Lynn Christensen. Twenty-five minutes of patriotic tunes and the stories behind many of them.

Among the favorites were “You’re a Grand Old Flag,” “God Bless America,” “Yankee Doodle Dandy,” “Star-Spangled



Banner,” “It’s a Long Way to Berlin,” “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” and “76 Trombones.”

Be sure and go to the club’s Facebook page and view David Jones’ video of the “76 Trombones” performance. You’ll be marching around the house.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



One of our new members, John Ruiz, President Nedra Pate of the Aktion Club at the Abilene State Supported Learning Center, and Bill Hoogstra at last week’s meeting.

Great to see Nedra

Nedra Pate is the President of the Aktion Club at the Abilene State Supported Living Center. This Kiwanis club is making a difference in the lives of the residents at the center, both the members of the club and others.

Bill Hoogstra bragged on the great leadership that Nedra provides and also on how in the few years the club has been in existence, she has made great strides personally.

“Nedra is a great Kiwanian,” Bill said.

Nedra, keep up the super work.

Boys & Girls Club appeal

Kimberley Cole thanked the club for its continuing support of the Boys & Girls Club of Abilene. We’ve chosen the local clubs as one of the groups who we strongly support each year.

Kimberley said, like most nonprofit organizations these days, the clubs are experiencing financial problems and could certainly use any donations that our individual members could make.

Kimberley serves on the BGC Board, and our former President, Mark Young, is the Executive Director.

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President Lora Lynn Christensen, Membership Chair Kirk Hancock and Ronnie Laurance

Welcome Ronnie Laurance

Ronnie Laurance of St. John's Episcopal School is the newest members of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. His membership was sponsored by Faye Dodson, but since she was out of town, Membership Chair Kirk Hancock introduced him.

Ronnie, we are excited to have you as a member, now it's time to get to work for the children of Abilene and the world.

Help for Joplin victims

Former two-time Texas-Oklahoma District Governor Nancy Miller announced a Division project to help the students and teachers affected by the tornado in Joplin, Missouri. She encouraged everyone to bring supplies for students and for teachers to our meetings in July. Global Samaritan Resources is helping coordinate the effort.

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

By Randy Williams

I am one of those people who spends hundreds of dollars on a boat and fishing equipment and trips to the lake. But, I don't even eat fish.

When my kids can go, I love to take them fishing and they seem to thoroughly enjoy the time.

However, I also like to go by myself. No one to talk with, no radio, just me and the outdoors.

It is a place that I do a lot of thinking. Thinking about what I plan to do that week or projects that I'm working on or maybe just listen for the voice of the Lord. Truth is, I just like to be "out there". It renews me somehow.

In Mark 6:31, it says, "Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come with me

by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." Today, we can be so active and so busy that we miss the need to "find a quiet place."

Men, if your wife is home all day with the kids are you making sure she has an opportunity to "find a quiet place?"

It's like being the caregiver for someone who is ill. If the caregiver does not take care of themselves first, then the care they provide may be lacking.

You want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time"? Make sure that you are regularly "finding a quiet place" for yourself so that the service you give will be healthy and full of life giving energy.

Quality family time at Kiwanis

Christine Curtis-Carr's mother Kathy Curtis (left) and sister Amanda Martin (right) enjoyed the program.



Nell and Jerry Carter loved bringing granddaughter Aslan Carter to hear the patriotic musical program



Presidential Pause continued

ceived \$500 from the Pancake Supper income.

- Young Amber Jensen came to the club meeting on June 14 to thank us for her myo electric arm. The Club had contributed \$500 toward this.

- Seventy individual contributions were made to

the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation making an increase of \$10,000 in the capitol to \$40,000. \$4,000 was given in scholarships.

- The Kiwanis Club of Abilene sponsored a city wide Fourth of July Celebration at the Wedge in Nelson Park. Senator Phil Gramm was the speaker.

CALENDAR

- July 13: Club meeting @ noon Abilene Country Club
Dr. Steve Lyons, meteorologist in charge @ National Weather Service San Angelo and formerly with The Weather Channel
- July 20: Club meeting @ noon Abilene Country Club
Abilene Youth Sports Authority program
- July 21: Kiwanis Club of Abilene Board meeting - Noon -
Bogies Downtown
- July 27: Club meeting @ noon Abilene Country Club
State Senator Troy Fraser with an update from the recently completed legislative session
- August 9: Division Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Cotton Patch Restaurant (Note: No Division Council meeting in July)
- August 25-29: Tx Ok Convention at Sea
(President Lora Lynn Christensen will attend)

This year's new members

Member.....	Sponsor
Ronnie Laurance	Faye Dodson
John Ruiz	Bill Hoogstra
Roy Cloud	Russell Berry
T-Roy Dodson.....	Faye Dodson
Christine Curtis-Carr	Faye Dodson
Tim Adcock	Lora Lynn Christensen

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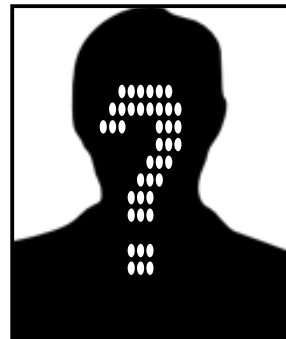
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KIWANIAN OF THE WEEK



1. I was born in Stockton, California.
2. I grew up in Stockton, California.
3. I have lived in Abilene since 1977.
4. I moved to Abilene from Stockton, California.
5. I graduated from Amos Alonzo Stagg High School and attended Delta Junior College, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene Christian University, and California State University, Stanislaus.
6. My hobbies include music (guitar, piano, and vocal) and fishing.
7. I have been a Kiwanian for 4 years, all in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.
8. Kiwanis offices include Vice President.

*Last week's Kiwanian of the Week was
Jamie Breed*

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:	One Year:
Twyla Young	Rob Allen
Kirk Hancock	Roy Dent
Guy Lucas,	Lew Lewis
Royce Manning	Dick Kincaid
Will Smith	Don Paige