

Who, What, Where Is The Big Country Athletic Hall Of Fame? Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, June 19th, 2013



Our speaker today is uniquely qualified to answer that question. Al Pickett, has been one of the driving forces in our community in getting the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame off the ground and continues to be a the cheerleader for its existence.

He is a freelance writer and owns his own business, Pickett Publications and Sales, which publishes the West Central Texas Oil Activity Index that is a daily and weekly reporting service for oil-related businesses.

After graduating from Kansas State University with a degree in journalism and mass communications, Al began his career as a radio sportscaster and play-by-play announcer for eight years at radio stations in Kansas and Arkansas before going into the newspaper business. He was the sports editor of the Abilene Reporter-News for 15 years. He still communicates to the masses as the host of Let's Talk Sports on KWKC 1340 AM.

Pickett is quite an author, having written 4 very popular books about football in the Big Country: "Team of the Century" chronicles the seven years that Chuck Moser spent as head football coach at Abilene High, "The Greatest Texas Sports Stories You've Never Heard" and "Brother's Keeper: The Story of the 2009 Abilene High State Championship" that he co-wrote with Abilene minister Chad Mitchell, chaplain of the Abilene High football team and "Wishbone Wisdom: Emory Bellard Texas Football Visionary" that he co-wrote with Emory Bellard. He is a regular contributor to "Dave Campbell's Texas Football" magazine, "Red Raider Sports" magazine and continues to let his voice be heard broadcasting the play-by-play of Abilene High, Cooper High, and Hardin-Simmons University athletics on the radio.

He is married to Carol and they have two grown sons and four grandchildren. Al participates as an active member of the Zion Lutheran Church, serves on the selection committee for the Texas Sports Hall of Fame in Waco, and is chairman of the Big Country Hall of Fame. . . all of the above makes him uniquely qualified to be our speaker today.



Jamie Breed presided over the meeting in Randy's absence.

Glen Dromgoole presented an enlightening and entertaining program.

Bob Goodner was a guest of David Jones.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting
June 12th, 2013
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....Jamie Breed
 Prayer.....Gary Bomar
 Music.....Bobbie Wolfe
 Piano.....Lora Lynn Christensen
 Pledge.....Clinton Nix
 Guests.....Marty Anderson
 Cup Money.....\$41.26
 Bag Money (Russell Leavenworth).....\$7.00

In our prayers

Ron Carroll is undergoing medical testing and covets your prayers as Dr.'s try to determine what is going on and the best source of treatment

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 Boozler, A.C. Johnson and Bill Zavatson, Jarrell Young
 Pray for those serving in the Military

Ricki Brown's mother is in the hospital and not doing very well.

Gordon Dowell's Daughter in law will have a 4th surgery on her throat

Gary Bomar's wife Marcy is scheduled for hip surgery the week of June 17th.

Guests

Guests.....Guest of Member
 Mary Ann Martin.....Melvin Martin
 Bob GoodnerDavid Jones

From Goodwill Industries: Cindy Haley, Jim Tredennick, Brenda Heppner, Stephanie Mason, Beth Morris, Nancy Weathers, Debra Nicholson, and Frankie Lee

Program

Mark Hoover introduced Glen Dromgoole as the speaker on June 12th. Glen gave us a great report on his Hamburger Tasting adventures during the month of May. When asked who had the best burger, Glen communicated the one cooked over an open fire by J. T. Cattle Company out at Western Heritage was likely the best. He also shared some of those unexpected surprises along the way. This



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was a really fun program. Hamburgers for Glen anytime soon? Will he do it again? He said he would do it again, but he wasn't sure anyone would read it again. It was a good time and we do have a lot of good hamburger places.

Jamie Breed thanked Glen for coming and communicated his presentation was "quite enlightening". In addition, she communicated we would make a donation to our Foundation to help fund scholarships in his honor.

GREAT JOB JAMIE BREED! Thanks for filling in while Randy was away!

It was terrific to see Brandon Carr at the meeting. Thanks Brandon for the awesome job each week on the Kiwanigram!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kiwanis International Convention

Nancy Miller and Christine Curtis-Carr will represent us at the Kiwanis International Convention to be held in Vancouver Canada from June 26 thru June 30th. We look forward to hearing from them as they return.

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 and to register at <http://www.txok-kiwanis.org>. You will find lots of great information on this site.

Thank You!

Thank you Goodwill employees! During the June 12th meeting President Elect Mark Hoover welcomed folks from Goodwill Industries and presented certificates of appreciation to Beth Morris, Nancy Weathers, Debra Nicholson and Frankie Lee who helped us in a big way by preparing silverware set ups for Pancake Day. WOW! That is lots of set ups!

Back Packs for Kids

Back Packs for Kids are needed. Log on to the Tx-Ok Kiwanis website to donate to this program. It only takes a few minutes and can make a tremendous difference for children. To learn more about this project check out:

http://www.txok-kiwanis.org/public_district/index.aspx

and to donate to this ongoing project go to:

<http://www.dentonkiwanisclub.org>.

Calendar

- June 26th – June 30th Kiwanis International Convention – Vancouver Canada
- July 9th - Division Council Meeting, Al's Mesquite Grill, 6:30pm
- July 25th - Board Meeting, Thursday Bogies Sandwich Shop 12:00 noon
- August 9-11th TX-OK District Convention – Rockwall, TX

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1972

- New officers for 1971-72 were installed by Lt. Gov. Bill Haley of Sweetwater on October 6, 1971. The Gum Ball Project has earned the club over \$25,000 in its 18 years of operation.
- President Vannoy says, "Lets have 200 members at the end of this Kiwanis year." Statistics show that there must be two inductions to realize a net gain of one member.
- Seven couples attended the Kiwanis Education program held at Mack's Cafeteria on November 11.
- Raymond Thomason, Sr. here for many years, has donated to the club a nice lot across from the Boy Scout building at 2334 Jackson Street on November 17, 1971.
- The program on Dec. 1 was to gain insight on what the young first time voters are thinking as to their privileges, opportunities and



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responsibilities regarding the 18 year olds who will be allowed to vote for the first time. Speaking were Mike Hughes, Cooper High, Johnny Collins, Abilene High, Rodney Dunn, A.C.C., Gus Taylor, McMurry, Nat Haas, H.S.U. They all believed that the 18 year old voter would attempt to vote conscientiously on questions and candidates involved in elections.

