

## KEITH ROBERTSON: HOW TO "WIN" AT THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, December 9th



Keith Roberson is a lifelong West Texan having been born and raised in Lubbock. In 1999, he received his B.B.A. from Texas Tech. He and his wife, Megan, of 10 yrs., have 2 boys and 2 girls. In 2004, he began his service on the pastoral staff at Beltway Park Church and joined the Senior Leadership Team in 2009. In 2013, Keith became the Campus Pastor to the Beltway Park's North Campus which officially launched in March 2015. In August of this year, Keith was asked to serve as an Elder for Beltway Park. Keith was recently named by the Abilene Chamber of Commerce as one of Abilene's "20 Under 40 Emerging Business Leaders".

This week, Keith will be sharing how to "win" at the Christmas season. So often, the holidays are an exhausting time with all the running around and trying to keep up with the pace and pressures of making Christmas happen. But there is a way to win over this next month and experience the joy and life that this season should bring.



Glyn Hammons gave a report on the activities of the See by Three Committee.



Danny Sims presented our program.



Good friends, good food, and good fellowship!

# KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

## Weekly Meeting

December 2nd, 2015

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting .....	Christine Curtis-Carr
Prayer .....	David Jones
Music .....	Don Scargall
Piano .....	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge.....	John Landry
Guests .....	Tammi Faught
Cup Money .....	\$35.05
Brag Money .....	\$2.00 (Dennis Laster)

### In our prayers

Remember David Bacon and family. David's mother, Betty Bacon passed away this past week. 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, John Landry, Monroe Nevels, Royce Manning and James Shields wife, also Gordon Dowell's wife Dorothy.

Others: Kirby Leeson, Joan, wife of George Knight

### Guests

Guest.....Member  
Caleb Jolly ..... David Jolly  
George Woodfin and Roma Howard from Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene

### Program

Jamie Breed introduced, Danny Sims, Executive Director for Global Samaritan Resources as the speaker on December 2nd. Danny shared appreciation for founder, Ed Enzor, who passed away unexpectedly this week, David Catalina, Dr. John Estes and our fellow Kiwanian Gordon Dowell, for their roles in creating Global Samaritan as we know it today. The mission of Global Samaritan is to help people to help people. The simple idea is to take surplus goods and pass them on to people in need. Sometimes that might be helping people around the corner or around the world. Global Samaritan's warehouse is sometimes used for the organization's mission directly and sometimes it is used for the mission of other volunteer organizations who need a location to work from.

Global Samaritan supports a water project by making water safe to drink. They use a portable water purifier that costs about \$3,000.00. Today

that system provides 55 gallons of water an hour of pure water that otherwise would be unsafe to drink. It uses common table salt. A safe straw can also be used, a proven water purification technology that works! He explained the system can be used in local communities whose municipal system fails as a solution to filtering water for safe usage.

In addition to water, fortified, dehydrated food distribution, is an important effort. The food can be sent to people in need all over the world. You won't hear about the many efforts in the news however, the goal is not to be famous but to make a difference, to simply be obedient to the opportunities presented and if a door opens, in the name of God, go through it. Disaster services and responses are provided wherever needed.

Global Samaritan is committed to honoring God, prayer, and having personal relationships with our partners in Abilene and around the world.

Danny shared personal experiences and communicated, we cannot solve all the world's problems or make all the world's troubles go away but we can change one person's world. We can take simple action in the face of trouble. For example, that simple straw will provide one person pure water for 2 years. We can make a difference.

Christine thanked Danny for the dynamic and informative program 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

### Gumball News from Earl Williams!

Earl presented checks for October and November this week.

October monies were in the amount of \$376.44 and November \$336.36 bringing the Grand Total to \$267,460.74! Amazing!

### See By Three

Glyn Hammons reported on the See By Three efforts which recently concluded. There are many hard workers who deserve a big THANK YOU for their work this year. We did eye screenings on a total of 117 children at 5 locations. A total of 92 passed the tests, 5 were referred for further testing and 20 will

need to be rescreened next year because they were not mature enough for an accurate test.

