

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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Rev. Felicia Hopkins: Senior Pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, April 9th



As a thought influencer, Felicia Hopkins is a unique person who inspires her audiences to action. While drawing from her professional and personal experiences she crafts and delivers life changing messages.

Originally from Buffalo, NY Felicia is the Senior Pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Abilene, Texas.

She received her undergraduate degree from Valparaiso University and a Master's of Divinity from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Felicia is a ubiquitous individual who also brings with her a vast amount of experience from not only the church, but the corporate and military arenas as well where she spent over 7 years working for Pepsi Cola Company, Wal-Mart Distribution and Kraft General Foods as a manager.

A retired Army officer, she is proud to have served over 20 years on active duty and as a Reservist - to include a tour as a Trauma Chaplain in Operation Iraqi Freedom - where she ministered to over 12,000 Wounded Warriors and their family members in Germany.

Felicia travels all over the country as a Thought Influencer and was just a speaker for the Igniting Transformation Conference at Promise Keepers in Dallas, Texas.

Her awards are many and include the El Paso Women of the Year and being inducted into the El Paso Woman's Hall of Fame –Professional Division.

Her most prized title is that of mother to her two wonderful sons, Samuel and Adam.



Russell Berry led the opening prayer.



Randy Williams led the singing.



Clinton Nix urged members to bring guests to our meetings.



Greg Fortson introduced the program.



Jill Fortson presented the program.



David Bacon gave the Pancake Day ticket sales report.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting
April 2nd, 2014
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Mark Hoover
Prayer.....	Russell Berry
Music.....	Randy Williams
Piano.....	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Gary Poynor
Guests.....	Clint Nix
Cup Money.....	\$33.59

In our prayers

Nancy Miller as she recovers from hip replacement surgery.
 Remember to pray for Joan, wife of George Knight, and Marilyn, wife of Jeff Goodin.
 Continue to remember: Edith Smith, James Shields, Jarrell Young, and Bill Zavatson
 Reflect on the love of Jesus.

Program

One of our newest members, Greg Fortson, introduced his lovely wife Jill, who is the Director of Career Services at Abilene Christian University as the speaker on April 2nd. Jill and Greg have been married 27 years and have 3 children, a set of 12 year old twins and a 17 year old.

The career center helps prepare students for careers after college. She communicated this group is known as "Generation Z" and what we are seeing is that students are lacking interpersonal skills. The career center helps with that, helping them prepare resumes and interview skills. In addition help is given to help them network and figure out their career path. The center hosts interview workshops where human resource professionals come in to provide 30 minute interview blocks to help students learn how to present themselves in an interview.

She communicated ways we could help thru providing internships for students, or mentoring opportunities. Contact Jill for ways to connect.

President Mark Hoover thanked Jill for this informative presentation and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in her honor to help fund scholarships for students.

Closing Quote: From Nelson Mandela:



Only three weeks until Pancake Day! Sell! Sell! Sell!

"A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination." That is what we are as Kiwanians, "a formidable combination". Go out there and demonstrate that combination.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PANCAKE DAY REPORT – WEEK 3

1st place team – Casablanca.....	\$1,305.00
2nd place team – Little Rascals(Club Satellite).....	\$855.00
3rd place team – Gone With The Wind.....	\$525.00
Total Week Four.....	\$3,055.00

Ticket Sales to Date.....\$11,895.00

Top Sales Bobbie Wolfe with Casablanca at \$1,000.00, Michelle Brasher from Little Rascals at \$200.00, Gone with the Wind Raymond McDaniel at \$175 and Jamie Breed coming in close for True Grit at \$170.00.

SELL TICKETS FOLKS! This is important! Last year at week 4 we were at \$13,670.00, we are behind by \$1,775.00. Bring in those Ticket Sales!

SILENT AUCTION

Items and donations are needed. Contact Marty Anderson to learn how you can help. A quote from Marty: "We Need Your Stuff!" Marty thanked those who have brought in items. Folks the Silent Auction is a big part of Pancake Day. President Hoover stressed the importance of helping with this important part of Pancake Day. Please do your part to make it a success! It's about helping the children and our community!

Lay Person of the Year

Nominations are needed as soon as possible. Please get those in to President Mark Hoover.

PANCAKE SONG

We will sing this each week to celebrate the annual Pancake Day event:

PANCAKE SONG TUNE – SCHOOL DAYS

BY Mrs. Joe Smith – 1957

Pancakes Pancakes

Good old golden pancakes

Bacon and syrup and butter too

Will more than delight each one of you

Now it is dear old pancake time

When all the folks will stand in line

There's music and fun and a real good time

As we all on pancakes will dine

Calendar

- April 8 - Division Council Meeting at 6:00pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- April 17 – Board Meeting, Bogies Sandwich Shop 12:00 noon
- April 26 – PANCAKE DAY – 2014
- May 6 – Club Satellite Meeting, Mezamiz Coffee Shop, 6:00pm
- June 5 –Division 35 Annual Pray Breakfast – Bobbie Wolfe's, 24 Avenida de Silva

Other Important Dates for Division 35 and Kiwanis International:

- TX/OK District Convention: August 7-10, 2014 in Midwest City, OK 73140. Their website is: www.heartland2014.com
- International Convention 2014: July 17-20, 2014 in Chiaba, Japan
- International Convention 2015: June 25-28, 2015 in Indiana.

This Convention will be the Kiwanis 100th year anniversary!

