

## Dawn Capps: Park Ranger III Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, June 5th, 2013



Dawn Capps has worked for Texas Parks and Wildlife since 2009 and at Abilene State Park since June of last year. Her current position is a Park Ranger III with duties including Park Law Enforcement and Interpretation of the park's natural and cultural resources. Dawn attended Tarleton State University and received a degree in Wildlife Management. You can catch Dawn in her spare time fishing and spending time outdoors with family and friends. Dawn will be doing a presentation on the Civilian Conservation Corp at Abilene State Park and what it was like to be an Enrollee.

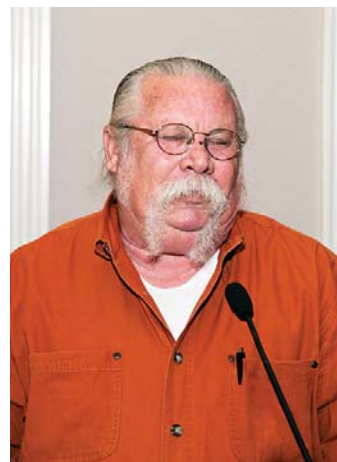
### Texas Parks and Wildlife

The mission of Texas Parks and Wildlife is to manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.

### Civilian Conservation Corp

America was in the grip of the Great Depression when Franklin Delano Roosevelt was inaugurated in March of 1933. More than twenty-five percent of the population was unemployed, hungry and without hope. The New Deal Programs instituted bold changes in the federal government that energized the economy and created an equilibrium that helped to bolster the needs of citizens.

Out of the economic chaos emerged the civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). Its goal was two fold: conservation of our natural resources and the salvage of our young men. The CCC is recognized as the single greatest conservation program in America and it served as a catalyst to develop the very tenets of modern conservation. The work of America's young men dramatically changed the future and today we still enjoy a legacy of natural resource treasures that dot the American landscape.



**Will Smith presided in  
Randy's absence**

**Jeff Goodin introduced  
the guest speaker**

**Master Sgt. (Ret.) Richard  
"Doc" Warner presented  
the program**

# KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

## Weekly Meeting

May 29th, 2013

## Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Lt. Governor Elect William A. Smith
Prayer.....	Gordon Dowell
Music.....	Nancy Miller
Piano.....	Cynthia Laster
Pledge.....	Richard Kincaid
Guests.....	Russell Berry
Cup Money.....	\$36.43
Brag Money (Price Brock).....	\$2.00

### In our prayers

Our men and women in the military who serve to protect our freedoms

Remember to pray for graduating students (high school and college) as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

Families from Moore, Ok, Granbury, Cleburne and other areas affected by the recent storms

Remember in prayer Melvin Martin's mother in law who has been diagnosed with cancer

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, Jarrell Young

### Guests

Guests.....	Guest of Member Gene Linder .....	Greater Abilene Club
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### Program

Jeff Goodin introduced Master Sergeant Richard "Doc" Warner as the speaker for the May 29th meeting. Doc presented a very interesting program about Col. Dyess, from Albany, Texas and the adventures from 1941 until his death. Col Dyess wrote a book, "The Dyess Story" that is available online at amazon.com. Doc encouraged us to visit Col Dyess' gravesite in Albany and to check out the Dyess Museum which is just outside the Dyess AFB gate on the corner of Arnold Blvd and Military Drive. This really was a terrific program.

A Big Thanks to Will Smith for leading the meeting!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SAVE THE DATE

Tx-Ok District Convention will be held in Rockwall Tx August 9-11th. This is a great opportunity to connect with fellow Kiwanians and to learn more about the far reaching efforts of Kiwanis. Check out the Tx-Ok web site for more information at <http://www.txok-kiwanis.org>. You will find lots of great information on this site.

## Annual Division 35 Prayer Breakfast – this Thursday June 6th!!!

*Note from Lt. Governor Kelly Jones:* As you may already know the 2013 Kiwanis Division 35 prayer breakfast will be held on the 6th of June at Abilene Kiwanis Club member, Bobbie Wolfe's home at 24 Avenida de Silva, just South of Abilene. The program will begin at 7:00 A.M., but please plan to arrive a little early to have breakfast. Division 35 is funding the prayer breakfast so there will be no cost to attendees.

Directions to Bobbie Wolfe's home follow: Proceed on 83/84 south of Abilene Regional Hospital. Take Clark Rd (FM 204) Go one mile to Avenida de Silva, turn to right (south). Bobbie Wolfe's home is 24 Avenida de Silva, the second on the right -- big barn in the back white fence surrounds the property.

