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ABILENE YOUTH SPORTS AUTHORITY **Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, July 20, 2011**

The Abilene Youth Sports Authority will be the topic of our guest speaker Mike Walls during our next meeting.

AYSA is founded on Christian principles and exists to promote the highest ideals of teamwork, sportsmanship, honesty, trust and respect for authority with the specific purpose of influencing kids and adults to become better individuals.

AYSA is committed to the healthy growth and development of each child in a vibrant family-friendly community, and a path for excellence and continued growth of organized youth team sports.

Mike Walls is an attorney in the Law Office of Sam J. Chase and an AYSA Board member.

Photo courtesy of Thomas Metthe/Reporter-News
Dixie's Chris Castel leaps on to home plate to score after teammate Tyler Baker's two-run homerun in the top of the fifth inning of Dixie's 9-6 loss to Cedar Creek in the District 5 Little League Tournament on June 28, 2011, at Dixie Little League Field.



Let's help the tornado victims in Joplin, Missouri

This week and next you have a chance to help tornado victims in , Missouri in a direct manner. As a Division 35 project, all clubs and members are asked to donate school supplies for both teachers and students. Nancy Miller will be personally delivering these items.

It is wonderful to be in an organization where our own members are often the hands delivering aid to victims of disasters, man-made or nature-made.

If you forget to purchase these items, please feel



free to make a monetary donation and someone will go shopping for you. We'll just pass the hat at the meetings on July 20 and 27 for everyone's convenience.

PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE *by Lora Lynn Christensen*

Well, once again we talked about the weather but didn't do anything about it. Dr. Steve Lyons drove all the way from San Angelo to tell us what we all knew: it is a really hot summer! It will be interesting to see how many more records are broken this summer.

Historical moment 1991

- Mike Singleton is president.
- Thirty-six Kiwanians were involved in delivering Meals on Wheels.

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KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting July 13, 2011

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Prayer.....	Van Boozer
Music	Charles Kirkpatrick
Piano	Jamie Breed
Pledge	Zach Briley
Guests	Curtis Blackburn
Photographs	Charles Kirkpatrick
Cup Money	\$31.48

In our prayers

- Remember Tom Aguilar whose wife passed away this last week. Services were held on Friday July 8th.
- Don Riddle – Health issues
- Jarrell Young – Diagnosed with cancer and several complications at this time
- Remember to pray for the family of Johnny Robinson, past president of Key City North Kiwanis Club. Johnny passed away on July 1st.
- Gordon Dowell who is in Japan
- 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

Guest

Guest.....	Guest of Member
Judith Phaneuf	Mark Hoover
Gary Jay.....	Greater Abilene

Last week's program

Dr. Steve Lyons, Meteorologist-in-Charge at the National Weather Service in San Angelo, spoke to our club last week. Doug Williamson introduced him.

Dr. Lyons, the former hurricane and waves expert on The Weather Channel, gave us a comprehensive look at the terrible drought we are experiencing. He really didn't have any short-term good news for us.

One-hundred-degree days are moving closer and



Dr. Steve Lyons

closer to Abilene's record of 43 in a season.

The city's 6 inches of rain is woefully shy of the average, and certainly what is needed.

He briefed us on National Weather Service terminology, and told us that he is vigorously working with officials in Washington to revise some of the wording to make it more general-public-friendly.

Club members had a number of questions for this special expert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Horse Show help needed

Contact Gary Bomar to volunteer for the State Horse Show event. Lots of help is needed.

Sign up on the website:

<http://eit-data.tamu.edu/HorseShow/gen/db/horse-config.asp>

Recent Interclub

July 13- Kiwanis Club of Sweetwater: Nancy Miller presented the program on Wednesday. Traveling with her to Sweetwater were Keith Garner, Roy Dent and William Smith. Will reported that Nancy presented a great program to the club and shared the need for school supplies for teachers and students in Joplin, Missouri.

