

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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GETTING "UP TO SPEED" ON THE GRACE MUSEUM

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, October 29th



The Program Committee, in the past few months, has been active in presenting programs that highlight assets in our city that help to make Abilene one of the major visitor options in the big state of Texas.

Today we put emphasis on one of the more novel attractions, The Grace Museum. To make that presentation is the current Executive Director, Laura Moore. Laura is a native of Big Spring, but began putting roots in Abilene when she enrolled at Hardin-Simmons University. After a brief educational swing to work on her Masters degree at the University of Manchester in England, she returned to Abilene and married Jay Moore.

She has been a very active citizen in our community, working on marketing and promotional projects for non-profits, providing leadership at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church, serving two terms on the Abilene City Council, executive director of the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, and the project director for Together 2011 which was the committee that brought the ever-popular Nelson Splash to Abilene.

Laura served as interim director of the Grace Museum when Francine Carraro left in February, 2012, then in November of 2012, she was named the Executive Director.

Her most important projects have been assisting her busy husband raise three daughters, Madison, London, and Annalise.

Please make every effort to be in attendance and consider inviting a prospective member to visit as we learn about another vital and popular asset to our community.



Jamie Breed
presides



Dennis Laster led
the opening prayer



Gary Poynor led
the singing



James Floyd
introduced guests



John Snapp
passed the Brag
Basket



Randy Williams
introduced the
program



Matt McCloy
presented the
program

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
 Weekly Meeting
 October 22th, 2014
 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Jamie Breed
Prayer.....	Dennis Laster
Music.....	Gary Poynor
Piano.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge.....	Don Paige
Guests.....	James Floyd
Cup Money.....	\$28.11
Brag Money(John Snapp).....	\$15.00

In our prayers

Continue to remember: Edith Smith who had pacemaker surgery on October 22nd. Pray for continued healing. Remember Joan, wife of George Knight

Marilyn Goodin, wife of Jeff Goodin had a stroke while in Las Vegas. Remember to pray for Marilyn in the coming days.

Remember in prayer former member, John Landry who had knee replacement surgery recently. John had surgery again on the knee on October 22nd.

Remember the family of A.C. Johnson who passed away recently. A.C. was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene for 31 years, resigning in July 2013 due to his health.

Guests

Guest.....Member
 Monroe NevelsClub
 Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene
 Guests: Gene Linder,
 Steven Leggett, Gary and Gail Jay

Program

Randy Williams introduced Matt McCloy as the speaker on October 22nd. Matt works for the Wildlife Services Division of the State of Texas. His role varies, however this is the group that catches hogs, coyotes and such. The department's role is much broader than catching wild animals though. Some of their responsibilities include sending blood samples for testing for disease. The audience was given opportunity to ask questions and learned lots of interesting information about foxes, armadillos, squirrels, and other wild critters.

President Jamie Breed thanked Matt for the

ELIMINATE
 maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 30.8%
Contributions: \$ \$21,956.60
Zeller Fellows: 7
Pledged Zellers: 13
Model Club Members: 2
Number of lives saved: 12,198 @ \$1.80 per shot series

informative program and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in his honor to help fund scholarships for students.

KIWANIANS: LOVE IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Box Tops for Education

Reagan Elementary is collecting box tops for education. Let's help them by bringing those box tops throughout the year.

Division 35 Fund Raiser

The fundraiser will be this Tuesday, October 28th for Hendrick Children's Hospital Room! The Abilene Community Band will present a concert at 7:30pm at the Paramount Theater. Funds received will go toward the \$5,800 remaining need for the Hendrick Children's Hospital Room with any monies above that amount being donated to the Eliminate project.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Lt. Governor Will Smith challenged members to wear pink to the Wednesday meetings during the month of October to help bring awareness to this important focus.

Road Trip!

Lt. Governor William Smith is calling all Kiwanians from Division 35 that can to travel to Comanche on Tuesday November 18th. This will be a lunch meeting for the Kiwanis Club of Comanche at which time we will present a Zeller Award from Division 35 in memory of Dr. Russell Reynolds who was killed

in a fireworks explosion on July 4th 2014. Let Jamie Breed or William Smith know if you can attend.

American Heart Walk

Russell Berry thanked club members for their participation in the American Heart Walk. More than \$600.00 was raised for this event. A big thanks to Christine Curtis-Carr who walked to represent the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

Gumball Report



Earl Williams reported there are 1,032 machines in operation, 231 machines were read in September bringing in \$282.96 bringing the total to date of \$262,931.52!

Governor's News

Save the date now for Governor Colleen's visit to the Big Country with Divisions 12, 22 and 35 on Saturday, February 21, 2015 in Early, Texas.

