

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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LET'S KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR!

ABILENE COUNTRY CLUB, NOON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH



Come celebrate the beginning of a new Kiwanis year as Past Governor (two times!) Nancy Miller once again takes up the mantle of local club president to lead our club for 2016-2017.

Kiwanis Club of Abilene member Jamie Breed also begins the new year as Lieutenant Governor. Ms. Breed will induct the incoming club officers.

President Miller will announce her plans for the new year.

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene is growing and that means even more volunteering and community service can be done.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

Weekly Meeting

September 28th, 2016

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Christine Curtis-Carr
Prayer	Bill Hoogstra
Music.....	Greg Fortson
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge.....	Mark Hoover
Guests:.....	David Jones
Cup Money	\$44.68

In our prayers

Remember Jarrell Young, Carl and Pat Lockett. Remember Keith Garner, Monroe Nevels, Kimberley Cole's mother, Donna King, and James Shields' wife. Remember Rodney Weeks sister-in-law in prayer. Also remember Gordon Dowell and wife Dorothy, Others: Joan, wife of George Knight and Annette Collins, Jeff Goodin, and Kirby Leeson

Pray for our Country especially as we consider candidates for the upcoming election.

Guests

Guest.....	Member
Sandy Leggett – Daughter of John Landry.....	Club
Mary Pritchett – Wife of Dub Pritchett.....	Club
Cliff Griffin	Club
Luann Chastain	Club
Tagen Reeves	Club
Sue Boswell.....	Club
Donna Kleman.....	Club
Esther Kissell.....	Club
Kena Jones	Gordon Dowell
Royce and Kathy Curtis	Christine Curtis-Carr
Angie Wiley.....	Christine Curtis-Carr
Hannah Holmes	Christine Curtis-Carr
Paige Sproles.....	Christine Curtis-Carr
Don and Cindy Hothan	Amanda Wiskow
Sam Pugh	Brandon Carr
Erin Durch	Faye Dodson
Gary Jay, Gail Jay and Ruby Quane from Greater Abilene	

Program

CELEBRATION TIME! President Christine Curtis-Carr led the Celebration Program on September 28th and did an outstanding job in recognizing so many fellow Kiwanians who made a difference in 2015-2016, A few of those presentations were:

2015-2016 Perfect Attendance # Years

Cynthia Laster	1	Ashley Larry	3
Dennis Laster	1	Gary Poynor	3
Mary Ann Martin	1	Amanda Wiskow	3
Al Morotini	1	Charles Kirkpatrick	5
John Snapp	1	Tim Adcock	6
Earl Williams	1	Lora Lynn Christensen	9
Christine Curtis-Carr	2	Richard Kincaid	9
LaQuiera Gantt	2	William Hoogstra	19
Gayla Gill	2	Donald McDonald	23
Becky Spargo	2	Nancy Miller	29
Mark Young	2	Kenneth Poynor	31
Twyla Young	2	Russell Berry	34
Jamie Breed	3	Keith Garner	35

Legion of Honor

Royce Manning, 25 years
 William "Bill" Hoogstra, 25 years
 Bobbie Lee Wolfe, 30 years
 Chris Carnohan, 30 years
 Jeff Goodin, 35 years
 Donald McDonald, 45 years
 Jerry Carter, 45 years

Christine honored Kiwanians John Landry, Edith Smith and Dub Pritchett who passed away during the year. Her heartfelt words about each of those we loved were very touching as she shared a little about their lives. She presented family members with a certificate and communicated we had made a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in honor of each deceased member.

Tim Adcock presented the Kiwanian of the Year award to Amanda Wiskow! He shared the award was first presented 50 years ago in 1966, and the 1st award was presented to H.L. Skinner. Today we have 20 current members who have received this honor.

The award goes to a member of this club who has demonstrated outstanding membership in terms of leadership, involvement, and attendance during this Kiwanis year. The most recent 5 winners were on the selection committee. They are Will Smith, Christine Curtis-Carr, Tim Adcock, Charles Kirkpatrick, and Mark Hoover. Amanda now joins others as the recipient of this prestigious award.

Amanda has attended the past two T/O District conventions. She has co-presented a workshop, given reports, assisted with events, and served as a delegate at a special called District convention.

She has been on our board the past two years, never missing a monthly board meeting.

