

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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DR. LARRY MCGRAW: LOGSDON SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, January 6th



To start off 2016 the Program Committee thought we needed a little cheering up. Dr. Larry McGraw will present the program. He is a singer of funny songs, an emcee with unparalleled humor, a great preacher, and a good-hearted, patient man. If you want to know what he will do for us, you just have to bring a guest and come!

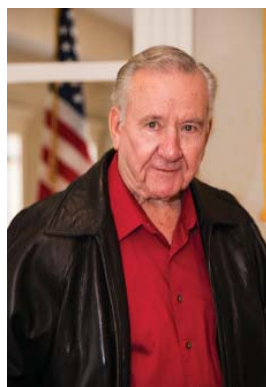
Dr. Larry McGraw, professor of Bible and associate dean of the Logsdon School of Theology, is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Oklahoma, where he earned the Bachelor of Arts degree in religion. He completed his graduate studies at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, receiving the Master of Divinity and the Ph.D.

in New Testament with minors in Old Testament and biblical backgrounds.

Along with being an instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor in Logsdon, he has also previously served as director of academic services at HSU. In connection with his administrative and academic responsibilities, he also serves the university as the public address announcer at home football, basketball, and volleyball games. He is a member of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion in which he serves on the executive board. As a deacon, he also preaches and teaches at numerous churches throughout the state.



Elizabeth Ducey Moss presented a beautiful program of Christmas music.



Don Scargall led us in singing Christmas songs.



Christine and Lora Lynn played a Carol of the Bells piano duet.



Jack Harkins read a Cowboy Prayer.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting

December 16th, 2015

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting Christine Curtis-Carr
Prayer Jack Harkins
Music Don Scargall
Piano Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge Al Morotini
Guests Nancy Miller
Cup Money \$40.74
Brag Money \$14.00 (Rob Chastain)

In our prayers

David Jones had knee replacement surgery over the holidays. Remember David in prayer as he recuperates from the procedure.

Monroe Nevels has been diagnosed with prostate cancer and is beginning radiation treatment. Remember him in your prayers.

Annette Collins resigned earlier in the year as she was dealing with kidney cancer. She had a heart attack recently. Remember Annette in prayer.

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, Royce Manning and James Shields wife, also Gordon Dowell's wife Dorothy.

Others: Kirby Leeson, Joan, wife of George Knight

Guests

Guest Member
Royce and Kathy Curtis Christine Curtis-Carr
Laretta Blackburn Curtis Blackburn
Mindy Rios Joe Kimble
Deanne Kentz Larry Kentz
Joan Batson David Batson
James Nix Clinton Nix

Program

Christine Curtis-Carr held a fun game sharing all manner of fun gifts from poinsettias to word search games to those lucky ticket holders. Congratulations to the winners and especially to Russell Berry who won a free meal for his next Kiwanis meeting.

Amanda Wiskow shared a great Christmas story that involved all Kiwanians who were present for the December 16th meeting, titled "The Night Right Before Christmas"! You missed a great time if you were not present!

Lora Lynn Christenson introduced and accompanied Elizabeth Ducey Moss who presented wonderful Christmas music as the program on the 16th.

A couple of those beautiful numbers were songs composed by John Jacob Niles, an American composer from Kentucky. "I Wonder As I Wonder" and "Jesus, Jesus Rest your Head" were lovely. "O Holy Night", a familiar song to most of us, was another blessing. The program was certainly a delight and wonderful way to celebrate the Christmas season. Elizabeth closed with "Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas".

Christine thanked Elizabeth for the wonderful program and shared we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in her 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

Club Satellite

Club Satellite meets this Tuesday night January 5th at the Martinez Boys/Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St at 6pm.

Our speaker for the month will be Becky Spargo who is the Take Shape for Life. She is a health coach. Come support your fellow Kiwanian! Hope to see you there.

Division Council Meeting Date Change for January

The meeting will be held on Monday January 11th instead of January 4th. All Kiwanians are encouraged to attend. Meetings begin at 6:00 pm at Al's Mesquite Grill on Buffalo Gap Road. If you would like to eat, come early and join us in the designated meeting room.

Boy Scout Troop 206 Invitation

Bobbie Wolfe announced that the Boy Scout Troop which we have sponsored since 1943 will have a special demonstration for Kiwanians from 7:00 pm to 8:00pm on Tuesday January 12th at the McGinty Scout Hut (next to Hendrick Home at 2318 Jackson Street). We hope many of you will make plans to attend this special event. As many of you will recall, the "hut" is named in honor of long time Kiwanian, Henry McGinty who certainly had a love for the Boy

Scouts of America and was instrumental in securing the location for Troop 206 so many years ago.

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!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to LaQuiera Gantt who was recently recognized as one of 20 upcoming leaders under the age of 40 for Abilene!

It was so good to see Lt. Governor Melvin Martin back with us at the December 16th club meeting! Melvin expressed appreciation for the prayers and thanked Will Smith for stepping up when Melvin could not. He also read a letter from Sergeant Ismael Jaimes expressing appreciation for presenting him with the 9th annual Melvin Martin 1st Responder award. From Ismael: "It was such a great and unexpected honor. It is so gratifying to know that

my hard work and efforts have been noticed and appreciated. I appreciate you for allowing my family to attend and have lunch with me during this very special occasion. To be recognized by Chief Melvin Martin and the Abilene Kiwanis Club is a highlight I will remember over and over with such gratitude. On behalf of my family and I; I would like to thank all for honoring me with the 1st Responder award."

Calendar

- January 5, 2016 – Club Satellite meeting 6 pm at Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St
- January 7, 2016 – Board Meeting, 12:00 Noon Bogie's Sandwich Shop
- January 11, 2016 – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill (note day and time change)
- January 12, 2016 – Boy Scout Troop 206 Program at McGinty Scout Hut, 2318 Jackson Street, 7:00pm
- 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

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By LaQuiera Gantt

Out with the OLD...In with the NEW!

For 2016,

Release anything that has been hOLDing you back,
Reject the words of anyone who tOLD you your
future isn't bright, and Revive your hope in love
again if your heart was beginning to go cOLD.

Go into the NEW year with NEWfound faith,
and a reNEWed mind, and pursue the destiny deep
down you always kNEW God has in store for you!

@MsKristyButler

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



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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