- The Support of Churches Committee arranged for a Christmas Season Project on December 16th. for local nursing homes. The first part is for a musical program at all of the homes by groups from local schools. The second involves Kiwanians taking ambulatory residents on a tour of the city to see the homes that are lighted for the season. About 25 Kiwanians with cars picked up 70 nursing home residents and took them through out the city.



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- This year a Christmas Banquet was held A.C.C. Campus Center. Because of the late arrival of the speaker, Pres. Vannoy arranged for V.P, Brad Helbert to proceed with the meeting. Reed Ingalsby was the M.C. Legion of Honor Awards were presented to Bert Chapman 5 years, James Cassle and Neil Daniel 25 years. Nib Shaw was recognized as Kiwanian of the year. Bob Hitt, Immediate Past President was given a pair of suitcases. The speaker was Wayne Philpott who made a very humorous presentation. One hundred and eighty seven were in attendance.
- Jimmy Jividen, General Chairman of the 1972 Pancake Supper, presented each person at the Board meeting with a 2 page Prospectus which outlined his organizational plans. Ticket sales chairman is Raymond McDaniel, Jr. Nick Nickolson will see that the kitchen will produce pancakes and clean up; C. W. Stephenson produced an excellent publicity campaign. Date is March 21 at Taylor Coliseum. Tickets sell for 75c. K.P.S. buttons are all over town. Entertainment was provided by choirs from four elementary schools; College Heights, Jackson, Bowie, and Johnston. Junior High Schools Jefferson, Mann, and Franklin brought their Madrigal Singers. J.B. Jordan, Jr



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played the organ through the evening. Pancake Batter was donated by the Pancake House. 9,073 tickets sold. Gross income \$7147.77. Net profit \$5243.00.

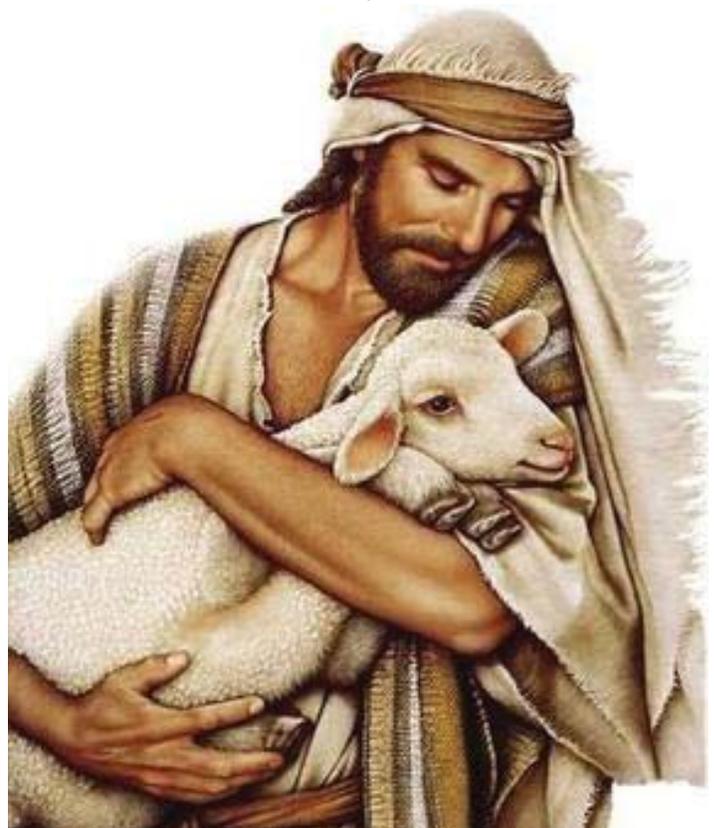
- Jim Jennings reported that 3,820 miles were traveled by our club members in three Inter club trips out of town during January.
- New Member Proposal Cards were placed at each Kiwanian's plate to encourage the proposal of new prospective members. Kiwanians who introduce a new member is presented a Kiwanis Letter opener.

SPIRITUAL AIMS THOUGHT TO PONDER

By Gordon Dowell

I suspect few would deny that we live in a very troubled world. Events frequently cause our hearts to e troubled. Reading of scripture, prayer, meditation, visiting with confidants, and reading of poetry, among other things, are good antidotes to worry. I've been blessed by the poems of Helen Steiner Rice one of which is entitled There's Peace and Calm in the 23rd Psalm. Hear its words:

With the LORD AS "YOUR SHEPHERD"
 you have all that you need,
 For, if you "FOLLOW IN HIS FOOTSTEPS"
 wherever HE may lead,
 He will guard and guide and keep you
 in HIS loving, watchful care
 And, when traveling in "dark valleys,"
 "YOUR SHEPHERD" will be there.
 HIS goodness is unfailing
 HIS kindness knows no end,
 For the LORD is a "GOOD SHEPHERD"
 on whom you can depend...
 So when your heart is troubled,
 you'll find quiet, peace and calm
 If you open up the Bible
 and just read this treasured Psalm.



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dedicated to changing the world, one child and one
community at a time. Walk the Talk!

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