

# K *The Kiwanis Club of Abilene* KIWANIGRAM



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## FEWER THAN 76, BUT STILL TROMBONES

### Abilene Country Club

Noon, Wednesday, March 28, 2012

We'll have a great musical program this week.

The Hardin-Simmons University Trombone Ensemble is a group that meets every spring semester to play a wide variety of music.

They play everything from jazz to classical; some pieces performed are written specifically for trombones and some are arranged for



trombones from other instrument's repertoire. At our meeting on Wednesday, they will play jazz favorites such as "Summertime" by George Gershwin, and classics such as the Andante movement from Franz Schubert's String Quartet #4. The ensemble this year is: David Spruiell, Diehlmann Estes, Vianey Gonzales, and Miles Perry. They are directed by Dr. Jeffrey Cottrell.

## Make a mother's love a force for change

In Sierra Leone, Maumie has already suffered through three of her children's deaths. Now she has a baby boy, James, who showed signs of tetanus at birth, but fortunately did not have the disease.

Sierra Leone has become an example of what's possible in countries with maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT). In fact, Maumie and James are precisely the kind of mother and newborn to whom The Eliminate Project gives hope. Thanks to ongoing health care and education, Sierra Leone is on the verge of eliminating MNT.

Through the Eliminate Project,

Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. This deadly disease steals the lives of nearly 60,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year. Our campaign to raise US\$110 million will help vaccinate more than 61 million women, and provide education on safe birthing practices to families and communities where maternal and neonatal tetanus remains a threat around the world.

This Mother's Day and International Women's Day is the perfect opportunity to honor inspirational

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**Maumie and James  
in Sierra Leone**

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**Walk the  
Talk!**

**KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE**  
**‘Walk The Talk’**  
**Weekly Meeting March 21, 2012**  
**Abilene Country Club**

Led Meeting.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Prayer.....	Don Paige
Music .....	Don Scargall
Piano .....	Tim Adcock
Pledge .....	Bill Hoogstra
Guests .....	Mark Young
Photography.....	David Jones
Brag Basket (Donald McDonald).....	\$10.00
Cup Money .....	\$47.65

**Guest**

Guests..... Guest of Member  
 Marcus Anderson ..... Club

**In our prayers**

- Henry McGinty
- Jarrell Young
- Van Boozer
- Leonard Brock
- LuGene Lewis
- Kirby Leeson
- Bill and Ginger Zavatson
- Remember the following spouses:
  - Janice, wife of Guinn Smith
  - Linda, wife of Jud Powell
  - Joan, wife of George Knight

**The program**

Randy Williams and Kimberley Cole were FIRED UP as they presented the Pancake Day Kick Off meeting on March 21st. Randy announced ticket prices would remain the same as previous years. They are \$5.00 per ticket in advance, \$6.00 at the door, a book of 40 tickets is \$160.00 and children under 5 years of age, accompanied by a paying adult, eat free.



**Kimberley Cole**

This is a time for EVERYONE to participate. It is about the children. Randy reminded us that God places great value on children and we should also.

Sell Tickets! It is for the children and the community. Kimberley announced team captains and their team members.

Fired Up Team Captains are:

- Habanera Team Ricki Brown
- Jalapeño Team Van Boozer
- Serrano Team Carl Lockett

Marty Anderson communicated the need for Silent Auction Items. The auction is such a big part of the success of Pancake Day. The goal is to have at least 160 items. We are gaining but have a long way to go. Contact those organizations you obtained donations from last year and ask again. It is important.

Sell Tickets! Buy Tickets! Provide items for the Silent Auction! Get Involved! You Make A Difference!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**Rollin', Rollin', Rollin'**

Catch Me If You Can Bike Ride, hosted by Kiwanis club of Breckenridge will take place in Breckenridge on Saturday May 19th beginning at 8:00 am. Check it out or register at [www.kiwanisbreckenridge.com](http://www.kiwanisbreckenridge.com).

**Volunteer needed**

A Volunteer is needed to help with the Eliminate Project for Division 35. Janet Nelson, President of the Kiwanis Club of Breckenridge communicated at the March Division Council meeting that the division is still in need of a coordinator for this project. Contact Lt. Governor Carl Lockett or Janet Nelson for more details. Janet can be reached at [janelson@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:janelson@ag.tamu.edu).

**Prayer Breakfast is May 31st**

Randy Williams announced the annual Division 35 Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for May 31st at Bobbie Wolfe's barn again this year.

Lay Person of the Year applications were also made available. Please contact Randy or any member of the Spiritual Aims committee for additional information.

For those who may not know about the Lay Person of the Year honor, each club in the division may select someone from their club. A committee from the division will select one from the nominations as Lay Person of the Year for the Division.

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# SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE *By Randy Williams*

Gaye Lynn and I both grew up in families with two children. So, it seemed just natural that we would have two children of our own and we did: A bouncing, energetic little boy followed by a little blonde headed, highly intelligent little girl. And then, 19 months later, came the phone call from the lab: "Mrs. Williams, your blood test was positive." "What does that mean", she responded?

Now we had already had two kids so she knew exactly what that meant but her mind was so conditioned toward the idea of having only two children that the words simply didn't compute. Nine months later our Cara was born and what a blessing she was and is to our lives.

Did you know that God says that children are a gift? Ps. 127:3-5 says, "Behold, children are a gift of the Lord, The fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them."

