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Dr. Mark Wilcox: Assistant Professor of High Brass at McMurry University
Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, April 17th, 2013



Dr. Mark Wilcox, on the music faculty at McMurry University, will bring a small jazz ensemble this Wednesday. Dr. Wilcox hosts a monthly Sunday afternoon jazz jam session in the Bynum Band Hall. Collegiate students and local jazz performers get together and play for their love of jazz and music. These sessions are open to the public.

Dr. Mark Wilcox joined the music faculty at McMurry University in 2005, where he is Associate Professor of High Brass and Fine Arts Division Chair. In addition, he teaches Music Theory, Brass Methods, and directs the McMurry Jazz Band. Prior to his appointment at McMurry, Dr. Wilcox taught at Wright State University, Sinclair Community College, and Mid America Christian University.

Dr. Wilcox has performed with notable artists and groups including Count Basie, Doc Severinsen, Aretha Franklin, Mannheim Steamroller, Jerry Lewis, Diane Shuur, The Four Freshman, Sandi Patty, and Manhattan Transfer. He has also played with the Dayton, Springfield (Ohio), Oklahoma City, Abilene, Midland/Odessa, and San Angelo Orchestras.



Carol Windham
presented our program



Barbara Fahlender
listens to the program



Ernie Coy was a guest
of Bill Hoogstra

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting

April 10th, 2013
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Randy Williams
Prayer.....	Gary Poyner
Music.....	Don Scargall
Piano.....	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Barbara Fahrlander
Guests.....	Keith Garner
Cup Money.....	\$31.60
Brag Money (Margaret Hoogstra).....	\$11.00

In our prayers

Norman Weaver, known my many Kiwanians has been diagnosed with liver cancer. Norman and his wife Garnet just celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Jimmie and Lake Monhollon

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

Continue to remember: Henry McGinty, Van Booser, A.C. Johnson and Bill Zavatson

Kelly Jones who has a torn rotator cuff

Jarrell Young has suffered a couple of setbacks – Wednesday afternoon the results of the biopsy came back positive for cancer. Friday afternoon his doctor discovered Jarrell's incision has become infected. Jarrell knew after the biopsy results he will start chemotherapy as soon as he gets well enough and strong enough. The infection will set that farther down the road. I visited him again this morning and found him still in good spirits.

Guests

Guests.....Guest of Member
Ernie Coy.....Bill Hoogstra

Program

Charles Kirkpatrick introduced Carol Windham, owner of Zumafilmz as the speaker on April 10th. If you read the Abilene Reporter News on April 11, 2013, you might have seen an article on page 5A highlighting Carol's presentation. Carol spoke on "My Place on the Planet", a documentary about life in six American towns of less than 10,000 people, including Clyde, Texas. Towns in addition to Clyde are Anthony, NM; Clark Summit, Penn.; Greensburg, Kan.; Port Townsend, Wash.; and Social Circle, Ga. She spoke of challenges, overcoming down turns and the successes for these small towns. She shared interesting stories from each community and commu-

nicated that one thing she learned is that hospitality isn't just a Southern thing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Layperson of the Year

Layperson of the Year, nominations are due by April 24th. Contact Gordon Dowell or Randy Williams for additional information.

Former Layperson's of the Year from 2008 thru 2012 for the Kiwanis Club of Abilene are:

- 2012 Jerry Carter (also Division 35 Layperson of the Year)
- 2011 Jamie Breed
- 2010 Dennis Laster
- 2009 Jarrell Young (also Division 35 Lay Person of the Year)
- 2008 Charles Kirkpatrick
- 2007 Russell Berry (also Division 35 Lay Person of the Year)
- 2006 Doug Williamson

Re-Member

Randy Williams recognized Don Henderson as a "Re-Member". Don, sponsored by James Hallmark, joined Kiwanis in 2009 and resigned for health reasons in August 2012. Don is back with us now! We learned that Don is retired from the US Army Air Corp and that while serving; he flew 65 combat flights over the Pacific. He stated his most memorable flight was one where he almost crashed in Japan. Welcome Don!

Kiwanis International Convention

The convention will be held in Vancouver Canada in June 2013. Contact Randy Williams if you are interested in attending.

