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DR. JEFF KEY: UNDERSTANDING MIDDLE EAST ISSUES

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, March 25th



Dr. Jeff Key, professor of political science and head of Hardin-Simmons University's Political Science Department, will shed light for us on the current issues developing in the Middle East. Considered an expert on the politics of South Asia, Dr. Key has conducted research in the region for over two decades and his most recent work focuses on the Maoist movement in Nepal.

Dr. Key has lectured at prominent institutions, including Chatham House in London, and the Woodrow Wilson Center and the Foreign Service Institute in Washington, DC. He has presented papers at international conferences from Toronto, Canada, to Dhaka, Bangladesh and has also participated in briefings and policy sessions on Nepal at the United States Department of State. His published works include articles in journals as diverse as *Asian Affairs*, *German Life*, and *Practicing Texas Politics*.

Dr. Key came to Hardin-Simmons in 2006 after 16 years on the faculty of the Department of Government and International Affairs at Sweet Briar College in Virginia. His wife of 30 years, Kerri, is a special education teacher at Jim Ned High School in Tuscola. Their son Tom is a graduate of Lynchburg College in Virginia, and their son John is a student at Texas Tech University.

Degrees Earned

- Bachelor of Arts, Government, University of Texas at Austin, 1981
- Master of Arts, Political Science, Baylor University, 1982
- Doctor of Philosophy, Government, University of Texas at Austin, 1990



Walter Zeller Fellowship medals were presented to Russell Berry, Gary Poynor, Tim Adcock, Price Brock, Jack Harkins, Jack Rentz, Edith Smith, and Will Smith.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
 Weekly Meeting
 March 18th, 2015
 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Jamie Breed
Prayer	Lew Lewis
Music.....	Don Scargall
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Royce Manning
Guests.....	David Bacon
Cup Money	\$35.15
Brag Money (Marty Anderson)	\$4.00

In our prayers

Ellen Jones who had back surgery on March 16th
 Doug Williamson and family. Doug's mother in
 law passed away recently
 Prayer of thanksgiving that Marilyn Goodin is
 home from the hospital and continues to improve.
 Remember Pat Lockett as she recovers from hip
 surgery.
 Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry, Edith
 Smith, and Marty Anderson.
 Remember Joan, wife of George Knight

Guests

Guest.....	Member
Tommy Dodson.....	Faye Dodson
Jim Holliday	Jamie Breed
Kathy Poynor.....	Gary Poynor
Mickey Hayes	Guy Lucas

Program

Mark Hoover introduced Bill Gersonde, Executive
 Director of the Abilene Zoo as the speaker on March
 18th. Bill shared some really interesting information
 pertaining to the zoo, including that the Abilene Zoo
 is the #1 tourist attraction in Abilene! The budget
 for the zoo is approximately 3.2million per year and
 more than \$190,000.00 of that is for animal food
 alone. The zoo is home to at least 1,000 animals
 of which there are at least 250 species. Currently
 there are 32 full time employees and 30-40 seasonal
 employees, so you can see that they are not a small
 organization. Bill shared the Zoo's master plan for
 improvements, including a new giraffe exhibit to
 be completed this fall. He also covered some of the
 elements pertaining to the bond issue which is on
 the ballot. Have you checked out the website? If
 not, take a look at <http://abilenezoo.org/> and by all
 means, visit the Abilene Zoo! You will be amazed
 and of course have a great time!

ELIMINATE
 maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 40.3%
Contributions: \$ 28,706.60
Zeller Fellows: 11
Pledged Zellers: 12
Model Club Members: 3
Number of lives saved: 15,948 @ \$1.80 per shot series

President Jamie Breed thanked Bill for coming
 and shared that 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

**PANCAKE TICKET SALES
WEEK TWO:**

1st Fall.....	\$2,370.00
2nd Winter	\$916.00
3rd Summer.....	\$220.00

Guinn Smith came in 1st for the Fall team with
 \$960.00 in sales
 2nd place to Zack Briley also on the Fall team with
 \$500.00
 3rd place to Carl Locket on the Winter team with
 \$325.00

TOTAL Week 2 \$3,506.00

21 members have submitted ticket money thus
 far bringing total sales to \$4,367.00.