Amanda designed and organized ordering of T-Shirts for our entire club. In addition, she served as the co-chair of our Pancake Silent Auction in 2015-

2016.

She is serving as our sponsor to AHS Key Club (which was formed just 2 years ago). This is a huge commitment involving a lot of weekends, attending Key club meetings, taking students to Key Club conventions and conferences. We all know how important our Key Club is. It takes special people to work with youth.

Amanda joined the Kiwanis Club of Abilene in 2013 as a Club Satellite member. She hit the ground running from day one, and has since migrated to become an Associate Member attending a lot of the Wednesday meetings. She still attends the Club Satellite meetings as they are a vital part of our club doing so much for our club, our community, and children.

She is a Kiwanis ambassador, and even wore her Kiwanis shirt around Europe this past summer, posting on Facebook to help gain support. How cool is that!

In closing Tim communicated "It is my privilege and honor to present the 2015-2016 Kiwanian of the Year award to AMANDA WISKOW!"

The Bailey Choate award honors a long-standing member of our club who goes above and beyond the call of duty and responsibility in serving the children and needy of our community. This year's honoree Keith Garner participates in almost every activity and volunteer opportunity we offer. He is loyal, friendly and someone we all know we can rely on to keep his word in all situations. He has been very active over the years in Boy Scouts, the Zoo Board and Meals on Wheels, dedicating hours of his time and talents every week to help the community. He is also a fantastic pancake flipper. He attended Texas A&M, graduated from West Point, served as an Army Ranger in the Special Forces, with three tours in Vietnam. He is a retired Lt. Colonel and worked as a Safety Engineer for Insurance Companies following retirement. He is also an avid hunter and fisherman. As Christine presented Keith the award she stated, "What I appreciate most about Keith is his integrity, humility and genuine compassion to help his fellow man." She then presented him with a plaque in appreciation for long-term service to the Abilene Community for 42 years of active membership in the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. As the Bailey Choate Honoree, she then presented him with a Walter Zeller Fellow Award, donated in his honor.

Christine closed by thanking Fellow Kiwanians for making 2015-2016 a wonderful year and closed with the following quote:

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."

~Elizabeth Andrew

CONGRATULATIONS CHRISTINE CURTIS-CARR FOR A JOB WELL DONE!

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Incentives

Project ELIMINATE Challenge: President Christine Curtis-Carr communicated that in 3 years the club has reached just shy of \$51,000.00 toward our model club goal of \$71,250.00 toward the International Project, Eliminate which eliminates maternal and neonatal tetanus from the planet. The board has authorized matching funds of \$250.00 toward a Zellar Fellowship award. The Zellar pledge requires \$1,250.00, thus a member would need to contribute \$1,000.00 to qualify for the \$250.00 matching funds. There are 2 conditions: 1) This offer will be valid until the club meets the pledge goal of \$71,250.00 OR 2) until July 31, 2017.

We are using prior fund service dollars to make this offer available to members. Contact Tim Adcock, Club Treasurer or any board member for additional information.

UPDATE – 1 New Zellar Fellow stepped up this week! Please consider joining in this effort.

Zeller Presentations

Mark Hoover had the honor of presenting two Zeller Fellowship awards on September 28th. The awards went to Lt. Governor Melvin Martin and Brandon Carr. As you recall, members who contribute \$1,250.00 toward the International Eliminate Project become a distinguished Zeller Fellow. With the presentations to Melvin and Brandon we now have 29 Zellers (And actually 30- read the Bailey Choate presentation below). This brings us to 72.8% of our club goal of \$71,250.00! Keep up the good work! We would like to see the club reach this goal by July 2017 and together we can make it happen!

Pancake Dollars

Gordon Dowell, Chairman of the International Committee presented Pancake Dollars to Esther Kissell in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Global Samaritan Resources – Project Iraq – the funds will assist refugees

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in Iraq by providing food. Funds will be used to help cover logistics costs to ship fortified rice meals, high protein soup mixes and ship the food directly to partners via the U.S. Air force humanitarian aid space available program. Esther communicated the money will provide 57,000 servings of dehydrated food and will result in feeding almost 60,000 people in Iraq.

