

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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PURE GOLD!

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, December 10th



PURE GOLD is the Show Choir at Abilene High School. Comprised of 18 members, it is a group of student musicians that range from sophomores to seniors, and chosen by competitive audition each spring, for the following school year.

PURE GOLD is a featured guest at many gatherings and concerts during the school year; they perform for a wide variety of community as well as school events. This past December 6, PURE GOLD was honored to join the Abilene Philharmonic and their guest singer, Ben Utecht, in a program of holiday favorites.

All members of PURE GOLD are also members of the Varsity Mixed Choir at AHS, which is 68 voices strong this year.

PURE GOLD is co-directed by Stephanie Mouat and Hillary Malone, the Choral Directors at Abilene High School.



David Jones was looking very presidential as he filled in for President Breed today.



Lora Lynn left her familiar place at the piano to lead singing today.



Kelly Jones introduced our guests.



Gayla Gill was looking a lot like Christmas today.



Julie Neill is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene.



It was GREAT to have Marty back with us today.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting
December 10th, 2014
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	David Jones
Prayer.....	Earl Williams
Music.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Piano.....	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Guinn Smith
Guests.....	Kelly Jones
Cup Money.....	\$35.82
Brag Money(Lew Lewis).....	\$12.00

In our prayers

Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry, Edith Smith and Marty Anderson in prayer

Remember Joan, wife of George Knight and Marilyn, wife of Jeff Goodin.

Remember Donna King as she continues to have medical testing.

Guests

Guest.....	Member
Ellen Jones	Kelly Jones
Sherry Weeks.....	Rodney Weeks
Joan Batson	David Batson

Guests from Greater Abilene Kiwanis: Bobbi Bieberly, Julie Neill, George Woodfin and Roma Howard

Program

Vice President David Jones introduced Charles Bishop and the team from Wal-Mart North as the program on December 10th. Charles' assistants were introduced as Rachael and Dana. They featured the "hot items" for children this year which of course included anything "Frozen" related. We saw lots of electronic items, a Zoomer Dino and some Hot Wheels toys. One of those fun electronic items was "Atari Flashback" which featured all those fun games we played as kids! Joan Batson, wife of David Batson won an I-Pod Touch as the door prize drawing! Congratulations Joan!

David thanked the group for coming and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in their honor to help fund scholarships for high school students.

MERRY CHRISTMAS KIWANIANS!
KIWANIANS: LOVE IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT!

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You!

Thank you to Vice President David Jones for leading the meeting on December 10th!

Club Directory

The 2014-2015 Kiwanis Club of Directory is available on line. Note the directory is password protected. Contact Faye Dodson for the user id and password. Be sure to thank Charles Kirkpatrick for making this available.

Box Tops for Education

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

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 Abilene, 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

- CANCELLED MEETINGS: December 24th and December 31st
- December 18, 2014 – Board Meeting – 12:00noon Bogies Sandwich Shop
- January 6th, 2015 – Club Satellite –6:00 pm Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St
- January 13th, 2015 – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- February 21, 2015 – Governor's Visit for Divisions 12, 22 and 35 – Abilene
- June 25–28, 2015 – Kiwanis International Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration, Indianapolis, Indiana
- August 7 – 9th 2015 – Tx/Ok Convention – Texarkana, TX



Rodney Weeks brought his wife, Sherry, as his guest.

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1983

- The new year started off with an Installation Banquet and Ladies Night at Briarstone Manor. Bedford Furr was the presiding officer. Lt. Gov. John Graham a member of South Abilene Club installed the officers and directors. Legion of Honor Awards were presented to 6 Kiwanians and Kirby Leeson was the Kiwanian of the Year honoree. The Kiwanis Club was asked to furnish personnel to handle parking at the LaJet Golf Classic at Fairway Oaks. Mel Coltharp, Henry McGinty and Jerome Vannoy served as Co-Chairmen. They used Henry's travel trailer complete with telephone as headquarters. A total of 90 Kiwanians donated in excess of 750 man hours. We were able to man the parking lot with 3 shifts of Kiwanians for the five day period. The club received \$1546 which was placed in the community service fund.
- Beginning the first of this Kiwanis year the Kiwanigram did not have the advertising section as part of it.
- Beginning Friday, October 29, 1982 the Kiwanis Club of Abilene began volunteer work with Meals on Wheels. The Club has been assigned Route 23 which covers the Northeast and East Abilene. Steve Hughes has volunteered to be the Project Coordinator. Bedford Furr and Jim Jennings are the first to volunteer for this service.
- Jim Jennings, Chairman of the Goodfellow Committee, presented a \$400 check to John Price and David Webb, Abilene Goodfellows Chairmen. It has been the custom for several years for our club to be the first donor to the Goodfellows.
- Sixteen Kiwanians and 6 Kiwaniqueens came and helped write script for the Goodfellows at the First Baptist Church.
- We gave \$1000 for Special Olympics and \$1300 to Girls Home.
- President Ron writes a column in the Kiwanigram in which he comments about the activities of the various committees and Kiwanians. He is recognizing a Kiwanian of the Week in each of his Keener's Komments column.
- The Club continues to support and provide equipment for the School Safety Patrols.
- The three Vice Presidents are responsible for organizing the Ladies Nite Banquet on February 15. There was a Valentine atmosphere throughout the evening. John Stevens was the speaker who brought a humorous comments on "Time".
- Bedford Furr, General Chairman of the Pancake Supper, has named Clive Pierce as the Ticket Sales Chairman. The date is Mar. 9. Tickets are \$2.50. Clive Pierce sold \$2430 worth. The supper went off in great style at the coliseum. Gross receipts: \$19,070.50. Net: \$13,858.50. Walter Pfeifer developed a supper slide show.
- The Club presented a check for \$1500 to help purchase the old fire station on South 7th Street for the Day Care Center for the Elderly and a check for \$1000 to Hospice of Ablene.
- Several Kiwanians went to Austin to participate in the Grant Jones Governor for a Day.
- The Abilene Club Membership Roundup will last thru May and on June 1 we had New Member Round Up Day. Chet Ferguson, District Membership Chairman was the speaker. We now have 270 members, 50 new this year. We are the largest Club in the District.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Randy Williams

One of the most insidious maneuvers of Satan is the promotion of an unintentional life. He has been masterful at diverting our attention away from noticing one another. And because of this we simply get used to not "seeing" those around us. God calls us to live intentionally. God calls us to look at one another in a way that makes a difference. Sometimes a simple smile to someone who is having a rough day can actually make a big difference. God wants us to live intentional toward our brother in the same way that He lives intentionally toward

us. Now, get hold of that concept. This time of year we see so many acts of kindness. Acts done in acknowledgement of who He is. Open handed living. God notices every caring act, every kindness, every encouraging word, and every gesture that says, "I see you and I care". If you truly want to "Change the World One Child and One Community at a Time", then you will live intentionally toward those around you. Remember, God never tires of living intentionally toward 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