Sell Tickets! The Silent Auction Team needs your
 help with auction item. Contact Marty Anderson for
 more information on how you can get involved.

NOTE!

This coming Wednesday, March 25th we will meet
 in the room next door to the ballroom.

Walter Zeller Fellows!

Congratulations to our Walter Zeller Fellows! Mark Hoover recognized 8 additional Zeller Fellows at the March 18th meeting. President Jamie Breed assisted Mark with the presentations. The following members were recognized for stepping up by contributing at least \$1,250.00 to the Kiwanis International Eliminate Project:

Tim Adcock, Price Brock, Jack Harkins, Gary Poynor, Jack Rentz, Edith Smith, Lt. Governor William Smith and Russell Berry. Each member was presented with a medallion, certificate and lapel pin. This brings us to eleven recognized Zeller Fellows and several others are working toward this goal. In reality, we now have 12, Bobbie Wolfe just reached goal and a formal presentation will be made to him in the near future. Mark reminded members that our original goal is \$71,750.00. With these Zeller gifts and monies paid by other members of the club, along with service monies from committees and end of year allocations, today, our paid gift and pledge totals are at \$28,706.60. That is 40.3% of our goal in just 11 months! Great Job Kiwanians! As you know, together we can help Eliminate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus. As stated by Mark, "We all can be a part of this effort and it does make a difference." Contact Club Secretary, Faye Dodson, or Mark Hoover for more information to get involved.

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/>

CBI

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 Kiwanis@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

- April 7th – Club Satellite –6:00 pm Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St

- April 14th – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- April 16th – 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
- (Delegates will be Jamie Breed and Faye Dodson)
- 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>

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1965

- Lt. Gov. Homer Jordan of San Angelo inducted the new board and officers for 1965.
- This will be the Golden Anniversary year of Kiwanis International.
- D. C. Musick, our faithful Fire Chief, took the club gong home and gave it a good shining. This was the first face lifting the aged gong has had in many a year.
- Pancake Supper activities began on January 14 when a group of 15 Kiwanians met to begin planning. J. O. Cummins is the General Chairman. The date was set for March 16. Total Tickets sold 12,649. Total receipts \$5,861.29. Dispersement \$1,544.86. Net profit \$4316.34
- Dr. Rex Kyker, Past Lt. Gov. reviewed the circumstances surrounding the organization of each of the clubs in Division 12. Abilene was organized Feb. 6, 1921; San Angelo, 1921; Brownwood, 1923; Coleman, 1926; Sweetwater, 1946; Key City, 1962; West Angelo, 1963; West Abilene, 1956; South Abilene, 1960; East Abilene, 1964.
- The week of January 17 was proclaimed by Mayor Lee Byrd as Kiwanis Golden Anniversary Week. The Abilene Reporter News ran a double page giving recognition to the Golden Anniversary Week of Kiwanis.
- Key City's Kiddyland had a good year in 1964, and has purchased some new rides and repainted the train.
- On March 10 a history of the Pancake Supper up to 1965 was printed in the Kiwanigram. It states "Wiley Caffey was general chairman of the first Pancake Supper which was held in 1940 in the ballroom of the Windsor Hotel.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Laquiera Gantt



I am literally minutes removed from participating in what I'd like to call one of the most fulfilling moments in my life. About three years ago, I had a dream of organizing and hosting a girls conference for young ladies. About three weeks ago, my fellow Kiwanians presented me with a check to help assist in this dream. Fast forward three weeks later, I'm proud to say that my dream was answered in ways that I could never have imagined! And while I could go on and on about the event, the truth is, NONE of this could've happened without selfless people and organizations who continuously give of their energy, time and financial resources, to kids they may never even meet. You are the real heroes! I want to thank each and everyone of you for

your commitment to young people, especially when the big lights aren't on you. I am grateful to have such a wonderful organization such as Kiwanis in this wonderful city of Abilene. I am proud to be a Kiwanian. Thank you.



Abilene Zoo Director, Bill Gersonde, presented our program this week.



It was great to have Dub Pritchett back this week after a lengthy illness.



It was good to see Jeff Goodin. His wife, Marilyn, is showing improvement.



Kathy Poynor was a guest of Gary Poynor.



Jim Holliday was a guest of Jamie Breed.

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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

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