

KIWANIGRAM

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LORA LYNN CHRISTENSEN: A DAY OF MUSIC ABILENE COUNTRY CLUB, NOON, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH



August 17 Kiwanis program will be piano students of Lora Lynn Christensen. Kam Beck, Ting-Han Cho and Solya Lowe. They will be playing pieces they played for the national guild auditions and Solya Will sing the piece that won her age category in Abilene Idol.



Bobbie Wolfe led the singing.



Christine looks on as Olivia reads about the program.



Lori Grumet presented the program.



Mark Hoover introduced the program.



Kathy Curtis was a guest of Amanda Martin.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting
August 10th, 2016
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting Christine Curtis-Carr
 PrayerCurtis Blackburn
 Music..... Bobbie Wolfe
 PianoCynthia Laster
 Pledge..... David Jolly
 Guests Larry Kentz
 Cup Money\$56.20
 Brag \$12.00 (John Snapp)

In our prayers

Jarrell Young emailed the following:
 Hello Friends and Family,

This is to let you know that I am now home from the hospital....In the event you were unaware, I was diagnosed with two malignant masses in my abdomen that resulted in surgery. The surgeon performed a bowel resection to remove the masses... He was unable to remove all the malignancy, so, I have chemotherapy or radiation in my future. I was in the hospital from July 12 until August 1, 2016.

Even though I am home, I am physically weak, but gaining strength daily...I lost 30 pounds of weight, so am working on gaining weight.

I am thankful for all the concern and prayers lifted up on my behalf....Believe me, prayer helps. Jarrell"

Remember Carl and Pat Lockett. Remember Keith Garner, Monroe Nevels, Kimberley Cole's mother, Donna King, and James Shields' wife. Rodney Weeks requested prayer for Sherri's sister who is seriously. Also remember Gordon Dowell and wife Dorothy, Others: Joan, wife of George Knight and Annette Collins, Jeff Goodin, and Kirby Leeson

Remember to pray for upcoming elections. Pray for our nation and those leading our country.

Guests

Guest.....Member
 Kathy CurtisAmanda Martin
 Olivia Martin.....Amanda Martin
 From Kiwanis Club of Greater Abilene: Bobbie Bieberly, Ruby Quane, and Gail

Program

Special Guest, 6 year old Olivia Martin (daughter of Amanda Martin and niece of President Christine-Curtis Carr) gave a testimonial as follows:

"I want to talk about my visits to the library. I like story time where I get to listen to books and sing



Olivia Martin was a guest of Amanda Martin.

songs. The second thing I love about the library is that I get to read books. Especially the Pinkalicious ones that can help me read."

Olivia was a great lead in to the program!

Mark Hoover introduced City Librarian, Lori Grumet, who spoke to the club 18 months ago to share her perspective of current program and services offered by the Abilene Public Library. Her topic on August 10th was an update on the new South Branch of the Abilene Public Library being located in the Mall of Abilene. Lori expressed her appreciation to Kiwanians for the donation in honor of Ricki Brown. She shared that Friends of the Library in conjunction with other donors such as the Kiwanis Club of Abilene, have raised 1.5 million in funds for the South Branch project. These dollars combined with other funds are being used to fund some very high tech equipment for the new facility. She presented a slide show outlining the progress of the project and communicated many of the wonderful features that will be included in the new facility. The branch will be open 7 days per week which includes 5 hours on Sunday afternoon. It was exciting to learn about the progress and the offerings that will be available in this new location. Currently the facility is on target to open in October, 2016. You can track the progress of the project on their website at www.abilene.tx.com/abl.

President Christine Curtis-Carr thanked Lori for the informative program and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in her honor which provides scholarships to high school seniors.

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU

Did you know that Charles Kirkpatrick is responsible for all those photos we see in the Kiwanigram, Abilene Reporter News and on our Kiwanis Facebook page? Great Job Charles and THANK YOU for a job well done!!

Meek Blood Center Blood Drive August/September

During the months of August and September the blood bank will donate .50cents for each donor who donates blood to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Abilene. This is a great opportunity for all of us to make a difference for others. If you can participate, let them know you are with the Kiwanis Club of Abilene.

Club Satellite Project

Members are collecting school supplies during the month of August and September. Items are donated to the Martinez Boys and Girls Club. All members are encouraged to participate. Bring your items to the regular club meeting. Contact Gayla Gill or any Club Satellite member for suggested items. School Supplies or money to purchase supplies are greatly appreciated. The service project for Club Satellite Members is a partnership with Community in Schools. Those Club Satellite members are meeting students at J.C. Penny's to help them shop for school clothing.

Calendar

- September 12th – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:30 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill, 4801 Buffalo Gap Road - Important Meeting –Note Date Change due to Labor Day Weekend.
- September 6th - Club Satellite Meeting, Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton Street
- September 1st – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Randy Williams

Spiritual Aims 41/2016 Have you noticed that despite all our modern conveniences, we always feel as busy as ever? We have computerized cash registers yet it takes nearly twice as long to go through the checkout stand as 40 yrs. ago. I thought all these modern conveniences were meant to make our lives easier. They do make our lives easier but the problem is that we fill the new leisure time with more stuff. We seem driven to stay busy and that need to stay busy often robs us of true relationship. This month we have been talking about the pursuit of relationship with our Heavenly Father. Why? Because it is in the nature of that relationship that we find "true meaning" in life. We know that our enemy, Satan, will use our busy life to distract us from that "true meaning". Deut. 11:18-19 says, "Fix these words of mine in your heart and mind; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your forehead. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Wow! Seems so simple, right? But believe me when I tell you, we are in a battle. A battle for our hearts, our minds, our time, and our relationships. The truth is, pursuing relationship with the Father is the sure path to how, what, when, and where He will direct your path. And as you pursue Him, "Let His teachings fall like rain and His words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on a tender plant" (Deut. 32:2). What a beautiful picture that scripture paints of being connected to our Heavenly Father. I have told you many times that God is always wanting to talk to you, so, you have to really, really work to block out the busyness, shut up, and listen.

I will end this week by praying Ephesians 3:16-19 over you and your families and I would ask that as you read this in the form of the prayer the Apostle Paul meant it to be. Change the words to make it first person so "you" is "me" and "your" to "my", etc. "I pray that out of His glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." And through His strength, you will "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a Time"!!!!!!

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
 Percent of Goal Met: 64%
 Contributions: \$45,639.00
 Zeller Fellows: 24
 Pledged Zellers: 5
 Model Club Members: 2
 Number of lives saved: 25,355 @ \$1.80 per shot series

Eliminate News!

Texas-Oklahoma - US\$2,687,318

T-O Goal \$5,000,000

Percent Paid..... 53.75%

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