A total of 12 volunteers helped with the screenings and most worked multiple times to cover the 25 volunteer slots needed. As you can see from these numbers this is a huge effort. Everyone who worked any of the 78 hours is greatly appreciated.

We owe a special thanks to our team leaders Lora Lynn Christensen and Dianne Martin (a non-Kiwanian) and all the volunteers for their dedication to the See by Three program. The volunteers included one who belongs to another Kiwanis club.

This is the first year in the last several years that the number of children screened has not decreased even with one of the day care centers having to cancel their scheduled screening.

Glyn thanked the entire club for the continued support for this program.

### Box Tops for Education Challenge

Don't forget about the Key Club challenge! 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!

### 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!

### Volunteer Opportunity With Light Up a Life

Let Don Paige know if you can participate.

Volunteers are needed for 2 hour shifts through December 23rd.

### Calendar

- December 7 – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill (note day and time change)
- December 23 – Meeting Cancelled (Christmas)
- December 30 – Meeting Cancelled (New Year's)
- January 7, 2016 – Board Meeting, 12:00 Noon Bogie's Sandwich Shop
- April 30, 2016 – PANCAKE DAY
- June 25 – 28, 2016 Kiwanis International Convention – Toronto, Ontario, Canada
- August 11-14, 2016 Tx-Ok Kiwanis District Convention, Allen, TX



Kiwanian: Tim Adcock

Can you guess the lie? Come to the December 9th meeting to find out!

1. I threw up in a Kiwanis meeting once.
2. I play piano and organ for a church.
3. I have a cousin who used to be a Dallas Cowboy Cheerleader.

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## SPIRITUAL AIMS

*By Stephanie Hodge*

There is a time for everything

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 New International Version (NIV)

*A Time for Everything*

*3 There is a time for everything,  
and a season for every activity under the*

*heavens:*

*2 a time to be born and a time to die,  
a time to plant and a time to uproot,*

*3 a time to kill and a time to heal,  
a time to tear down and a time to build,*

*4 a time to weep and a time to laugh,  
a time to mourn and a time to dance,*

*5 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather  
them,*

*a time to embrace and a time to refrain from  
embracing,*

*6 a time to search and a time to give up,  
a time to keep and a time to throw away,*

*7 a time to tear and a time to mend,  
a time to be silent and a time to speak,*

*8 a time to love and a time to hate,  
a time for war and a time for peace.*

As the holidays near many people will find themselves caught in the on going hassle and bustle of the season, stressing over presents, worrying about Christmas meals and ultimately just having so much events crammed into one month. But during this season I ask that on a daily basis everyone take TIME out your day TO PRAY and THANK God for his blessings and to remember that even though traditions have been made in honor of Christmas, that Jesus is and will forever be the Real reason for this season. God Bless!

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## Young Audiences Arts for Learning

Abilene Cultural Affairs Council

November 2, 2015

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene  
Boys and Girls Committee  
Charles Ellis, Chair  
473 Cypress St., Suite 107  
Abilene, TX 79601

Dear Charles, Members of the Boys and Girls Committee, and Kiwanians,

On behalf of the Young Audiences board, staff, and the Drama Residency students at Bowie Elementary, we send our heartfelt thanks for the grant to support our program. Your contribution is most generous, and the money will be put to use enhancing the lives of children by furthering our mission of providing quality arts-in-education programs to the children of Abilene.

We value your gift of \$500.00 and all that you do for our community and the many organizations that you support. We applaud your vision for our children's future and your interest in supporting their potential through experiencing the arts. Thank you very much.



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Model Club Goal: \$71,250  
Percent of Goal Met: 55.3%  
Contributions: \$39,389.00  
Zeller Fellows: 17  
Pledged Zellers: 9  
Model Club Members: 3  
Number of lives saved: 21,883 @ \$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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