

THE SEVEN 'SMARTS' OF CHILDREN Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, August 3, 2011

Gaye Lynn Williams will be speaking to our club this week on the 7 "Smarts" of children – how to identify natural giftings in the children in your life, and foster those gifts as well as provide opportunities to help in their weaker areas.

Gaye Lynn graduated from Abilene Christian University in 1980 with a BSed in education with a music minor.

She has taught in both public and private school settings for 25 years, and prior to that, taught piano.

She is currently employed with AISD as a reading teacher at Long

Elementary.

Gaye Lynn is the wife of Randy Williams (31 years) and has 3 married children, 2 grandchildren, and one on the way! Son, Justin, with wife, Hope, and 2 daughters, Hannah, 4 years, and Alexis, 1 year old; daughter, Kristen, married to Brandon Pierce; and daughter, Cara, married to Brenton Dowdy, and expecting – all living in Abilene!

Gaye Lynn has also served as director of the Children's Chorus of Chorus, Abilene for the past 6 years.

Bring a guest for this very informative program.



PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE *by Lora Lynn Christensen*

Thank you Doug Williamson for persuading Senator Troy Fraser to speak to our Kiwanis Club last Wednesday.

The Senator gave a most informative speech on several subjects. We were honored to have him as our program; this was certainly the highlight of the summer.

What a Pancake Payday!

Kudos to all members and Charles Kirkpatrick as "Pancake General" on raising more money this year than last.

\$33,125 is a good amount to start off the 2011-2012 year in our quest to help many organizations in our community.

Historical Moment 1993

- Roy Lewis was president; 261 members.
- President Lewis gave a \$2 bill each week to the



Pancake Day Treasurer Henry McGinty (right) presented the bottom line check from this year's event to President-Elect Charles Kirkpatrick. The \$33,000-plus total was an increase from last year.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE Weekly Meeting July 27, 2011 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Prayer.....	Roy Den
Music.....	Ken Poynor
Piano.....	Jamie Breed
Pledge.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Guests.....	Ricki Brown
Photographs.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Brag Basket by Van Boozer.....	\$10.00
Cup Money.....	\$44.40

In our prayers

- Pray for Nancy Miller’s sister, Mary Fikes who will have back surgery soon. Mary lives in Magnolia, Texas. This is a very serious surgery and will take some extensive time for healing. Nancy plans to travel to Magnolia to be with her sister for a least a couple of weeks.
- Remember Tom Aguilar whose wife passed away recently. It was good to see Tom at the meeting on 7/27/11
- Don Riddle – Health issues
- LuGene Lewis – Health issues
- Jarrell Young – is home now. Remember to keep Jarrell in your prayers.
- 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
- Remember Ron Carroll’s grandson who is in Afghanistan and all men and women serving in the military to protect our freedom
- Pray for local, state and federal leaders

Guests

Guest.....	Guest of Member
Mayor Norm Archibald.....	Russell Berry
Cody Foster.....	Russell Berry
Blake Woodall.....	Doug Williamson
Jeff Salmon.....	Margaret Hoogstra
Joan Batson.....	David Batson
Jerry Reed.....	Abilene Reporter-News
Gary Jay.....	Greater Abilene
James Estes.....	Greater Abilene
Bobbi Bieberly.....	Greater Abilene
Valencia Stevens.....	Greater Abilene

Last week’s program

Russell Berry introduced State Senator Troy Fraser, an Abilene native as the speaker.



Mayor Normal Archibald and Senator Fraser discuss politics.



Senator Troy Fraser presented the program. He was introduced by Russell Berry.

Senator Fraser saluted Kiwanians for our long history of service in the community and the difference we make in people’s lives.

He certainly presented a very informative program as he shared details from the last legislative session. Topics ranged from division of districts, to the oil and gas industry, education and of course water challenges.

When asked if he would consider serving as Lt. Governor or Governor of the State of Texas, Senator Fraser stated he could not ignore the opportunity if it was presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recent Interclub

July 25: Key City North: Donald McDonald, Kelly Jones, Van Boozer, Ken Poynor, Royce Manning and Will Smith

Left to right,

Blake Woodall, Abilene District Coordinator for Senator Fraser, was a guest of Doug Williamson.

Cody Foster was a guest of Russell Berry.

Jeff Salmon was the guest of Margaret Hoogstra.



SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

By Randy Williams

I received the following email the other day and thought I'd share it with you.

The shortest chapter in the Bible is Psalm 117.

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The chapter in the center of the Bible is Psalm 118 with 594 chapters before and after it.

