

VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM: CHUCK SIMS

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, November 11th



Chuck Sims, recently retired owner of Big Country Cabinets will present a program for Veteran's Day on the history of the American flag. Mr. Sims moved to Abilene in 1986 and married to Betty Hay Sims. He is the former Music Minister at Wylie Baptist Church and is currently a member of First Baptist Church. Even though he officially retired from cabinet making, he is currently a volunteer cabinet building Team Leader for Habitat for Humanity, Abilene.

He has sung opera and has a wonderful voice. Other hobbies include golfing and woodworking.

Mr. Sims became interested in American Flag history several years ago and continues that research. He first gave this presentation for the Cactus Lions Club, where he is a member. He says, "I hope those who hear the program will learn new information about the flag and that this information will help to inspire patriotism.

Some patriotic singing will be intertwined in the program. Invite a guest and come ready to honor our Veterans in a most fitting way.



Three generations of Jollys: Grady, David, and Caleb.



David Hendricks presented the program.



Chuck Van DeWeel was a guest of Randy Roewe.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting

November 4th, 2015

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Christine Curtis-Carr
Prayer	Chris Carnohan
Music.....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Randy Williams
Guests.....	Royce Manning
Cup Money	\$37.16
Brag Money	\$7.00 (Kimberley Cole)

In our prayers

Our Veterans

Remember Jeff and Marilyn Goodin as he recovers from recent surgery and she continues to recover from a stroke. Remember Will and Edith Smith, in addition to Kimberley Cole's mother. Remember Price Brock, Dub Pritchett, Donna King, Ronny Mason, John Landry, Monroe Nevels and James Shields wife, also Gordon Dowell's wife Dorothy.

Others: Kirby Leeson, Joan, wife of George Knight

Guests

Guest.....	Member
Grady Jolly and Caleb Jolly	David Jolly
Chuck Vandewell	Randy Roewe

Program

Lt. Governor Melvin Martin introduced YMCA President/CEO, David Hendricks as the speaker on November 4th. David spoke to our club about the YMCA. The YMCA mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all. Their promise is TO STRENGTHEN THE FOUNDATIONS OF COMMUNITY. David spoke about the history of the Y, their new marketing strategy (including new logo), their outreach for children and teens as well as their workout facilities. One particular area of interest from members was the Phoenix Project which started after years of working with at-risk youth, and helps at-risk youth build a community garden while connecting with mentors. The YMCA relies on donations to bridge their gap in funding between membership dues and other services.

Christine thanked David for coming and shared we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in his honor to help fund

scholarships for high school students.

We Are Kiwanians! Go Out and Make A Difference Today!

Join us in: "Strengthening our Future, Fun Fellowship and Service"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Box Tops for Education Challenge

Don't forget about the Key Club challenge! We have collected 352 Box Tops for Education already and we can do more! You will find box tops on all types of products such as food cans, Kleenex, cereal and the box tops are like money for kids! Collected box tops will be given to Reagan Elementary to be used to purchase needed items for the school. Bring your box tops and join in this easy and fun project that benefits children. You can help make a difference!

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Please bring any military memorabilia. We will have a table set up for us to view/discuss your items.

Volunteer Opportunity

Volunteer opportunity with City Sidewalks. The downtown parade will be held on Tuesday December 1, 2015. Please sign up at club and let member Tammi Faught know you plan to be there. Don't forget to wear your Kiwanis shirt!

A Message from Kiwanis International

We have some exciting news to share! Kiwanis International Foundation has received the highest ranking from Charity Navigator, the United States' premier charity evaluator.



Charity Navigator ranks nonprofit organizations on financial health, commitment to accountability and transparency. Kiwanis International Foundation's coveted 4-star rating puts it in a very select group of high-performing charities. Of the thousands of nonprofits Charity Navigator evaluates, only one out of four earns 4 stars—a rating that demands rigor, responsibility and commitment to openness.

We couldn't have received this top rating without you. Your trust and support mean so much to us and to the children we serve. Your support means we can fund playgrounds, reading projects and youth camps, all to provide a better world for children to thrive and grow.

