



Mark Langan: CEO of the YMCA Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, October 30th, 2013



Mark Langan, CEO of the YMCA since April of this year, will be our speaker this week. Mark, who came to Abilene with extensive YMCA experience in the Chicago metro area, is responsible for the operation of the YMCA's Redbud and State Street Family Centers.

Chartered in 1947, the YMCA of Abilene provides programs and facilities to promote youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, serving more than 7,500 children, youth and adults. Kristina Jones, board member and chair of the CEO search committee, said the board interviewed several candidates for the position during their search for a new CEO.

"Mark has so many strengths that we felt he would be the best leader for our YMCA as we build upon our recent successes," Jones said upon announcing Mark as the new CEO.

"My wife, Eileen, and I are very excited about coming to Abilene," Langan said. "We were very pleased to meet so many nice people in our visit to west Texas. We are looking forward to life in Abilene." This week we'll hear how their transition to Abilene has been as Mark informs us of services of the YMCA.



Bobbie Wolfe presented the program.

Gary Jay, President of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene.

Guinn Smith welcomed our visitors.

Mark Conrad was a guest of Bobbie Wolfe.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
 Weekly Meeting
 October 23rd, 2013
 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Mark Hoover
Prayer.....	James Shields
Music.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Piano.....	Jamie Breed
Pledge.....	Roy Dent
Guests.....	Will Smith
Cup Money.....	\$39.51
Brag Money(Lora Lynn Christensen).....	\$11.00

In our prayers

Ricki Brown who had knee replacement surgery on October 15th

Remember Dr. Jessie Fletcher and family. Dr. Fletcher's wife Dorothy passed away on October 16th.

Remember the family of Grant Jones who passed away last week. Grant was an outstanding community leader and former Honorary member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

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

Continue to remember: Jarrell Young, Henry McGinty, Van Boozer, A.C. Johnson and Bill Zavatson

Those who have lost loved ones and those caring for family members

Guests

Bernice Wolfe, Josie Kneck and Mark Conrad were guests of Bobbie Wolfe

Interclub from Greater Abilene Club: Jane and James Harvey, Blake Norvell, Gail and Gary Jay

Program

Randy Williams introduced our own Bobbie Lee Wolfe as the speaker on October 23rd. Bobbie presented a wonderful program on the 2013 Boy Scout National Jamboree. He shared that scouting is still alive and well! The jamboree was a 10 day event with approximately 35,000 scouts and leaders in attendance. Bobbie took us on a great adventure with his slide presentation which show-cased the 10,600 acre facility in West Virginia. The camp is located just outside a small town named New Hope. He shared the requirements scouts were required to meet even to qualify to attend the jamboree. The staff camp was separate from the scouts and was located about 2 miles from the main activity which they traveled on foot every day! Safety was key and simply amazing.



James and Jane Harvey were part of an Interclub from Greater Abilene.

The organization and planning that took place prior to the event allowed much to be accomplished. This truly was an incredible event and Bobbie's presentation was terrific. Bobbie closed the presentation by leading former Boy Scouts in the Boy Scout Pledge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Division 35 News

The Kiwanis Clubs of Division 35 invite you to celebrate the many ways Kiwanis is making a difference in the lives of children.

Our guest speaker, Bill Rauhauser, Kiwanis Governor of Tx-Ok for 2013-2014 will share his vision for membership growth, Kiwanis International commitment to the Eliminate Project, the Backpack Project, Tx-Ok District Brick Project, and the First Lady Project, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Please join us for this very special evening! November 19, 2013

McM Elegante- 4250 Ridgemont Drive Abilene, Texas 79606

6:00 pm Division 35 Council Meeting

6:30 pm Reception and Banquet

\$20.00 per person - Sign up sheet available October 30th and November 6th

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to Brandon Carr on October 30th!

Calendar

- October 29th – Division 35 Council Meeting – 6:30pm Al's Mesquite Grill
- November 5th -- Club Satellite Meeting – 6:00pm Mezamiz Coffee Shop
- November 11th—Wylie Elementary 2nd Grade Veterans Day Program 2:00pm
- November 19th— Division Council Meeting at

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6:00pm

- November 19th ----Governor William "Bill" Rauhauser-Elegante' Suites 6:30pm
- November 21st – Board Meeting 12:00 noon – Bogie's Sandwich shop

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1925

- Sponsored Father & Son Banquet.
- Host to a Division Conference.
- Helped organize Coleman Club.
- Secured transportation of Boy Scouts to camp in Cristoval and met with San Angelo Club there.
- Assisted in a trade trip for Abilene, covering more than 1000 miles in special train.
- Provided surgical treatment and hospitalization for crippled children.
- Assisted Community Chest drive.
- Year end membership 64. Assistance was given the YMCA to purchase a bus by the club in June.
- The club cooperated with other clubs in a "Welcome Home" celebration of the 490th Civil Affairs Co. at the VFW Hall.



Josie Knecht and Bernice Wolfe were guests.

- International Kiwanis President Merle Tucker was the Commencement speaker at Hardin-Simmons University.
- Reed Ingalsbe started his campaign for election for Lt. Gov. Division 12 with a bus load of Kiwanians going to San Angelo for an inter-club and promotion.
- The club sponsored a distribution of blotters to all members of the Chamber of Commerce.



Club Satellite at the Division 35 Magic Show: LaQuiera Gantt Amanda Hothan and Sarah Franz



Club Satellite at the Reagan Fall Festival: Michelle Brasher and Christine Curtis-Carr



Club Satellite at the Reagan Fall Festival: Michelle Brasher and Twyla Young



Club Satellite at the Reagan Fall Festival

SPIRITUAL AIMS THOUGHT TO PONDER

By Mark Hoover

Weekly Verse

“Be of good courage,
And He shall strengthen your heart,
All you who hope in the LORD.” -Psalm 31:24

Weekly Quote

“We can walk without fear, full of hope and courage and strength to do His will, waiting for the endless good which He is always giving as fast as He can get us able to take it in.” -George MacDonald

Weekly Thought

What keeps us from attempting—let alone accomplishing—great things? None other than fear! No wonder the phrase “fear not” is found more than 100 times throughout the Bible. The opposite of fear is courage. But how do you get courage if you’re afraid? Unlike the Cowardly Lion, it’s not like we can

follow the Yellow Brick Road with Dorothy and Toto to see if a wizard will bestow courage on us.

The psalmist tells us that there is something we can do to build our courage: hope in the Lord (Psalm 31:24). There’s no other starting point. It’s the only thing that enabled David to face Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-51); Gideon to lead a small rag-tag army against the might Midianites (Judges 6:1-7:25); Joshua to cross the Jordan River and later conquer Jericho (Joshua 3:1-17); Peter to walk on water (Matthew 14:22-29). And it’s the only thing that enables you and me to face any giants and challenges that come our way.

Is your hope in God?

Oh Lord, I do put my hope in you this day. Give me the courage and strengthen my heart so I can do something great for You. Amen.

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You're Invited to
Wylie 2nd Grade
Veterans Day
Program



11/11/13
2:00p. m.
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