But do we really put a value on children? Our self-centered society often feels that children are an inconvenience and an un-necessary trouble. Child abuse has become rampant and we have more "throw away" kids

now than ever before.

Children are a huge responsibility and yet we see so many kids just raising themselves or being raised by their older siblings.

God chooses to bless us in many different ways and one significant way is with children. You chose to be a Kiwanian. You said, "Of all the things I could spend my time and money on, I want to help kids."

The Bible portrays the blessing of children to be so much greater than the burden of their care and upbringing. You serve children and God promises that you will be blessed. And you know, He don't lie. The world will often give us the wrong message about the value of children and you must be on your guard to not be drawn to that mentality. After all, you know where that message is coming from.

Do you want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time?" Go read with kids at school. Strike up a conversation with a child in your neighborhood and really, really listen to what they have to say. These kids, our children, they just want to know that they are valued. Be Jesus to the children and they... and you will be blessed. It's a Promise!

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That individual will be announced at the annual prayer breakfast. Each division then submits their recipient to the Tx-Ok District where those applications are reviewed and a Lay Person of the Year is selected for the District. Jamie Breed was selected as Lay Person of the year for the Kiwanis Club of Abilene in 2010-2011.

### We need Silent Auction items

Bring items or money to weekly meeting. Contact Marty Anderson or Christine Curtis-Carr for additional information.

### You can be a 'Go Getter'

Membership Campaign began March 7th. We will track guests brought to each meeting and present a "Go Getter" award to the Kiwanian bringing the most guests each month.

The Kiwanian bringing the most guests (potential members) for the year will be awarded special recognition at the end of the year celebration.

In addition, a member who sponsors a new member into the club will receive a \$50.00 gift card or if the members prefers, the club will make a \$50.00 dona-

tion to a charity of the members choosing.

So Get Ready Everyone! New Members are needed! More Members equal more hands and feet to serve others! "Just Ask" and "Walk the Talk!"

Question: Who is our newest member?

Answer: Edith Smith

### Calendar

- Apr. 4: Club meeting is Spiritual Aims Easter program with Dr. Bill Libby of McMurry University
- Apr. 10: Division Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m., Whitten Inn, East Hwy 80
- Apr. 19: Board Meeting - Noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, downtown
- Apr. 28: PANCAKE DAY - Mark your calendar
- Jun. 27-July 1: KI Convention - New Orleans, Louisiana
- Aug. 8-12: Kiwanis District Convention - Killeen  
4/19/12  
4/28/12 PANCAKE DAY - We have a job for YOU

### Birthdays

- Mar. 26: Jeff Goodin
- Mar. 29: Devhra Bennett-Jones
- Mar. 30: Zach Briley

# So, you missed last week's meeting, here's some of what you missed



**Has anyone mentioned it's Pancake time?**

**Clockwise from the top left, The table decorations remind us that we're fired up for Pancake ticket sales.**

**Dick Kincaid, Faye Dodson and Marty Anderson have tickets in hand and are telling us they are fired up to, "Ready, Set, SELL!"**

**John Snapp and Nancy Miller enjoying the spirited meeting.**

**Mark Young introduced our guests.**

**Jeff Goodin celebrating his birthday.**

**Pancake General Randy Williams**

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women in your life by protecting the connection between mothers and babies.

For a limited time, from March 1 to June 15, The Eliminate Project has crafted a special edition Mother's Day Zeller medallion and lapel pin to honor mothers and inspirational women worldwide. What better way and better time?

### Limited-edition Mother's Day lapel pin

Through the Mother's Day Zeller Fellowship, your gift of US\$1,250 to The Eliminate Project

saves or protects more than 690 lives from maternal and neonatal tetanus, and you will receive:

- Zeller Fellowship Medallion
- Limited-edition Mother's Day lapel pin
- Personalized certificate

Your donation, of any amount, can be in honor, celebration or in loving memory of your mother or inspirational women in your life.

Impact 350: US\$625-US\$999  
Recipients receive an Impact 350 lapel pin and a Mother's Day



postcard

Impact 175: US\$300-US\$624  
Recipients receive an Impact 175 lapel pin and a Mother's Day postcard

Other: US\$299 and below  
Recipients receive a Mother's Day postcard

Make a mother's love a force for change and this year give the only thing a mother really wants: a healthy baby. Your gift will protect the connection between mothers, babies, families and communities.

To donate and for more information please visit [www.TheEliminateProject.org/MothersDay](http://www.TheEliminateProject.org/MothersDay).

## KIWANIS HISTORY

The first clubs were organized to promote the exchange of business among the members.

However the members were distributing Christmas baskets to the poor.

A lively debate ensued between those who supported community service as the Kiwanis mission and those who supported the exchange of business.

By 1919, the service advocates won the debate.

- Kiwanis was founded in Detroit, Michigan, on January 21, 1915.
- In the early years, Kiwanis clubs focused on busi-

ness networking, but even then, members were serving the needs of the poor.

- By 1919, the organization had changed its focus from business to service.
- Kiwanis became an international organization in 1916 with the organization of the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton, Ontario.
- Kiwanis limited its membership to the United States and Canada until 1962.
- Until 1987, Kiwanis was a male-only organization. But after years of debate and growing support, women's membership was approved.

## KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

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