

# KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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## PANCAKE DAY KICK-OFF!

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, March 4th



**Pancake Day Kick-Off!** There are a few new ideas in the works for this year's Pancake Day so come prepared to have some fun this Wednesday with Pancake Chair Christine Curtis-Carr and Ticket Sales Captain Kimberley Cole.

*Here is a little teaser: What does Frankie Valli and Carol Burnett have to do with Pancake Kickoff? You'll have to come to the meeting to find out...*



Jamie calls the meeting to order.



Bill Hoogstra led the opening prayer.



Cynthia Laster accompanied our singing.



Charles Ellis welcomed our guests.



Melvin Martin introduced the program.



Gerry McDowell presented our program.



Kimberley Cole was lining up team leaders for Pancake Day ticket sales.

**KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE**  
 Weekly Meeting  
 February 25th, 2015  
 Abilene Country Club

**ELIMINATE**  
 maternal/neonatal tetanus



Led Meeting .....	Jamie Breed
Prayer .....	Bill Hoogstra
Music.....	Bobbie Wolfe
Piano .....	Cynthia Laster
Pledge.....	John Ruiz
Guests .....	Charles Ellis
Cup Money .....	\$35.78
Brag Money (Gary Bomar).....	\$12.00

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

**In our prayers**

Remember Pat Lockett as she recovers from hip surgery.

Margaret Hoogstra had successful back surgery recently. Please continue to pray for healing.

Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry, Edith Smith, and Marty Anderson.

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

Praise that Gordon Dowell is doing well from recent surgeries. It was good to see Gordon at the meeting this week.

**Guests**

Guest.....	Member
Mickey Hayes .....	Guy Lucas
Mary Ann Martin.....	Melvin Martin

From Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene:  
 Bobbie Bieberly and Misty Hayward

**Program**

Melvin Martin introduced Gerry McDowell as the speaker on February 25th. Gerry shared the success of The Mill Winery and Event Center. The family has a ten acre grape vineyard and found success in the venture. It was the intention to grow the grapes, harvest them and sell them to small wineries. He expressed that the 1st three years were tough! He shared how they learned along the way and the steps that came together to acquire The Mill. The family affair, has truly been just that, a true family affair whereby each family member has been involved in the process. He complemented the City of Abilene as they worked with them to help them stay on track and accomplish the task. The winery opened on May 2nd 2014. Folks seem to enjoy the outdoor atmosphere although there is also indoor seating. The Mill is open Wednesday through Saturday evenings. They serve rib-eye every

Thursday night which has been a huge success! In addition they also have live entertainment every night. The outpouring of the community has been incredible! He shared some of the upcoming events and invited everyone to visit soon.

Mindy, Gerry's daughter, spoke briefly sharing the operation side of The Mill. They host wedding events, reunions and all sorts of fun events. The property is large enough to host several events at the same time. The vision and plan has been transformed into a successful venue that is exciting for Abilene. Check out their website at <http://www.themillwinery.com>.

From the website: "The Mill exists to provide an environment where experience is the primary value. We desire to establish a unique setting where fellowship and community can be harvested, along with a wine encounter unlike any other. The Mill is excited to offer opportunities to engage aspects of the wine culture and enjoy its rich history".

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Lt. Governor William A Smith who was recognized as a Distinguished Member in 2013-2014 by Immediate Past President Gunter Gasser for his service to Kiwanis. President Jamie Breed presented a beautiful pin to Will in honor of his accomplishment.





Will Smith was presented with the Kiwanis International Distinguished Member pin by President Jamie Breed. Congratulations, Will!

Lt. Governor Will Smith expressed appreciation to Kiwanians who attended the Governors Visit on February 21st. The Kiwanis Club of Abilene had 18 members present for the event. A big thank you to those who helped make the event successful, especially Larry Folwell, President of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene.

## Meals on Wheels

Kudos to the Meals on Wheels committee! This group serves faithfully from week to week delivering meals to folks who really need this service. Committee Chair, Bill Hoogstra expressed appreciation for their dedication and for making a difference in the lives of others.

## CBI Forms Due

Criminal Background Investigation renewals are due. Thank you to each who completed the CBI forms recently. Faye will file those with Tx-Ok. Contact Faye if you need a form at [abilenekiwanis.org](mailto:abilenekiwanis.org)

## Layperson of the Year

Randy Williams announced it is not too early to think about selecting a layperson of the year. Applications are available on the Kiwanis Club of Abilene website and are due by April 1st. Contact Randy for additional information. The form is available on our website at <http://abilenekiwanis.org/>

## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

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

## CALENDAR

- March 3, 2015 – Club Satellite –6:00 pm Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St
- March 10th – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- March 16th - The Key Club charter celebration is scheduled for Monday at 5:00 pm at TSTC West Texas
- March 19 – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon Bogies Sandwich Shop
- PANCAKE DAY – April 25th – Abilene Civic Center
- June 25–28, 2015 – Kiwanis International Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration, Indianapolis, Indiana
- August 7 – 9th 2015 – Tx/Ok Convention – Texarkana, TX

