

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene

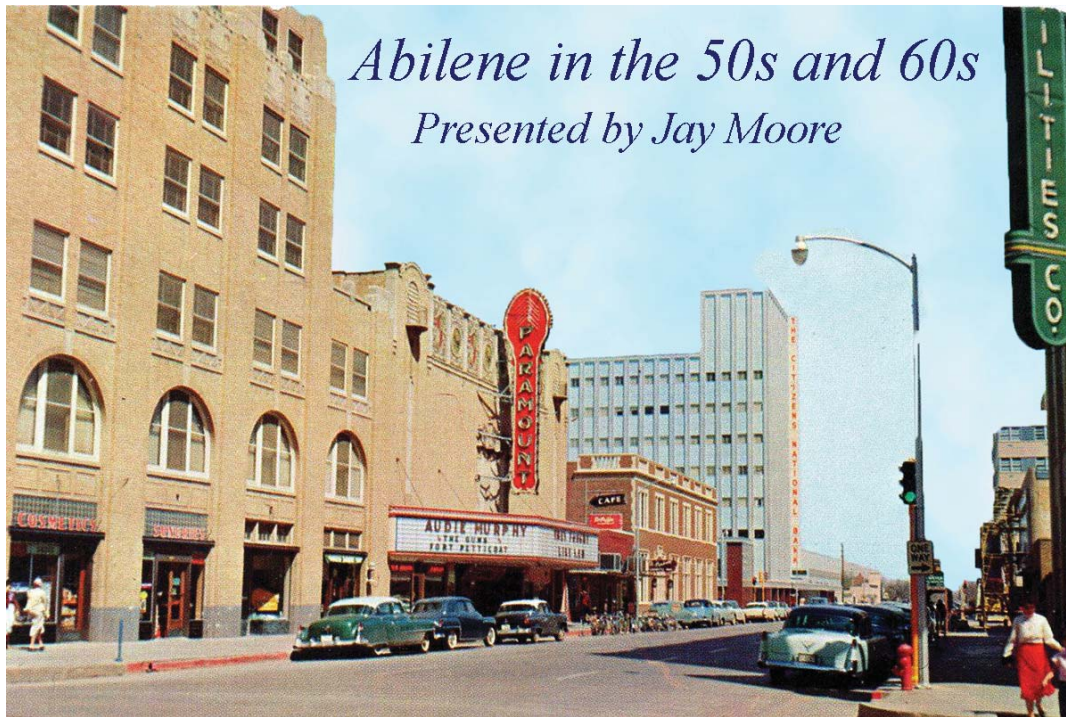


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JAY MOORE: ABILENE IN THE 50'S AND 60'S

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, August 12th



In the two decades from 1950 to 1969, Abilene transformed into the city we know today. It was a period of population growth, an Air Force Base arriving, and television beaming into our ranch style homes in the brand new suburbs. The excitement was punched up with a winning high school football team and a moral struggle over the sale of alcohol in an historically dry county. Come and hear Jay Moore tell about the Abilene you may remember as a teen or the Abilene you never knew existed. The History In Plain Sight from these transformative years remain visible all around us. See you then.



Jamie Breed
President



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President-Elect



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Vice President



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Vice President



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Secretary



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Treasurer

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
 Weekly Meeting
 August 5th, 2015
 Abilene Country Club



Led Meeting	Jamie Breed
Prayer	Curtis Blackburn
Music.....	Russell Berry
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Mark Young
Guests.....	Kimberley Cole
Brag Money	\$19.00 (Glyn Hammons)
Cup Money	\$25.89

Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 45.3%
Contributions: \$32,256.60
Zeller Fellows: 13
Pledged Zellers: 11
Model Club Members: 3
Number of lives saved: 17,920 @ \$1.80 per shot series

In our prayers

Our hearts are saddened at the loss of Sam Carroll on August 6th. Services were held on Monday August 10th. Keep Gracie and family in your prayers during the coming days.

Lt. Governor Will Smith had a heart attack on July 26th. He has had two stents put in and will have additional tests this week. Remember Will and Edith in prayer. Remember Marilyn and Jeff Goodin. Jeff had surgery recently and needs to be inactive for 2 weeks. We know that will be challenging for him.

Kirby Leeson recently had surgery. Please keep him in prayer.

Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry and Palmer McCowan. Remember Joan, wife of George Knight.

Praise that Pat Lockett is doing well.

Guests

Guest.....	Member
Sheila Watts Collier	Clinton Nix

Program

David Bacon introduced Sam Ferguson, Director of Athletics at McMurry University as the speaker on August 5th. Sam shared that he was a former member of Kiwanis in his hometown of Danville, Virginia however they didn't have as much fun as the Kiwanis Club of Abilene!

He shared many of the accomplishments of the coaches at McMurry and communicated that McMurry is transitioning from Division 2 to Division 3 level competing in the Southwest Conference.

Sam shared several highlights from his 1st year at McMurry:

Academic: Last year 45% of scholar athletes maintained a 3.0 or higher GPA in the fall semester. 41% of the athletes accomplished that level in the spring. The honors program is remarkable. 50%

of the Honors Program participants are Scholar Athletes.

He spoke of the accomplishments of several McMurry athletes and shared about student and staff community involvement.

We learned of the coach line up for 2015 and their impressive skills. Our own David Bacon is a part of the staff as "the best broadcaster" in the business!

Financial Impact: Sam communicated the strategy used to challenge coaches to fill their rosters. The strategy worked as their numbers grew in all areas. The result is 74 additional scholar athletes committed to coming to McMurry in the fall.

Opportunities to get involved: Come to the events! He offered free tickets to the September 12th home game against Southwestern. Sign-up sheets for the game will be on the tables this coming Wednesday.

Sam opened the floor for questions and our president asked him if he was ready to re-join Kiwanis! Of course we want him to join the Kiwanis Club of Abilene! She thanked him for the great program and shared 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

Dues Increase

August 12th will be a very important meeting as we vote on a dues increase. Make plans to attend this important meeting. *Please see the attached proposal at the end of the Kiwanigram.*

Pancake Dollars



Charles Ellis, Chairman of the Boys and Girls Committee presented Pancake Dollars in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Mark Young for the Boys and Girls Club.

Perfect Attendance: July 2015

Tim Adcock	Richard Kincaid
David Bacon	Donna King
Russell Berry	Charles Kirkpatrick
Curtis Blackburn	Ashley Larry
Jamie Breed	Dennis Laster
Chris Carnohan	Guy Lucas
Rob Chastain	Royce Manning
Lora Lynn Christensen	Melvin Martin
Roy Cloud	Ronny Mason
Christine Curtis-Carr	Donald McDonald
Tammi Faught	Nancy Miller
Roy Dent	Monroe Nevels
James Floyd	Gary Poynor
Keith Garner	Kenneth Poynor
Gayla Gill	Donald Scargall
Glyn Hammons	William A Smith
William Hoogstra	Becky Spargo
Mark Hoover	Randy Williams
David Jones	Bobbie Lee Wolfe
Kelly Jones	

CALENDAR

- August 11th – Division 35 Council Meeting
6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- August 20th – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon
Bogies Sandwich Shop
- September 1 – Club Satellite – 6:00 pm
Martinez Boys and Girls Club

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1948

- Committees met regularly to carry out the responsibilities of their committees.
- Nib Shaw was chosen as the number one citizen of Abilene. Nib is an outstanding volunteer in many programs for good in Abilene; namely, Kiwanis Club, Past President, Past Lt. Gov., Boy Scout Council, Salvation Army, Community Chest, YMCA, St Paul Methodist Church, West Texas Fair, Red Cross. He is the manager of the Coco Cola Bottling Co.
- Jerome Vannoy was selected to be the Institutional Representative on the Boy Scout District Committee.
- "The Red Cross teams from the Kiwanis Club were recently reported to be the only group in the campaign to have reached its quota."
- Inter-Clubs were important in the District. A traveling gavel was passed from one club to another as clubs visited each other. Jim Jennings was the Inter-club chairman and welcomed the official visit of the Lamesa Club when they came to visit on March 24, 1948.
- On April 14, the club donates \$40.00 to help defray expense of sending packages to the needy in Europe.
- A Gum Ball Machine Committee made up of Bert Chapman, Harlie Woolard, Clyde Grand, Sam Hill and D. C. Musick started its work in April, 1948. This is the result of Dr. Bill King, former Vice-President being transferred to Kansas City. He wrote back to the club telling of the Gum Ball success the club there had with gum balls. On May 27, 1948, John Horn hosted a breakfast to kick off the Gum Ball project. Forty two Kiwanians attended and before the day was out secured 225 locations.
- The club had a family picnic on May 13 at Camp Tonkawa. It took the place of the regular meeting. Swimming, baseball and other games are on the schedule earlier in the afternoon. Plans called for members and families to go out by four or five o'clock to play. Supper served at six. After supper, campfire and a jolly good time and fellowship. Two hundred fifty three persons attended.
- The Boys & Girls Committee took the leading part in National Youth Week. They promoted and gave leadership to the Junior Olympics at Eagle Stadium.
- On August 11, 1948, Len Johnson started reading 5 minutes of the latest news at the regular luncheon.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

