

# KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, July 13th



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# KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

## Weekly Meeting

### July 6th, 2016

#### Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting ..... Christine Curtis-Carr  
Prayer ..... Rodney Weeks  
Music ..... Randy Williams  
Piano ..... Lora Lynn Christensen  
Pledge ..... Margaret Hoogstra  
Guests ..... Mark Hoover  
Cup Money ..... \$35.40

### In our prayers

Remember Carl Lockett, Keith Garner and Monroe Nevels, Kimberley Cole's mother, Donna King, and James Shields' wife. Also remember Gordon Dowell and wife Dorothy, Others: Joan, wife of George Knight and Annette Collins, Jeff Goodin, and Kirby Leeson

Remember the families and fellow officers of the Dallas Police Officers who lost their lives this past week.

Pray for our nation and those leading our country.

### Guests

Guest ..... Member  
Cheri Drysdale ..... Faye Dodson  
Allison Cariker ..... Kelly Jones  
Yelithza Morales ..... Kiwanis Club of Hereford  
Bobbie Bieberly, Gene Liner, Gail and Gary Jay –  
Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene

### Program

Charles Kirkpatrick introduced Rob Westman as the speaker on July 6th. Rob, television producer for AISD produced the documentary film "George Washington: Providence" and spoke to the club about the project. Charles provided a little background on how the documentary came about. Rob's research for a children's book led to the documentary which was presented at the paramount in May, then again during this past week. In fact, Rob gave away tickets for the presentations held on July 6th and 7th. Rob shared how the project began and many interesting facts about George Washington. He read a book by Peter Lillback, President of Westminster Theological Seminary that sparked his interest. We learned that 745 schools, 26 mountains and 145 towns or cities were named after George Washington, yet we know very little about him. He called George Washington's Mount Vernon and connected with Research Historian, Mary Thompson who was incredibly helpful. We learned much about George Washington's personal life including that he was a great athlete. His

father passed away when George was 11 years old. George's older brother, age 14, became his mentor. President Washington became a surveyor at age 16 and was one of the largest land owners at the time. His brother passed away from tuberculosis leaving George to take over his role as a soldier. In January, 1759 George married Martha having met with her only 3 times. George had a love for children and not only embraced the 2 young boys Martha brought to their marriage, but sponsored 8 children in baptism. He provided Bibles for children from his parish with their names stenciled on the inside cover of the Bibles. Over and over again, Rob communicated stories of providence related to George Washington's life. The documentary is one hour and twenty minutes in length and certainly a wonderful presentation.

President Christine Curtis-Carr thanked Rob for the program and communicated we would make a donation to our foundation in his honor which provides 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

### LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES

Movie night was GREAT fun on Friday July 8th. At least 36 Kiwanians and guests were present for this fun time of fellowship. A big thanks to Gayla Gill for organizing this event!

### Mark Your Calendar for July 27th

Kiwanis Club of Abilene Open House! David Jones communicated the new member campaign is scheduled for July 1st through July 27th. For any new member brought in during the campaign dates, the new member induction fee of \$35.00 will be waived. AND for any club member who brings a potential member on the 27th, the club will pay the cost of that guest meal. (One guest meal per club member). This will be an exciting meeting and will include New Member Orientation.

### Volunteers Needed

The State 4-H Horse Show is just around the corner, July 24th through July 30th and volunteers are needed. Call 325-672-6048 or visit <http://taylor.agrilife.org> for more details and to volunteer.

## Ramp Committee Report

Kelly Jones communicated that a United Methodist church youth mission group team will be working in Abilene next week to build 40 wheelchair ramps! This project should take care of everyone currently on the list for a ramp. He also communicated grant funds were received recently making this huge effort possible. Thanks to each member serving on the invaluable committee. Your efforts make a tremendous difference in the lives of others!

## Training

Tx-Ok Division 12, 22 and 35 Club Leadership Training! New Officers and Board (And anyone else interesting in learning more about Kiwanis is encouraged to attend I-Lead! Mark your calendars for Club Leadership Training "I-Lead to be held on July 30th at Southgate Church of Christ, 528 Country Club Road, San Angelo, Tx. This will be a full day of preparation for Division and Club Leadership.