Melvin Martin reminded everyone that Chaplain Donna Kleman selected Special Olympics to receive the \$1000.00 donation in honor of her selection as 1st Responder for 2015-2016. Luann Chastain and Special Olympian Tagen Reeves accepted the funds and both expressed appreciation to the club for their support.

And the Winner Is...

The winner of 1 month free dues for the month of October 2016 is NANCY MILLER! Thank you to all who participated in the drive toward signing up for automatic withdrawal for your monthly dues. Please contact Faye Dodson if you are interested in taking advantage of this payment option.

You Are Invited

The Melvin Martin Center for Children's Safety, 35th Anniversary Celebration on Monday October 10, 2016 from 4:00 to 6:00pm at the center, 2601 South 7th. A ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at 4:30pm. Thank you for supporting the vision and helping build safer communities since 1981.

Travels with Brian Floca

The National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature invites you to the opening of "Travels with Brian Floca", Friday October 14 at 11:45am at the NCCIL Gallery, 102 Cedar Street, Abilene TX 79601. Call 325-673-4586 to RSVP or reserve tickets online at info@nccil.org by October 10th. Cost is \$15.00 per person/\$100 per table of 8

Opportunities to Serve

2017 Tx-Ok District Convention Strategic Planning Meetings are scheduled for the last Tuesday of each month. There is lots of opportunity for all Kiwanians to help with this important event and Kiwanians interested in helping plan for the upcoming conventions are encouraged to attend the next meeting, October 25th, at 7:30am at the Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville.

Abilene Business Mercado is coming up on October 8 from 9:00 to 3:00 at the Abilene Civic Center and volunteers are needed. Volunteers get a free t-shirt

and a meal. Contact Becky Spargo to get involved.

Club Satellite

Club Satellite will be collecting Walmart-like shopping bags as a service project that will be made into sleeping mats for homeless veterans. These mats are placed on the ground to keep their bedding dry.

Reagan Elementary

We can began this year's reading program next week. We need more readers, if you know of anyone who would like to help please let contact John Ruiz at 325-665-9963.

Calendar

- October 6th – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St, Abilene
- October 6th – Division 35 Council Meeting – 6:00pm Natural Food Center, 2534 S 7th St, Abilene, TX 79605, call 325-668-8504 to place food order.
- October 25 – District Convention 2017 Planning meeting – 7:30am, The Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville, Abilene



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



Zeller Award - Melvin Martin



Zeller Award - Brandon Carr



Edith Smith's widower, William Smith.



Dub Pritchitt's widow, Mary Pritchett.



John Landry's daughter Sandy Leggett.



Bailey G. Choate Award - Keith Garner



Kiwanian of the Year - Amanda Wiskow



Luann Chastain of Special Olympics.



Donald McDonald and Jerry Carter honored for 45 Years in Kiwanis.



Vice Presidents presenting the club's gift to Christine.



Esther Kissell of Global Smaritan.



Last week I was in attendance at Prayer at the Pole at Mann Middle School. I must say that not only did an amazing number of children show up, but many of them also spoke up and said a prayer as well. It was definitely very good to hear. After prayer at the pole with those wonderful kids, it got me to thinking how good it would be to have prayer back in our schools and not just on a scheduled day. I have found when I start my day off with prayer and make it the basis of my day, doors open and questions get answered. Although prayer in school is ruled out by the Supreme Court, I challenge all of you to encourage any student that you encounter to pray in a secret place and make it part of their daily routine. Also include classmates, peers, teachers, coaches and any other professional to join as well. Because:

“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”
-Matthew 18:20



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ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
 Percent of Goal Met: 74.6%
 Contributions: \$53,136.00
 Zeller Fellows: 30
 Pledged Zellers: 2
 Model Club Members: 2
 Number of lives saved: 29,520 @ \$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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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

2016-2017 OFFICERS

Nancy Miller – President
 Christine Curtis-Carr – Immediate Past President
 Dennis Laster – President Elect
 Gayla Gill – Vice President
 Robert Pritz – Vice President
 Tim Adcock – Treasurer
 Faye Dodson – Secretary
 Kimberley Cole – Foundation Advisor

2016-2017 DIRECTORS

Two Year:	One Year:
Larry Kentz	Joe Kimble
Al Morotini	Carl Lockett
Gary Poynor	Julie Wagner
Randy Roewe	Amanda Wiskow




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Authorization Agreement for Direct Deposit/Payment

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