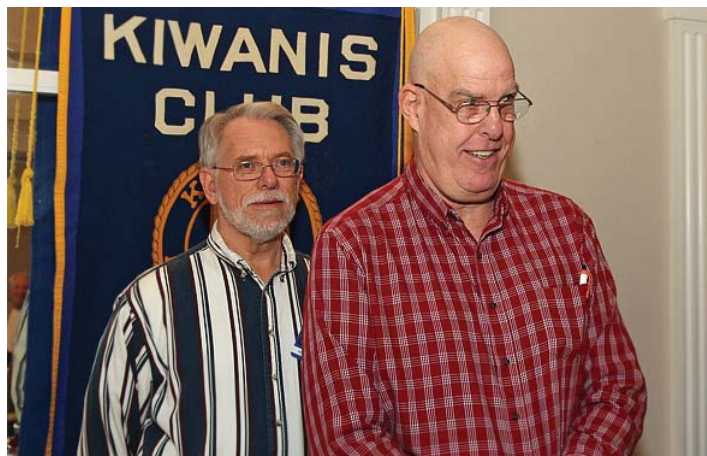


Happy



Thanksgiving

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene will not meet Thanksgiving week.



Gus White presented the program.

Gary Poynor was inducted as a new member. Ken Poynor is his sponsor.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting November 14th,
2012
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Randy Williams
Prayer.....	Lew Lewis
Music	Don Scargall
Piano.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge.....	Randy Williams
Guests.....	Will Smith
Cup Money	\$33.36
Brag Basket (Russell Leavenworth).....	\$12.00

In our prayers

Praise that Keith Garner is home from the hospital and doing much better.

Praise that Janice Smith, wife of Guinn Smith, recieved a good follow up report recently.

Kirby Leeson and family
 Jimmie and Lake Monhollon

Linda, wife of Jud Powell, and Joan, wife of George Knight

Continue to remember: Henry McGinty, Van Boozer

The Program

Gordon Dowell introduced Gus White as the speaker. Gus who has served as a Church of Christ Minister, spent the past 7 years as a minister in Littleton, Colorado. He and his wife now serve as volunteers at Eternal Threads. Gus guided our thoughts to Thanksgiving and communicated that it is easy to be thankful when things are going well, however perhaps more challenging when things are not going so well. He encouraged listeners to be thankful for our troubles stating that blessings are certainly more abundant than we deserve. Some things are obvious, however others are more subtle. A definition of "Blessing" is an imparting of a favor and God has certainly imparted His favor on us. He reminded us to pray for our nation and leaders. Also, thank our Lord for those who made a difference in our lives over the years. Share your blessings with others this holiday season.

President Randy Williams closed the meeting with the following quote:

"Tell me and I'll forget. Show me, and I May not remember. Involve me and I'll understand."



Cynthia Laster was inducted as a new member. Dennis Laster is her sponsor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Induction of New Members:

Cynthia Laster who is sponsored by her husband and best friend, Dennis Laster was given the opportunity to answer questions about herself from the audience. We learned the following:

- The Laster's have three daughters. One lives in Australia and they have a set of twins
- Cynthia taught kindegarten at Jane Long Elementary for 20 years and spend 3 years working with a reading success program for AISD
- She has a new hobby - quilting, which she said she did not realize it would be such an expensive hobby
- Although born in Haskell, she grew up in Wheeler Texas and was a Kiwanis Sweetheart, playing the piano for the Kiwanis Club each week.

Gary Poynor who is sponsored by his "older brother", Ken shared that he has been married 33 years and has one son who is a police officer in Abilene. Gary has 4 grandchildren and was born in Ranger. When asked what his least favorite subject in school was, Gary asked if the question was about school or college. He didn't want to answer the question because one of his college professors was in the audience.

Welcome Cynthia and Gary. We are glad who chose to become a member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. John Hewitt is also a new member, transferring from the Downtown Club. John will be officially inducted during the December 4th Club Satellite meeting.

Volunteers Needed

Hendrick Hospice Volunteers are needed to help during the holiday season to work 2 hour shifts. This begins November 23rd and goes through December 23rd. Contact Don Paige to get involved.

'Why I am Thankful'

Doug Williamson announced the Reporter-News will be publishing "Why I am Thankful This Year" in the Thanksgiving Day paper and on ReporterNews.com. He said the ARN is soliciting comments, and asked us to submit our answers and to encourage others to do the same. He said to mail our 100 words or less answers to publishme@reporternews.com. Deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 20th.

Angel Tree Project

Angel Tree Project-Call Lindsey with the Salvation Army at 677-1408 to sign up or learn more details.

Club Satellite Coat Project

Club Satellite has taken on the Coat Project from the Downtown Kiwanis Club. This is something EVERY Kiwanis member can participate in. November 28th is "Bring Cleaned Donated Coats Day". Please consider donating coats no longer needed to this important project. A cleaner in Abilene has volunteered to clean coats, however President Randy asked that we bring coats that have already been cleaned.

Calendar

- November 21st - Wednesday - NO Meeting
- November 28th - Bring Cleaned Donated Coats Day
- December 4th Club Satellite Meeting- Mezimez Coffee Shop 6:00pm
- November 20th - Division Council, Al's Mesquite

- Grill, 6:30pm
- December Board Meeting, cancelled
- April 27th, 2013 - PANCAKE DAY (mark your calendar for this important date)



From the Boys and Girls Club of Abilene: Last Saturday's Builders' Club service project working at the Food Bank of West Central Texas. The kids stocked shelves, straightened shelves, cleaned, and anything else they were asked to do.

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