

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



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CELEBRATIONS MEETING

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, September 28, 2011

This Wednesday's meeting will be our Celebrations Meeting.

Under President Lora Lynn Christensen, it's been a great year-long celebration of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene's 90th year and all the good things we have been able to accomplish over all that time.

Wear your Hixson medals and other Kiwanis honors and pins; wear your Kiwanis shirts, if feasible.

Invite guests and spouses, as many of you will be recognized for your service as Kiwanians.

Our meeting will, as usual, be at noon in the second-floor ballroom of the Abilene Country Club at 4039 South Treadaway Blvd.

Recognitions to be made include Kiwanian of the Year, Bailey Choate Award, perfect attendance years, Legion of Honor members, outgoing officers and board, dear members lost this year, and new members.

If you're a Kiwanian, you need to be present at this meeting!

If you are not a Kiwanian, you should be!

PRESIDENTIAL PAUSE *by Lora Lynn Christensen*

This outgoing president thanks you, Kiwanis Club of Abilene, for a successful year. We celebrated 90 years of service to the children and the community of Abilene and had fun along the way. It was an honor to have T-O Governor Sam Curry at our official 90th celebration.

Thank you Board of Directors. You were a faithful board to attend meetings and when dilemmas arose, you took turns coming forth with great ideas on how to solve any problems or improve our club.

Thank you Vice Presidents, Mac Sipe, Mark Hoover and Marty Anderson. You, too, were faithful to attend board meetings and fill in for the president at division council meetings occasionally. You attended to your oversight of committees and stepped up to do extra jobs all year long. Mark presided at meetings when the president had to be



away. Marty spearheaded a very successful Silent Auction which added greatly to the coffers of Pancake Day. Mac served faithfully on the program committee and presented a great program himself.

Many thanks and congratulations to Doug Williamson and Charles Kirkpatrick on the high standards of our communications through the Kiwanigram and the Kiwanis web site. Those are duties that never end; they have to be done 52 weeks a year!

Thank you "King" Earl Williams and Mike Casey for the Gum Ball donations. When he gives the September report in a few weeks, the total income from Gum Ball machines (since about 1950) will top a quarter million dollars! To think that this much money has grown from what at first was just one-eighth of a cent to this amount of money is astounding.

Thank you Jamie Breed for another year heading up an amazing Program Committee which continues to bring great programs week after week. One highlight of the year: Senator Troy Fraser.

Thank you Jerry Carter for helping the president "cleanse" the Kiwanis office. Your muscles were needed to haul off unused furniture bits and tons of outdated records and other paper.

Thank you Twyla Young and Bill Hoogstra for being such faithful sponsors of the Aktion club. What a difference you and they are making in the lives of so many people. Nedra Pape has to be the best Aktion club president ever!

It has been a good year, but there is lots more to be done. Incoming president Charles Kirkpatrick will be asking you all to step up and serve with cheerful hearts for another year and I'm sure you will accept the challenge with a smile and will to serve.

Thanks for letting me be your president.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting September 21, 2011

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Prayer.....	Keith Garner
Music.....	Russell Berry
Piano.....	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	LuGene Lewis
Guests.....	Dennis Laster
Photographs.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Brag Basket by David Bacon.....	\$1.00
Cup Money.....	\$21.68

In our prayers

- Jarrell Young – Praise Report: Jarrell had a PET scan which shows no sign of cancer. His Blood Clot is breaking up. He does have some infection in his abdomen and is receiving treatment. Jarrell hopes to be at a meeting soon. Thank you Keith Garner for the update.
- H.B. Terry, Bill and Ginger Zavatson and health issues for them
- Leonard Brock who is at the Oaks at Radford Hills, room 40
- Clarence Presswood
- Ron Carroll's grandson who is in Afghanistan

Guests

Guest.....	Guest of Member
Cynthia Pearson, Day Nursery of Abilene.....	Club Nedra Pape, Aktion Club.....
.....	Nancy Miller & Bill Hoogstra
Sheila Davis, Aktion Club.....	Nancy Miller & Bill Hoogstra
David Sims.....	Pam McGrew
George Woodfin.....	Interclub, Greater Abilene
Roma Howard.....	Interclub, Greater Abilene
Gary Jay.....	Interclub, Greater Abilene
Gail Jay.....	Interclub, Greater Abilene
James Estes.....	Key City North Club
Jill Coleman.....	Key City North Club

Meet our new members

New Member.....	Sponsor
Kent Harring.....	Pam McGrew
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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The program

Jonathan Gibbs introduced Dr. Sandra Hazelip as the speaker. This was an exceptional program and I think it would be safe to say those in attendance are better informed about many medical issues we experience as we grow older.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

More than 'fairly' good

Dennis Laster reported The Kiwanis Club of Abilene had 17 people volunteer for a total of 260 hours for the West Texas Fair and Rodeo. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Something to chew on

Gum Ball Report – Earl Williams provided July and August reports as follows:

July: \$355.20
 August: \$488.16
 TOTAL to date: \$249,684.00

Pancake \$\$\$

Roy Dent presented 500 pancake dollars to Cynthia Pearson, CEO of Day Nursery of Abilene. These funds go toward the Day Nursery's family fundraising miniature golf event scheduled for Oct. 1st at Prime Time Family Entertainment Center.

