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CELEBRATION MEETING **Abilene Country Club, Noon,** **Wednesday, September 26, 2012**

This week we celebrate the close of our Kiwanis year.

A variety of honors and recognitions will be bestowed on members.

We'll say thank you to our outgoing officers and board members, and howdy to the 2012-2013 board and officers.

Come. Celebrate.



25 wonderful years of women in Kiwanis

We wouldn't be as great without you



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Walk the Talk!

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting September 19, 2012
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Prayer.....	John Snapp
Music	Mark Young
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge	Lew Lewis
Guests	Laura Lynn Christensen
Brag Basket (Donald McDonald).....	\$7.00
Cup Money	\$43.86

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
- Praise that Roy Dent’s rotor cuff surgery went well and Roy was in attendance at the September 19th meeting.

Guest

Guests.....	Guest of Member
Dave Griffith	Kelly Jones
Sara Griffith	Kelly Jones
Amanda Hothan	Christine Curtis-Carr

The program

Bill Hoogstra served as MC for a special Celebration of 25 years of Women in Kiwanis on September 19th.

Speakers were Nancy Miller, Lora Lynn Christensen and Margaret Hoogstra.

Each speaker shared special memories from their years in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Bill described Nancy as a “mover and a shaker” in the club from the very beginning. She served as President of the Club, Lt. Governor for Division 35 and Governor of the Tx-Ok District twice in her 25 years as a Kiwanian.

Nancy shared fond memories and



Past President and twice Past Texas-Oklahoma District Governor Nancy Miller presented a portion of the program



Past President Lora Lynn Christensen presented part of the program.



Margaret Hoogstra, a Past President of our Club, presented some of the program

communicated her favorite object of the Permanent Objects of Kiwanis International is object #5. Check it out:

- Permanent Objects of Kiwanis International, adopted at the Denver Convention, June 1924
- TO GIVE primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life
- TO ENCOURAGE the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships
- TO PROMOTE the adoption and application of higher social, business and professional standards
- TO DEVELOP by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship
- TO PROVIDE through Kiwanis Clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities.
- TO COOPERATE in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

Lora Lynn Christensen has served on numerous committees over the years and also served as president of the organization. Lora Lynn shared how she was introduced to Kiwanis and that she did not expect to build the friendships gained over the years. She highlighted programs, projects and successes mentioning numerous fun events that made an impact.

Margaret Hoogstra, also a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene, stated that she joined Kiwanis to be a part of something greater than herself. She was impressed when she became a member in 1991 as the meeting room at Briarstone Manor was filled with an average of 175 men and women from the business community on Wednesdays. Margaret highlighted events from the years and challenged

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members to be involved. “Young women of today are very fortunate” stated Margaret. “Hopefully one day, we won’t celebrate Women in Kiwanis, because it won’t be a big deal. We simply need more hands to join hands, men and women together to carry the load of serving.” She closed with the very appropriate Kiwanis motto. “We are a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time”.

In closing, each woman present was presented with a special 25 years of Women in Kiwanis commemorative pin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Big ramp project coming Nov. 3rd

Kelly Jones told us that a big ramp-building project is scheduled for November 3rd. This is a great opportunity to work with a team from Dyess Air Force Base. More details are coming, but mark your calendars now.

See by Three

Our see by Three program gets back into full swing in October. Contact Glyn Hammons to find out how you can positively impact a 3-year-old for the rest of his or her life.

An invite from the Noah Project

The Noah Project sent our club this invitation: Together we are building a safer, healthier and more compassionate community.

Please join us as we dedicate the new Noah Project Facility, 5802 Texas Avenue. Tuesday, October 2, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

Thanks from the Red Cross

Thank you for your generous gift to the American Red Cross in the amount of \$500. Your contribution is greatly appreciated and will be used to help victims of recent storms.

*Katrina J. Farmer, Executive Director
American Red Cross of North Central Texas*

Thanks from New Horizons

We are so grateful for your generous donation in the amount of \$100 to New Horizons to help purchase back to school supplies for children. We appreciate your support and care of the children we serve.

*Michael J. Redden, Executive Director
New Horizons*



Sanjuana Zavala



Gov. Susan Hennum

White House honors 2 Texas Kiwanians

Texas-Oklahoma District Governor Susan Hennum and Sanjuana Zavala, a UT-Brownsville Circle K International Club member, were honored as “Champions of Change” at the White House last week.

Hennum will be honored for her work with Kiwanis and Buckner International Shoes for Orphan Souls. Since 2000, Hennum has collected hundreds of thousands of shoes for children in orphanages and raised many thousands of dollars to purchase even more shoes. In 2012, Hennum’s program, Shoes for Orphan Souls, has collected more than 5,000 shoes and \$3,000 in donations.

“I can’t imagine being in an orphanage and relying on others to supply you with clothes and shoes,” said Hennum. “I think this is why I love this program so much—we are making a big difference. It is just a simple program—starting with one step or one shoe at a time! I enjoy being known as the “Shoe Lady.”

As a first-generation college student at the University of Texas-Brownsville, Sanjuana Zavala

holds back \$50 from every paycheck and \$200 from every scholarship-all to protect and save the lives of mothers and babies she will never meet. It's her way of supporting The Eliminate Project, a partnership between Kiwanis International and UNICEF to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus from the face of the Earth.

When it comes to service, Sanjuana gets creative in order to get others involved with the help of local city efforts like Keep Brownsville Beautiful. As a member of Circle K International-a Kiwanis service program for university students-she led a crayon-recycling effort, inspiring Brownsville's elementary schools to donate used or unwanted crayons, which were then sorted, peeled, melted and molded into new crayons for children in need.

The Champions of Change program was created to honor ordinary Americans doing extraordinary work in their communities.

"Kiwanis International is honored to have 14 of our members recognized as Champions of Change," says Kiwanis International Executive Director Stan Soderstrom. "Every day, Kiwanis and Kiwanis-family members strive to make a difference in their local communities and around the globe. From building better communities, to helping at-risk youth to making pediatric patients' hospital stays better, these Champions exemplify the Kiwanis spirit."

Calendar

- Sept. 26: Celebration meeting, during our regular club meeting



Bill Hoogstra served as Master of Ceremonies.



Mark Young led the singing.

- Oct. 2 - Noah Project open house, 10 a.m., 5802 Texas Ave.
- Oct. 3 - Our club meeting: Randy Williams, Club President – Kiwanis year kick-off
- Oct. 10 - Our club meeting: Dr. Paul Fabrizio from McMurry University gives us an overview of the upcoming election.
- Oct. 17 - Our club meeting: Andy Vestal speaks on Homeland Security.

BIRTHDAYS

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

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