To reduce travel expenses, T/O will hold three (3) Mid-Year Conferences in three different cities. Hours are 10 – 2 PM. They are:

Heartland - Oklahoma City - Saturday 1/17/2015
Metroplex - DFW Metroplex - Saturday 2/7/2015
South Texas - San Antonio - Saturday 3/14/2015

TX/OK Convention will be held in Texarkana, TX August 7 thru 9, 2015. Ironically, Texarkana will also celebrate their 100 years anniversary!

CALENDAR

- October 28th- Division 35 Fundraiser for CMN/ Hendrick Medical Center Hospital Children's Room – Paramount Theatre 7:30pm
- November 4th – Club Satellite 6:00pm Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton

Street

- November 11th – Division 35 Council Meeting – 6:30pm Al's Mesquite Grill
- November 18th – Interclub to Kiwanis Club Comanche
- November 20th – Board Meeting – 12:00noon Bogies Sandwich Shop
- February 21, 2015 – Governor's Visit for Divisions 12, 22 and 35 – Early, Texas
- June 25–28, 2015 – Kiwanis International Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration, Indianapolis, Indiana
- August 7 – 9th 2015 – Tx/Ok Convention – Texarkana, TX

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1978

- Outgoing President Nicholson closed out his year, and reported on the accomplishments of his presidential year and then our own Lt. Gov. Clive Pierce installed the new officers on Oct. 5. REACH OUT is the new theme for the 1977-78 year in Kiwanis. A new club is in the process of being organized in Haskell. Lt. Gov. Pierce, Clyde Grant and Mel Coltharp are making trips to Haskell to accomplish this. A bus load made up of 37 Kiwanians and wives went to the Charter Nite Banquet on Nov. 10. District Governor Charles B. Gillespie presented the Charter.
- Walter Ott made an appeal for Kiwanians to bring clothing suitable for Boys Ranch and Girls Home to the next meeting.
- The new president of Hardin-Simmons University, Dr. Jessie Fletcher spoke to the Club on November 16. He was introduced by Dr. Lindell Harris.
- Lt. Gov. Clive Pierce and J. B. & Molly Jordan attended the Albany Charter Night Program on November 18.
- District Governor Charles Gillespie made his official visit to Division 35 on November 28 at the Abilene Civic Center. The theme of the banquet was an African Safari with a Jungle Beating, Head Hunting good time. President Raymond McDaniel served as Tribal Chief and gave general directions to the various activities. The attendance was 184 Kiwanians and guests.
- The Club contributed \$50 for purchasing "A Patch of Blue" Blue Bonnet seeds to help beautify the T & P right-of-way through town.
- The Charter Night for the ACHS Key Club Charter Night Banquet was December 6 at the ACU Campus Center.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Randy Williams

Albert Einstein once said, "There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." Now, I'm not sure what this tells us about Einstein's religious beliefs but it is an interesting perspective. I suppose that it is a matter of expectation. In John 14:12, Jesus said, "Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these." I have struggled to fully understand this verse for many years but recently, I believe God showed me what Jesus was saying. What could be "greater" than raising someone from the dead? I believe that Jesus was referring to the fact that once he left this earth, those who were left

would be doing many miracles "in His name." Jesus was one but we are many. Many, working together, in His name, doing miracles. There is power in "the many". Throughout the Word, God speaks to the power of unity in spirit and in prayer. Kiwanians, we are simply better together. Pancake Day is a classic example of how collective effort of the group can result in wonderful things. If we are going to Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time, then we must understand this basic concept of God. And as we work together, your faith in God may tell you to expect to see Him work (miracles) or, you may expect miracles because God is working through you.

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. LOVE IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT!

2014-2015 OFFICERS

Jamie Breed - President
Mark Hoover - Immediate Past President
Christine Curtis-Carr - President-Elect
David Jones - Vice President
Guy Lucas - Vice President
Tim Adcock - Treasurer
Faye Dodson - Secretary
Kimberley Cole - Foundation Advisor

2014-2015 DIRECTORS

Two Year:	One Year:
Roy Dent	Marty Anderson
Charles Ellis	Cynthia Laster
Keith Garner	Gary Poynor
Clinton Nix	John Snapp
	Ashley Larry

October 21, 2014

Kiwanis Club of Abilene

On behalf of the Taylor County Board of Directors of the American Heart Association I would like to thank you for participating in the Heart Walk this year.

We really appreciate you raising \$600 for the Walk. We had a very successful walk raising close to \$110,000.00. Without teams like yours we would not be able to raise the vital funds needed for research and education for heart disease and stroke. Heart Disease continues to be the No1 Killer of all Americans and Stroke the Number 4.

Thank you for your continued support, and I really appreciate all of you and the work you do for our community.

Kindest Regards,



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