

MELVIN MARTIN FIRST RESPONDER AWARD **Abilene Country Club, Noon,** **Wednesday, September 12, 2012**

This week is one of the most special programs of the Kiwanis Year. We will present the fifth annual Melvin Martin First Responder Award.

Our speaker will be Donna Kleman, chaplain of the Abilene Police Department. She has served in that position since 2001.

Donna responds to crime scene, many times the most gruesome ones. She not only comforts victims and families, but also the first responders who also have to cope with the circumstances of the event.

This year's First Responder Award goes to Trooper Sparky Dean of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Sparky has been the face and voice of the DPS in



Abilene Police Chaplain Donna Kleman

the Big Country for a number of years.

This is a program that is well suited for guests. They will learn a lot about what we are all about.

A little bit about Kiwanis

The Eliminate Project

Kiwanis is once again joining forces with UNICEF to confront another threat to the world's children. In June 2010, Kiwanis International announced The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus, which aims to save 129 million mothers and their future babies from the disease by the year 2015.

Kiwanis Service footprint

Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis International club, no matter where in the world it's located. Kiwanis members stage nearly 150,000 service projects, devote more than 6 million hours of service and raise nearly US\$107 million every year for communities, families and projects. Key Club members pitch in 12 million hours of service each year, and CKI members another 500,000 hours of service! Aktion club members donate another 92,000 hours of service every year. Add it all up, and that's more than 18 million hours of service every year!

Kiwanis through the years

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 business 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.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting August 29, 2012
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Prayer.....	Keith Garmer
Music	Mark Young
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge	Edit Smith
Guests	Pam McGrew
Brag Basket	\$6.00
Cup Money	\$36.30

In our prayers

- Janice, wife of Guinn Smith
- Linda, wife of Jud Powell
- Joan, wife of George Knight
- Henry McGinty
- Kirby Leeson and his wife, Delores
- Van Boozer

Guest

Guests.....	Guest of Member
John Blake.....	Kelly Jones
Jill Coleman	Pam McGrew
George Woodfin	Greater Abilene
Roma Howard	George Woodfin

The program

Randy Williams introduced our speaker, Rochelle Johnson, Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Expo Center of Taylor County.

Rochelle spoke of the large the impact that the Expo Center has on Abilene. She told about all of the events that are hosted at the Expo Center each year.

She also expressed appreciation to Kiwanis for its work as volunteers at various events and for Kiwan-



Jeffry Utter was inducted as our newest member. James Hallmark is his sponsor.

ians who have served on the Expo Board through the years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A little time, a little opinion

Christine Curtis-Carr made an appeal for people who would help Abilene Education Foundation evaluate of grant proposals for the STAR teacher program.

Bringing someone to our Celebration meeting Sept. 26?

Sign-up sheets for those who are bringing guests to the celebration meeting on September 26 were placed on the tables. The sheets will be out again this week

Division Council meeting moved

Beginning with the Sept. 11 meeting, the location of the Division Council Meeting will move to Al's Mesquite Grill, 4801 Buffalo Gap Road beginning with the September 11th meeting

All Kiwanians are invited to attend. The September meeting will be a special time to recognize current year leaders and welcome 2012-2013 leaders.

Got oriented

Nancy Miller reported that an Orientation Meeting was conducted for new members on September 4th during the Club Satellite meeting. There were six new members in attendance. The session was conducted by Past Governor Nancy Miller, Lt. Governor Carl Lockett, Past President Russell Berry. Also attending the meeting were President Charles Kirkpatrick and President-Elect Randy Williams.

Something special for 25 years

Celebrating 25th anniversary of Women In Kiwanis. Mark your calendar for a very special program on September 19th when we will celebrate the impact of Women in Kiwanis.

We would like to encourage all of our female Kiwanians to attend this meeting and wear pink that day.

Calendar

- Sept. 11: Division Council meeting @ 6:30 p.m. @ Al's Mesquite Grill
- Sept. 15: AISD Walk for Graduates 2012
- Sept 19: Celebrating the 25-Year Anniversary of Women in Kiwanis
- Sept. 20: Board Meeting @ noon @ Bogie's
- Sept. 26: Celebration meeting, during our regular club meeting



Rochelle Johnson presented our program.



Pam McGrew introduced our guests



Key Gantt was one of five new members who attended our new member orientation class.



Christine Curtis-Carr asked for volunteers to help Abilene Education Foundation judge grant proposals.



Dick Kincaid and Marty Anderson welcomed our members and guests at the door.

BIRTHDAYS

September

Sep 13 Doug Williamson
Sep 15 George W. Knight
Sep 17 Jamie Breed
Sep 19 Lynda Fogerson
Sep 21 Pete Oldham
Sep 22 Pamela McGrew
Sep 28 Roy Cloud

October

Oct 13 Bobbie Wolfe

Oct 22 Rosanna T. Herndon

Oct 23 Manuel Longoria
Oct 30 Brandon Carr

November

Nov 1 Ken A. Poynor
Nov 2 Jack Harkins
Nov 3 Brice West
Nov 4 LuGene Lewis
Nov 10 James L. Shields
Nov 17 Jerry C. Carter
Nov 22 John Ruiz

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