A 100 Year Anniversary VIDEO Message from KI President John Button:

<http://www.kiwanis.org/kiwanis100/resources/video-messages>

## Perfect Attendance: February 2015

Tim Adcock	Richard Kincaid
Sean Anderson	Donna King
Mado Assani	Charles Kirkpatrick
David Bacon	Ashley Larry
Russell Berry	Cynthia Laster
Michelle Brasher	Guy Lucas
Jamie Breed	Amanda Martin
Zach Briley	Melvin Martin
Brandon Carr	Donald McDonald
Chris Carnohan	Nancy Miller
Lora Lynn Christensen	Monroe Nevels
Kimberley Cole	Clinton Nix
Christine Curtis-Carr	Don Paige
Charles Ellis	Laurin Parrack
James Floyd	Gary Poynor
Sarah Franz	Kenneth Poynor
Key Gantt	Donald Scargall
Keith Garner	William A Smith
Gayla Gill	Becky Spargo
Glyn Hammons	Dusty West
John Hewitt	Earl Williams
Stephanie Hodge	Amanda Wiskow
William Hoogstra	Mark Young
Mark Hoover	Twyla Young

## Kiwanis Through the Years: 1962

- Raymond Fain was introduced by Henry McGinty as the new Scoutmaster for Troop 6 which is sponsored by the club.

- Jim Griggs was the first new member to be introduced in 1962.
- The Kiwanigram cost the club \$21.00 per week to get printed.
- Reed Ingalsbe read a Resolution of Respect to Claude Willis. Claude "Skipper" was a great Kiwanian and was noted for being principal at College Heights School, Sea Scout Skipper and director of the water safety program at Camp Tonkawa.
- The club held a recognition program for the basketball coaches of the various schools of the city.
- The club awarded \$400 to support the high school science fair program.
- Clive Pierce was chosen to head up the ticket sales portion of the Pancake supper which is scheduled for April 24 in Rose Field House. The Mayor and County Judge has issued a Proclamation that April 24 be set aside as KIWANIS PANCAKE FESTIVAL DAY. Six batter dispensers were purchased. Three new pancake griddles were built by Raymond McDaniel and Nib Shaw using materials donated by the Central Texas Iron Works and the facilities of the Texas Coca Cola Bottling Co. Aunt Jemima was an outstanding guest at the Festival. Ticket sales added up to 9,812 with an income of \$4,903.17 and a profit of \$3,504.89.
- Six club members and their wives attended the International Convention in Denver.
- The Club supported a 4-H exchange trip to Anamosa, Iowa with \$140.
- Sixteen members went on the old Eagle Bus to Brownwood for an Inter-Club. Dr. Joe Humphrey was the program for the day.
- Assistance was given the YMCA to purchase a bus by the club in June.
- The club cooperated with other clubs in a



Mickey Hayes was a guest of Guy Lucas.

"Welcome Home" celebration of the 490th Civil Affairs Co. at the VFW Hall.

- 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 urging local business and professional men to hire college students. It contains the names of all the student placement officers of the local colleges. Cost the club \$150.00 and was done by the Vocational Guidance Committee.
- The club furnishes helmets, belts and flags to nearly a thousand safety patrol members.
- Kiwanis International installed a computer punch card system to keep the records of all Kiwanians.
- Nearly 2500 registrations at the Texas-Oklahoma District Convention at Oklahoma City set a record for attendance.



Misty Hayward was a guest of Julie Wagner.



Mindy Howard helped present the program and Maryann Martin was a guest of Melvin.

## SPIRITUAL AIMS

Remember when you were a little kid and your Daddy was trying to get you to jump into his arms? Maybe you were on the couch or the side of a swimming pool. It was scary. You asked yourself, "will he really catch me?" Then you jumped and he caught you and in that moment you felt safe, secure, and loved. You probably even laughed from relief. When God parted the waters of the Jordan, all he asked the children of Israel to do was step into the river. If they were to take the land of Canaan, they had to take this first step of faith. When they moved, He moved. Did you know that He is still in the business of doing amazing works among us? We just have to be willing to trust Him and take the first steps of faith. The best way to do this is not to

*By Randy Williams*

look at the water or the distance of the jump. The best way is to keep our eyes on Him and not our circumstance. Kiwanians, every week I remind you of our club motto, "Changing the World, One Child and One Community at a Time". But it's like the importance of the health of a care giver. What is the quality of the care given if the care giver themselves are weak or ill. They must put forth an effort to keep healthy and strong so that the care they give will be of quality. So it is with our spiritual health. Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Just remember that when you move, He will move. Are you ready?

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### 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