Volunteers are needed for this event. Contact Day Nursery of Abilene to sign up.

Volunteers needed for an easy job

At least 2 House Committee members are needed. This committee is responsible for making the meeting room ready each Wednesday. Contact Charles Kirkpatrick for additional information.



Nedra Pape, President of the Aktion Club, presented a report on the first ever Aktion conference held in Indianapolis. She was accompanied at the conference by Sheila Davis, Twyla Young, and Nancy Miller.



Roy Dent presented Cynthia Pearson, CEO of Day Nursery of Abilene, with a check in the amount of \$500.

Aktion Club Update

Nedra Pape who is president of the Abilene State Supported Living Center Aktion Club gave an excellent report on the Aktion Club Conference held in Indianapolis recently.

Nedra's sponsor, Sheila Davis, along with Kiwanis Club of Abilene members Twyla Young and Nancy Miller accompanied Nedra on this trip.

Nedra expressed sincere appreciation to the club for providing funds which allowed them to attend the conference. She shared several highlights and commended two speakers from the event.

She communicated that she was challenged to become actively involved in helping with the Eliminate Project.

The Aktion club plans to expand its blanket project to help with the Eliminate Project in 2011-2012.

Nedra was inspiring as she shared her experiences. Nancy Miller thanked the club for providing funds for this conference.

We were blessed to watch a short video prepared by Sheila Davis and Nedra which was presented at the conference.

The video was a wonderful portrayal of the efforts of the Aktion Club and the difference they make to those around them.

And the beat goes on

Russell Berry communicated the American Heart Walk is scheduled for October 1st. Members are encouraged to pledge. Donations are welcome as well as participants in this important event. Christine Curtis-Carr, Charles Kirkpatrick and Russell Berry have committed to walk.

In addition the club presented Russell a check in

the amount of \$250 for the event. Russell said \$170 was collected from members during the week of Sept. 14th. Thank you for supporting this important event.

Helping kids for a lifetime

See By Three kicks off with the first screening of children on Sept. 22nd. The program screens young children for "Lazy Eyes," and caught at a young age, it can be 100% cureable.

Contact Glyn Hammons at 673-7485 or glynbetty@aol.com to help with this important service project for children. Dates are:

October 4th, Tuesday: Aldersgate Methodist MDO & Preschool

October 7th, Friday: Aldersgate Methodist MDO & Preschool

October 11, Tuesday: Grandma's House Clyde Tx
October 13th, Thursday: Pioneer Drive Baptist Church

October 20th, Thursday: Minda Street Child Development Center

October 25th, Tuesday: Happy Days Child Care
October 27th, Thursday: St. James Methodist CDC
November 3rd, Thursday: Anson Park Child Care Center

November 8th, Tuesday: FMC Learning Center

November 15th, Tuesday: Glo Day Care Center
All screenings begin at 9:00am

Tee it up for the Boys & Girls Club

The Boys and Girls Club Golf Classic for Kids is October 10th, (Columbus Day holiday). Registration will be at 11 a.m., a meal at noon and tee off at 1 p.m. Cost is \$75 a golfer and sponsorships are still available.

The cool part is the mulligan and raffle money is eligible towards our \$50,000 matching grant.

SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

By Randy Williams

Her name... at least the name we kids at church knew her by was "Sugar."

She was probably in her early 80s, wore way too much makeup, loved the color purple and always wore the biggest, loudest, beaded jewelry. Her perfume was so thick you could see it.

But every Sunday morning there she would be... surrounded by the children for whom she always had candy.

She had no children of her own and she had been widowed for many years. She just loved us kids and we loved her. She always smiled and laughed constantly.

Other than the perfume, you just wanted to be

around her.

And there seemed to be something special you received when she gave you a hug.

In John 16:33, Jesus said, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Now, when I think of Sugar, I think of a woman who clearly had suffered loss and hardship but had found a way in God to live happily and at peace.

You want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a time?" Live outside your struggles and difficulties and focus on bringing a little "candy" to those around you.

CALENDAR

October 1: American Heart Walk - Contact Russell Berry for additional details.

October 1: Day Nursery of Abilene Putt "Fore" Children

October 5: Induction of Officers for 2011-2012

October 11: 1st Division Council Meeting of the new Kiwanis Year.

October 20: 1st Board Meeting of the year.

Interclubs this Week

Sept. 19 - Key City North: Carl Lockett, Jamie Breed, Donald McDonald, Pam McGrew, Ken Poynor, Don Paige, William Smith

Sept. 22 - Greater Abilene: Mac Sipe, Nancy Miller, Twyla Young and Ken Poynor

Sept 22 - Breckenridge: Carl Lockett, Bill Hoogstra, Dick Kincaid, William Smith

Upcoming birthdays

Sept 28: Roy Cloud

Nov 1 Ken A. Poynor

Oct. 2: John Thomas

Nov 2 Jack Harkins

Oct 13 Bobbie Wolfe

Nov 3 Brice West

Oct 22 Rosanna T. Herndon

Nov 4 LuGene Lewis

Oct 23 Manuel Longoria

Nov 10 James L. Shields

Oct 26 James Cassle

Nov 17 Jerry C. Carter

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