I have a friend named Kim who's father died when he was only 9 years old. He, his brother, and sister were raised by their single mother. I know that life was often a struggle for them but you would have never known it by their attitudes. At the time, I felt sorry for him that he didn't have a Dad and I was certainly glad not to be in his shoes. When he became an adult, it seemed that everything he touched was golden. He could make money at everything he tried, or at least, that was the way it seemed. When I go visit him in California I see his success and sometimes catch myself saying, "Why couldn't I be like him?" But through his growing up years there were a number of people who poured into his life. People who modeled Christianity and how we should live before God. And now, Kim is a man who lives open handed before God. I would say that he clearly gives

By Randy Williams

more than he gets. And the true nature of his servant spirit is that he does it quietly, without fan fair, and avoidant of any recognition. Despite his life's adversities he has remained humble and certainly an inspiration to me in my walk. I believe that this is the kind of life God has called all of us to. Quiet servanthood. Not seeking recognition or glory for ourselves but rather, giving God all the glory for how He has blessed us. Kiwanians, if we are going to "Change the World One Child and One Community at a Time", I believe God would have us live open handed like Kim. Our Father in Heaven will bless you but those blessings will not always be financial or material, but, He will bless you for certain. "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45).



(left to right)
Kimberley Cole welcomed guests, Mark Young led the Pledge, Glyn Hammons passed the Brag Basket, and Curtis Blackburn led the opening prayer.



Russell Berry led singing and Tim Adcock played the piano.



McMurry University Athletic Director, Sam Ferguson, presented the program.



Former member, Sheila Collier, was a guest of Clinton Nix.

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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!

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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:
Roy Dent
Charles Ellis
Keith Garner
Clinton Nix

One Year:
Marty Anderson
Cynthia Laster
Gary Poynor
John Snapp
Ashley Larry

**CALLED VOTE ON DUES INCREASE
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2015**

Kiwanis Club of Abilene has four classes of dues. Current dues are:

Regular	Senior/Associate	Club Satellite / Leave of Absence	Lifetime
\$60	\$25.50	\$13	\$48.62

Proposed dues are as follows:

\$72	\$33	\$16	\$62
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Reasons for Increase

- Dues basically are supposed to cover KI Dues, T-O Dues, Administrative Costs, and Meals.
- Under current practice, we were NOT covering all meal costs with dues: \$10 versus \$10.95 + 18% tip.
- Meal difference was made up through non-attendees as Country Club did not charge for those.
- Country Club raised costs – meals to \$15.28 (12.95 + 18% tip); room charge; other costs.
- Board Committee looked at possible other venues. Costs were comparable or more. Board decision was made to stay at Country Club.
- President negotiated with the Country Club for modification of some of the increased costs. She was successful!
- KI proposed and then passed a dues increase of \$10 per year, from \$42 to \$52.
- Our Club currently is “short” \$160 per week or around \$640 per month on charged meals.
- Inequities existed in dues assessments relative to administrative costs for club. There is need for more balance.
- Kiwanis Club of Abilene needs to incorporate the increased food costs plus KI dues increase to maintain positive cash flow.
- If full meal costs and KI dues increase were simply added for regular members, the new monthly cost would be \$81.95 (21.95 increase). That was and is too high!
- Proposed dues increases take into account a 20% member no-show factor for which the Country Club is not charging us, beyond what we guarantee each week. The 20% provides sufficient cushion to cover expenses beyond the new dues amounts.