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1958

- A big push is being put on to get all Kiwanians to pay Poll Tax.
- Club members assisted with the mailing of the Easter Seals.
- Wearing the Kiwanis Lapel button is being encouraged by the Public Relations Committee.
- Charles McFarland, Texas-Oklahoma District Governor was the speaker at the Club's meeting on March 12, 1958. A reception for all Kiwanis ladies was held at the home of Mrs. Joe Smith for them to greet the Governor's mother who came with him. The Governor was presented a western hat.
- Circle K is going great out at Hardin Simmons

University as it is at McMurry College.

• Bob Niemann is the over-all chairman of the Pancake supper. Charles Heard is the Co-chairman. The supper is set for April 8 in Rose Field House. Tickets are 50 cents each. Supplies used at the supper included: 640 lb. bacon, 840 lb. pancake mix, 662 tall cans Pet evaporated milk, 180 lb Margarine, 396 quarts syrup. Clive Pierce sold 641 tickets. Total ticket sales were 8,267. Certificates were given to all who sold 100 or more tickets. Five hours of entertainment were provided as well as two clowns according to Claude Willis.



Christine Curtis-Carr brought in a good amount of Pancake ticket sales from Club Satellite.



Royce Manning celebrated his birthday this week.



It was great to have Jarrell Young with us this week.

EASTER DEVOTIONAL

Easter Verse

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?'"

-John 11:25-26

Easter Quote

"We could cope—the world could cope—with a Jesus who ultimately remains a wonderful idea inside his disciples' minds and hearts. The world cannot cope with a Jesus who comes out of the tomb, who inaugurates God's new creation right in the middle of the old one."

-N.T. Wright

Easter Thought

You've probably heard people say that when we die, we'll go to heaven, somewhere "up there" to be with Jesus. We'll escape this corrupt world and fly around in the clouds for all eternity. There's an escapist mentality in our popular understanding of life after death that doesn't begin to capture the astounding implications of Jesus' resurrection for the here and now.

It was Sunday morning, and the Teacher that so

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. Walk the Talk!

By Mark Hoover

many had followed and believed in was seemingly lost to them. Then a few of His followers discovered something remarkable—“He is not here; He has risen!” (Luke 24:6) Over the next several days, Jesus appeared to His followers. He talked with them and ate with them. He didn't appear to them simply as an ethereal ghost, but as a real person, resurrected by the power of God.

As resurrection people, who live through the very same power that Jesus was resurrected by (Ephesians 1:18-21), we are called to submit our lives to Christ and allow His Holy Spirit to do the work of Christ through us. We are His hands and feet in the world. We are still “real people” who need to engage in this world rather than look forward to escaping it. Jesus will return and restore not only souls, but all of creation (Romans 8:22-23). As we anticipate His return, let us live out our calling to operate in the same Spirit that Jesus has—to love and worship God with all that we have and to love others with the love of God.

Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for our sins. We know You didn't stay in the grave, but You defeated death. We too have the promise of resurrection and defeat over death. May everything we do reflect that glorious hope. Amen.

2013-2014 OFFICERS

Mark Hoover - President
Randy Williams - Immediate Past President
Jamie Breed - President-Elect
Ken Poynor - Vice President
Kelly Jones - Vice President
Marion “Lew” Lewis - Vice President
Tim Adcock - Treasurer
Faye Dodson - Secretary
Kimberley Cole - Foundation Advisor

2013-2014 DIRECTORS

Two Year:	One Year:
Cynthia Laster	Christine Curtis-Carr
Gary Poynor	Pam McGrew
John Snapp	John Ruiz
Marty Anderson	Brice West
Ashley Larry	Edith Smth

PANCAKE TEAMS

Casablanca

Roy V. Dent *

Bill R. Hoogstra
Bobbie Wolfe
Charles Ellis
Clinton Nix
David Bacon
David Batson
Don Paige
Donald H. McDonald Jr.
Donna K. King
Doug Williamson
Faye Dodson
Greg Fortson
Jeff Goodin
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Mac Sipe
Margaret A. Hoogstra
Marty Anderson
Mike Casey
Nancy R. Miller
Phit P. Kaikratoke
Price Brock
Randy Williams
Rosanna T. Herndon
Royce Manning

Gone With the Wind

Lora Lynn Christensen *

Brice West
Carl Lockett
Chris Carnohan
Cynthia Laster
Dennis R. Laster
Dick Kincaid
Don E. Henderson
Glyn Hammons
Gordon Dowell
Jack Rentz
Jarrell Young
John Snapp
Julie Wagner
Keith Garner
Ken A. Poynor
Kristen Carnohan
Mark E. Young
Melvin Martin
Raymond McDaniel Jr.
Robert K. Pritz
Ronny R. Mason

The Little Rascals

Christine Curtis-Carr *

Amanda Hothan
Amanda Martin
Ashley Larry
Brandon Carr
Edith Smith
John Hewitt
Kirk W. Hancock
LaQuiera K. Gantt
Laurin A. Parrack
Michelle Brasher
Sarah Franz
Sean Anderson
Stephanie R. Hodge
Twyla Young

True Grit

Lew Lewis *

Tim Adcock
Doris J. Armstrong
Jim N. Berry
Russell Berry
Curtis Blackburn
Gary Bomar
Jamie Breed
Zach Briley
Roy Cloud
James Hallmark
Jack Harkins
Mark Hoover
David Jones
Charles Kirkpatrick
George W. Knight
Kirby Leeson
Guy Lucas
Pamela McGrew
Gary L. Poynor
Dub G. Pritchett
John Ruiz
Donald Scargall
Guinn Smith
Kenny Smith
William A. Smith
David A. Vela
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