## Tx-Ok Kiwanis District Convention

Make plans to attend the Tx-Ok Kiwanis District Convention, August 12-14, 2016 in Allen, Texas. Registration is open and it is not too early to book a room. Register online at <http://conventions.txokkiwanis.org/>. It would be great to have a big group from Abilene attend. The board voted to contribute up to \$350.00 for each club member who attends the convention to help cover the cost of the convention. Not only will it be a wonderful way to connect with fellow Kiwanians but it will provide insight as we prepare to host the convention in 2017 and 2018. Information packets were made available at the June 8th meeting. Let Christine Curtis-Carr, Tim Adcock or Faye Dodson know if you plan to attend.

## Nominating Committee 2016

Jamie Breed, Chair; Mark Hoover, Randy Williams, Charles Kirkpatrick, Lora Lynn, Faye Dodson

The committee recommends the following board members and officers for 2016-2017. The club will vote on the nominations on Wednesday July 6th.

*(Board members Amanda Wiskow, Joe Kimble, and Julie Wagner will complete their second year on the board)*

## Calendar

- July 27th – Kiwanis Club of Abilene Special Program – Everything Kiwanis – Abilene Country Club – regular meeting time – Come, Bring Guest! This will also be New Member Orientation.
- August 1– Division 35 Council Meeting 6:30 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- August 2 – Club Satellite Meeting – 6:00 pm, Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St, Abilene
- August 4 – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St, Abilene
- August 12-14, 2016 Tx-Ok Kiwanis District Convention, Allen, TX

## KIWANIAN: Charles Ellis

Can you guess the lie? Come to the meeting on July 13th to find out the answer.

1. I have been questioned by the Secret Service about something I said about a former President.
2. I played 2 years of minor league baseball before college.
3. Chuck Norris has cooked me a steak dinner.

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## SPIRITUAL AIMS

*By Randy Williams*

In Matthew 25:29 it says, "Well done, you have been faithful in handling this small amount so now, I will give you many more responsibilities." There have been many times in my life where I felt I had a task before me that I thought I was ill prepared to do. "There's Shane over there and he's a real detail kind of guy," I would say. But Shane wasn't going to do this for me. I would have to do this myself. God would say to me, "Child, I have given you exactly what you need in order to do the work I have placed before you. You may not have as much as your friend, your neighbor, co-worker or maybe even your wife, but what is important is that you have me. And it is my joy to support and multiply your efforts. Not only are you fully supplied and beloved but no one else has been given your portion, your part. And no one else will feel as utterly fulfilled as you will when this unique work is done." You ever have those kind of conversations with the Father? He wants to assure you that you are never on your own and that, with His help, you are always up to the task. Remember: He delights in helping you accomplish stuff and when it is finished, just like the king and his faithful servants, we will celebrate together. You really want to "Change the World, Once Child and One Community at a Time"? When faced with what seems an overwhelming task, remember the words of Matthew 25:14-30, and say "Dear Jesus, help me to use the resources I have wisely, to your glory and not mine."



# Election Results!

You voted on July 6th and your new board for 2016-2017 is as follows:

<b>President</b>	Nancy Miller
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Christine Curtis-Carr
<b>President Elect</b>	Dennis Laster
<b>Secretary</b>	Faye Dodson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Tim Adcock
<b>Vice President</b>	Robert Pritz
<b>Vice President</b>	Gayla Gill

## **1 year board members**

Amanda Wiskow

Carl Lockett

Joe Kimble

Julie Wagner

## **2 year board members**

Larry Kentz

Al Morotini

Gary Poynor

Randy Roewe

And your Lt. Governor for 2016-2017 is Jamie Breed

Thank you to the nominating committee for their efforts this year and to the incoming leadership team.



# 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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### 2015-2016 OFFICERS

- Christine Curtis-Carr - President
- Jamie Breed- Immediate Past President
- John Snapp - President-Elect
- Guy Lucas - Vice President
- Cynthia Laster- Vice President
- Tim Adcock - Treasurer
- Faye Dodson - Secretary
- Kimberley Cole - Foundation Advisor

### 2015-2016 DIRECTORS

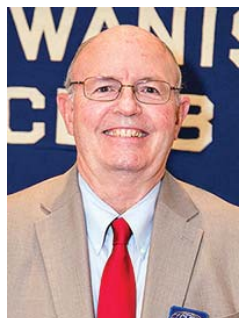
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|---------------|---------------|
| Two Year:     | One Year:     |
| Amanda Wiskow | Roy Dent      |
| Gayla Gill    | Charles Ellis |
| Joe Kimble    | Clinton Nix   |
| Julie Wagner  | Becky Spargo  |



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