Help for Joplin Victims

Remember to bring school supplies for students and teachers to help those affected by the tornado in Joplin, Missouri. This is a Division 35 project through the month of July. Contact Nancy Miller for additional details.

Gumball Report from 'King' Earl Williams

- 1,143 Machines in operation
- 296 Machines read in June
- \$421.08 received
- \$248,840.64 GRAND TOTAL (WOW! Getting mighty close to that \$250,000.00 mark!)

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



Carl Lockett reported on the International Convention in Geneva



Dennis Laster was back from a three week visit with his daughter in Australia.



Mark Hoover brought his wife, Judith Phaneuf, as his guest.



Right, Doug Williamson introduced Dr. Lyons Far right, Melvin Martin. Wonder what he's smiling about...

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE *By Randy Williams*

Have you ever used the phrase “I have every reason in the world”? I sure have.

If you think about it, what we’re really saying is “I have every reason to do whatever it is I’m doing in the world’s eyes and not necessarily in my heavenly Father’s!

In I Samuel 16:7, when Samuel was called by God to anoint Israel’s next king. He was sure that God’s choice would be Jesse’s eldest son Eliab but wasn’t exactly what God had in mind. God chose the least likely of Jesse’s sons, David, because he “was a man after God’s own heart.”

You see, while we may be looking carefully on the outward appearance, God carefully examines the heart.

When we make decisions, do we have the heart of God in mind and not our own reasoning or researching or weighing of the circumstances?

If you’re facing a big decision today, what may seem a perfectly good opportunity to you may not necessarily be God’s choice!

Gaye Lynn and I have found that God must be in the middle of all our decisions if we have any hope of making right choices.

You want to “Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time”? Seek the heart of God in all things. Actually, He says in Proverbs 3:6: “In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.” Ya gotta love that.

Presidential Pause continued

• Nancy Miller was the Chairman of Division 35 Children’s Miracle Network Telethon. She visited every club in the division and got a contribution from every club. The division’s goal of \$7,500 was met. This support resulted in three new beds in the intensive care facility at The Meek Children’s Center.

- Kiwanians contributed 159 hours of community service to the Taylor County State 4-H Horse Show.
- Monthly dues increased from \$24.00 to \$28.00. This was deemed necessary because of the increase in the meal cost and increases in District and International Dues over the years. The increase became effective Sept. 1, 1991. Guest meals were \$5.75.

Report-International Convention, Geneva Switzerland, July 2011

By Carl Lockett

Attending convention were Carl Lockett and Dick Kincaid

1. The opening session key note speaker was “Jane Goodall.” You all will remember her as the lady who spent a lifetime studying chimpanzees her topic was “Reason for Hope and the Way Ahead.”

2. Business session was the shortest I have attended and I have attended five international conventions. It was short because there were only two amendments. Both were submitted by the Blue Island, Illinois Club:

A. Have the International Convention conducted in real time on the Internet.

B. Conduct all voting in real time on the Internet.

There was no one in attendance from the Blue Island Club, therefore when the motions were called there was no one to make the motions. And the pro-

posals never made it to the floor

3. Elections:

President..... Allen Penn, Medina , Ohio.
President-Elect. Thomas DeJulio, Bronxville, NY
VPGunter Gasser, Spittal an der Drau, Austria
Trustee.....Jane Erickson, Nebraska - Iowa District
Trustee.....Stephen T. Hill, Milford, Connecticut
Trustee..... Warren F. Mitchell, Greeley, Colorado
Trustee-At LargeClinton Green,
..... Napier, New Zealand

4. A very good presentation was made on the International Project “ELIMINATE”, Kiwanis eliminating Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus. The Kiwanis MISSION is to raise \$110 million by 2015 to help protect millions of mothers and their future babies around the world; 22,000 babies die daily from neonatal tetanus, the death rate is 95% once the tetanus is contacted.

Bill and Melinda Gates have given \$26 million to this effort.

CALENDAR

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)

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