Calendar

- April 9th: Division Council Meeting, Al's Mesquite Grill, 6:30pm
- April 18th: Board Meeting, Thursday Bogies Sandwich Shop 12:00 noon
- April 27th: PANCAKE DAY – SELL TICKETS Bring in AUCTION ITEMS
- May 7th : Club Satellite Meeting, 6:00pm Mezamiz Coffee Shop
- June 6th: Division 35 Prayer Breakfast

PANCAKE TICKET UPDATE : WEEK THREE – OFF TO THE RACES!

Three weeks into our ticket sales drive and we're not quite a third of the way there. We need to pick up the pace these last two and half weeks! To those who have sold tickets, a big THANK YOU! Keep up the good work. To those of you who have not yet turned in money or sold tickets, we need you to step up to the starting gate and begin your race.

Right now only 43 members or 44 % of the total teams' membership have participated. We need everyone. Please do your part.

Week 3 Results

Team #1 Hamsters	\$990	Top Sellers: Carl Lockett, Will Smith, Glyn Hammons, Gordon Dowell, Don Henderson
Team #2 Pigs	\$855	Top Sellers: Charles Kirkpatrick, Jack Harkins, James Shields, Guy Lucas
Team #3 Camels	\$810	Top Sellers: Jack Rentz, Edith Smith
Team #4 Armadillos	\$715	Top Sellers: Jerry Carter, Faye Dodson, Randy Williams, Royce Manning

Pancake Ticket Sales Goal \$30,000 Sales to Date \$9,527 31.75%

LET'S GET OUT THERE AND SELL THOSE TICKETS!

Silent Auction for Pancake Day April 27th

We need your help! Silent Auction is a big part of our Pancake Day event and contributes significantly to our bottom line success. Kiwanians are reminded and encouraged to bring items or donate cash to purchase auction items. You may bring the items or your money to the meetings on Wednesdays and give them to Marty Anderson. Or you may contact Marty and she and her committee will arrange to pick them up.

Please return the white cards to Marty that she handed out several weeks ago for members to use to make contacts with various businesses and donors. Either return the card(s) with donated items or return the card if you have not worked them so that Marty and her committee can work them.

Need Meal Sponsors for Student Recognition Days in May

On May 8th, we will host our annual Career & Technology Day program honoring students and their teachers. We will also award five scholarships that day and those students will have their parents invited. School administrators are invited as well. Attendance averages between 50 – 55 visitors.

On May 22nd, we will host our annual Valedictorian / Salutatorian Recognition and present four Foundation scholarships. The top two students from area high schools along with their parents and school administrators are invited. Foundation scholarship winners will have their parents present also. Attendance will be approximately 45 – 50 visitors.

Sign-up sheets are on our lunch tables. All members are asked to sign up to sponsor one or more meals for these programs to help defray the cost to the club. Last week, we had 26 members sign up to sponsor 39 meals. That's a great start. If you haven't signed up yet, please consider doing so.

SPIRITUAL AIMS THOUGHT TO PONDER

By Gordon Dowell

I love Springtime, don't you? All of nature is re-newing itself. Grass greening, trees sprouting fresh, green leaves, flowers blooming, and sunshine (and an occasional Texas rain). Ah, beauty everywhere, patches of Bluebonnets, Indian Paintbrush, etc., here and there. God's creative hand at work, as regular as clockwork. And we see it in the face, fingers and toes of a newborn, the love and support of many families, and when neighbors love neighbors.

Yet, we live in a fragile world don't we? Natural disasters abound. Earthquakes, tornadoes, landslides, fires, floods, subsidence, on and on. This past week, media reported that it is estimated that 14 hurricanes will hit the U.S. this season. Now we have to "worry about" meteorites hitting the earth. But, most dark and foreboding are the revolutions and world conflicts that kill thousands of people. War, even nuclear war, is threatened and looming before us.

So, every day, we live in the middle, in the ten-

sion between beauty and darkness. How do we cope? One could take the escapist view and try to ignore the reality of the pain and agony created by disasters, war, and evil threats. Or, one could take the doom and gloom approach to life and let the realities and "worries of life" keep us in a state of constant depression. Or, one could boldly declare each morning, "This is the day the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad it." This enabling, uplifting attitude recognizes that a compassionate, sovereign God is in control of all things, and that all things will be well with us regardless of what may come.

How about you? How about the attitude of Kiwanians in general? I believe we take the latter, higher, more optimistic approach, don't you? After all, as God's creation, we live to love, exalt, and honor Him, AND, to love our neighbor as ourselves. I believe we do this through the service we render to children and the community, Abilene and around the world!

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