## SILENT AUCTION Items

Melvin Martin assisted Marty Anderson as "auctioneer" to auction off the remaining silent auction items. If you won the bid, please submit payment for those items to Faye Dodson and thanks to those who participated. Hey Folks, talk to John Ruiz about that music box! We still have a great deal for the Rudy Cruise in September. Contact Russell Berry for details on this fun package.

## Eliminate

The following amount has been received toward the Eliminate Project by our club members thru May, 2013:

Received to Date.....\$2,088.00  
9 members have participated thus far

## News from TX-OK Division

May 20, 2013. A huge EF5 tornado devastates the community of Moore, Ok., leaving hundreds of people homeless. Kiwanis is there to help immedi-

ately.

The Texas Oklahoma District has a disaster relief program that provides material relief to people who have lost their homes due to natural disasters. There are many thousands of children affected each year in Texas and Oklahoma due to tornados, floods, wild fires, and other causes. The Moore tornado on Monday, May 20th, destroyed hundreds of homes, businesses and schools leaving families struggling to cope with sudden loss. Kiwanis clubs and community members across the 2 states immediately stepped up to help folks in Moore by packing emergency disaster relief backpacks filled with toiletries (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo), medical packs, spare socks, toys, baby wipes, powders, t-shirts, etc. The backpacks are packed according to gender and age groups and will be delivered to the shelters. If you would like to donate to this program, we are collecting checks or credit card donations.

To donate with a credit card, we have set up a PayPal donation button on the Denton Kiwanis Club website here: <http://www.dentonkiwanisclub.org>. You do NOT have to have a paypal account to use your credit card. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and fill in the form online.

If you wish to donate with a check, please send checks to:

"Texas Oklahoma Kiwanis"  
TX-OK Kiwanis District Office  
3010 W. Park Row Dr.  
Suite #100  
Pantego, TX 76013

Why donate through Kiwanis? Because EVERY SINGLE DIME goes to the relief effort. We are all volunteers and we do NOT take any funds for our service efforts.

## Perfect Attendance

The following folks had perfect attendance for the month of May:

Tim Adcock  
Marty Anderson  
David Bacon  
Russell Berry  
Curtis Blackburn  
Jamie Breed  
Zach Briley  
Price Brock

Ricki Brown  
Jerry Carter  
Lora Lynn Christensen  
Roy Dent  
Faye Dodson  
Gordon Dowell  
Keith Garner  
James Hallmark  
Glyn Hammons  
William Hoogstra  
Mark Hoover  
David Jones  
Kelly Jones  
Richard Kincaid  
Charles Kirkpatrick  
Dennis Laster  
Russell Leavenworth  
Marion "Lew" Lewis  
Carl Lockett  
Royce Manning  
Melvin Martin  
Donald McDonald  
Nancy Miller  
Kenneth Poynor  
Donald Scargall  
James Shields  
William A Smith  
John Snapp  
Earl Williams  
Randy Williams  
Mark Young  
Cynthia Laster  
Gary Poynor  
Don Henderson  
Donna King

Wow, that is 43 –not quite half of our membership, but almost!

## Calendar

- June 6th – Division 35 Prayer Breakfast
- June 4th, - Club Satellite Meeting, 6:00pm  
Mezamiz Coffee Shop
- June 11th - Division Council Meeting, Al's Mesquite Grill, 6:30pm
- June Board Meeting Cancelled
- July 25th - Board Meeting, Thursday Bogies  
Sandwich Shop 12:00 noon
- August 9-11th TX-OK District Convention –  
Rockwall, TX

## SPIRITUAL AIMS THOUGHT TO PONDER

*By Gordon Dowell*

*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:4-7*

When we arise from bed each morning, we have a choice...to be happy or to go through the day unhappy. If it's the latter choice, we'll not only be miserable and grouchy, we'll make others miserable as well. But if we arise singing, "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psm. 118:24) we will set the tone for a more glorious day!

To rejoice is such a simple thought. But it's so

much more than a thought. It's an attitude, it's optimism, it's a disposition, it's gratitude, it's happiness, it's simply JOY! To rejoice is to RE-JOY...over and over again. It's to see people as human beings to be shown respect and loved, not as things to be used, abused, hurt or harmed. It is to see people, young and old alike, as humans worthy of our gentleness, fairness, and truthfulness. RE-JOYING will improve relationships everywhere we go.

And, it's PEACE; no anxiety involved. When we pray to God and thank him for his grace, his mercy, his blessings, HIS PEACE, which defies human understanding, will surround our hearts and minds in the Lord! What a bargain...simply for RE-JOYING!!

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