The center verse of the Bible is Psalm 118:8. God's perfect will for our lives is in Psalm 118:8.

Next time someone says they want to find God's perfect will for their lives and that they want to be

in the center of His will, point them to Psalm 118:9, which says "It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man."

You think God was in the center of this?

When things get tough, always remember... faith doesn't get you around trouble, it gets you through it.

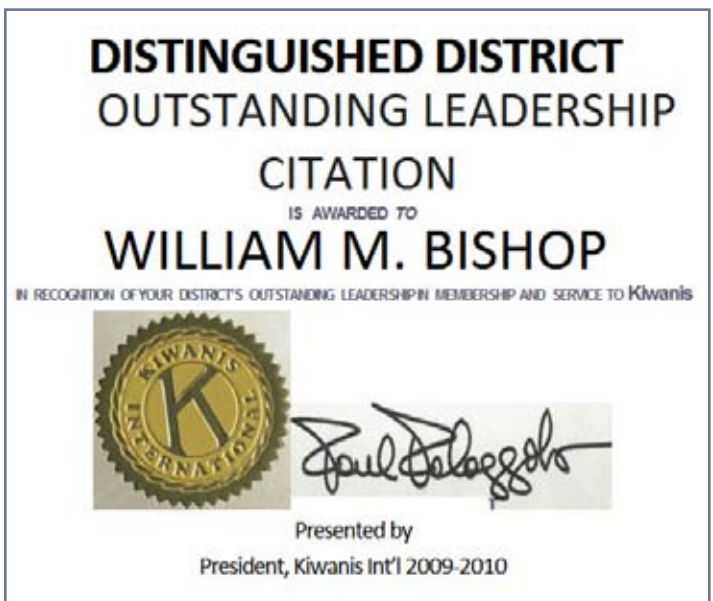
You want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time"? Ask God! Relinquish the desire to control your future, in so doing you will obtain true happiness.

Texas-Oklahoma District designated as a 'Distinguished District'

At the International Convention in Geneva, Switzerland, on 9 July 2011, Immediate Past Kiwanis International President Paul Palazzolo announced that the Texas-Oklahoma District was designated as DISTINGUISHED for the 2009 – 2010 Kiwanis year. This is a great honor for the District.

I want each and every one of you to know that even though my name appears on the certificate, you are the ones that deserve the credit. You are the ones who made it possible. I am proud of you and all that you did to make this happen. Your support throughout the year was magnificent! Ann and I treasure the many friends we have in the District.

William M. Bishop
Immediate Past Governor



Membership focus for August is City Employees

Invite a city employee to our meeting. It's not only a membership development action, but also a 'thank you' to the folks who serve us.

CALENDAR

August 6: Ramp Project
contact Kelly Jones for details or to volunteer

August 9: Division Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m. -
Cotton Patch Restaurant
Incoming Vice Presidents: This would be a great opportunity for you to attend and learn more about the "bigger picture". All Kiwanians are encouraged to attend, especially new members.

Aug. 17: Club meeting @ noon Abilene Country Club
Chef Sandy Davis will talk to us about the TSTC Culinary Institute here in Abilene, and he'll share his thoughts on future trends in food.

Aug. 18: Board Meeting - Bogie's Downtown - Noon

August 25-29: Tx Ok Convention at Sea
(President Lora Lynn Christensen will attend)

Presidential Pause continued

Kiwanian who was the sixth person to greet the "mystery" person. This worked very well to get Kiwanians to know each other better.

- The club again supported the project of the Abilene Volunteer Weatherization Program by contributing \$100 and volunteer workers. They weatherized 75 homes of elderly or handicapped persons.
- Goodwill Industries received a \$2000 check from the club to purchase a used pickup truck which put three more people to work.
- Membership Chairman Jerry Harris sacrificed his looks by growing a beard. If the club members brought in 30 new members during the summer he would shave it off, 31 and he would shave his head.
- The club donated \$1,000 to Disabilities Resources, Inc. giving them enough money to receive a \$100,000 matching grant.
- The Kiwanis Office moved back to its old location at 473 Cypress Street from 1390 Sayles Blvd.

Kiwanis is...

A family of servant leaders: Kiwanis Clubs focus on

**changing the world
by serving children, one child
and one community at a time.**

To do this, many clubs also sponsor a Kiwanis family club—K-Kids for primary school children; Builders Clubs for adolescents; Key Clubs for teens; CKI clubs university students and Aktion Clubs for adults living with disabilities—to reach more people and have a greater service impact on their communities.

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