Perfect Attendance

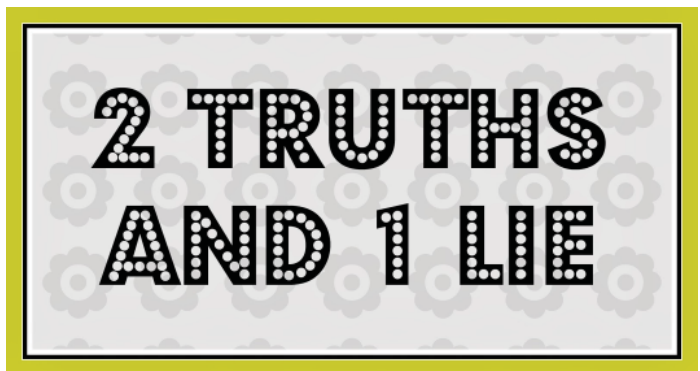


OCTOBER 2015:

Russel Berry, Zach Briley, Rob Chastain, Lora Lynn Christensen, Roy Cloud, Christine Curtis-Carr, Noe Espinoza, James Floyd, Sarah Franz, LaQuiera Gantt, Keith Garner, Gayla Gill, John Hewitt, Stephanie Hodge, William Hoogstra, Mark Hoover, David Jones, Richard Kincaid, Donna King, Charles Kirkpatrick, Ashley Larry, Cynthia Laster, Carl Lockett, Mary Ann Martin, Donald McDonald, Nancy Miller, Al Morotini, Gary Poynor, Donald Scargall, William A. Smith, Becky Spargo, Earl Williams, Randy Williams, Amanda Wiskow, Mark Young and Twyla Young.

Calendar

- November 25 – Meeting Cancelled (Thanksgiving)
- December 1 – Club Satellite NO MEETING – Members will help with the Boys & Girls Club Float for City Sidewalks
- December 3 – Board Meeting, 12:00 Noon Bogie's Sandwich Shop
- December 8 – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill (note time change)
- December 23 – Meeting Cancelled (Christmas)
- December 30 – Meeting Cancelled (New Years)
- June 25 – 28, 2016 Kiwanis International Convention – Toronto, Ontario, Canada
- August 11-14, 2016 Tx-Ok Kiwanis District Convention, Allen, TX



KIWANIAN: DON SCARGALL

Can you guess the lie? Come to the meeting on November 11th to find out the answer.

1. I sang the National Anthem at a Ranger's Baseball Game.
2. I am not a born Texan.
3. I have visited Ukraine.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

It was another hot, breezeless Sunday morning in Hope, New Mexico, as I sat with my grandparents and Aunt Shirley in the auditorium of that little church building. As sweat dripped down my great Uncle Tom's face, he asked us the question of "what does the communion table mean to you?" The pat answers were offered and he shook his head in affirmation when we heard my Aunt Shirley mumble something. My great uncle asked her to repeat herself and she blushed, and shyly spoke her answer again.

"Communion means I'm normal." A powerful statement that changed my perception of communion forever. You see, my Aunt Shirley had Downs Syndrome. When she came to the table her world of being different

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disappeared at the table; all were welcomed, all were the same, all gave thanks for the sacrifice that brought salvation regardless of what they looked like, what their mental capacity was, or their social position. Everyone fits into one category; redeemed. It was one of the most insightful moments of my life in a church setting brought to me not by a great theologian, but by one of our Father's most unlikely instruments, my Aunt Shirley.

May we always be thankful for the lessons our Father teaches us in the most unlikely places! Make me understand your ways, O Lord! Teach me your paths! Guide me into your truth and teach me. For you are the God who delivers me on you I rely all day long. Psalms 25:4-5

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 53.5%
Contributions: \$38,139.00
Zeller Fellows: 16
Pledged Zellers: 8
Model Club Members: 3
Number of lives saved: 21,188 @ \$1.80 per shot series

Eliminate News!

- District Fundraising Leaders
(Based on total funds increased
between: 7/16/15 and 10/16/15)
1. Texas-Oklahoma - US\$2,512,541
 2. Georgia - US\$1,842,616
 3. Illinois-Eastern Iowa - US\$1,416,634
 4. Michigan - US\$1,392,353
 5. Nebraska-Iowa - US\$1,021,630

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