

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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TERRY JOHNSON: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS
ABILENE COUNTRY CLUB, NOON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH



Terry Johnson, Executive Director for Communities In Schools of the Big Country, will present our program this week. The mission of Communities in Schools is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. We will hear about the services they provide to middle school and high school students in the school districts of Abilene, Wylie, and Snyder.

Terry has been a nonprofit leader and social entrepreneur since 2004 by leading various asset-building initiatives throughout the region. He is also responsible for creating Shop4Next.com, a website that lets people win prizes from local businesses in support of Communities In Schools. A graduate of Abilene Christian University (B.A. in Youth & Family Ministry and M.A. in Organizational Development), Terry is married to CaSaundra Johnson and they have three children.



Chris Carnohan was awarded the 30 year Legion of Merit Award.



Chris Halifax, Reagan Elementary Principal, was presented \$1000 by Nancy Miller.



Guy Lucas and Cynthia Laster presented Brittany Wade and Candy Reagan, of CPS with \$1000.



Guy Lucas and Cynthia Laster presented Kelly Jones with \$795.72 for the Texas Ramp Project.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
Weekly Meeting
October 5th, 2016
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting Christine Curtis-Carr
 Prayer Blue Bodenhamer
 Music.....Don Scargall
 PianoLora Lynn Christensen
 Pledge.....Cynthia Laster
 GuestsDennis Laster
 Cup Money\$36.37
 Brag Money\$13.00 Bill Hoogstra

In our prayers

Prayer Warriors needed. Please keep Vicky McEwin, 39 year old daughter of our Trustee, Mark Crouch, in your prayers. Vicky has been hospitalized since June 30, 2016 and was recently air flighted back to a Houston Hospital where she remains in critical condition. We request that you share this with all of your Kiwanis Club members and we thank you.

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 who is now in Hospice Care. 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
 Chris Halifax- Reagan ElementaryClub Guest
 Michael Cole.....Randy Roewe
 Annette Collins.....Faye Dodson
 Nancy Brock.....Price Brock
 Candy Reagan and Brittany Wade - Child Protective Services – Club Guests

Program

New Officers Inducted

President Christine Curtis-Carr turned the program over to Lt. Governor Jamie Breed who thanked Christine and those stepping down from the board for a great year. She then inducted officers and board members for the 2016-2017 Kiwanis Year.

Officer and Board Members concluding their year on the board were:

Vice President's Cynthia Laster and Guy Lucas

Board Members completing 2 years of service were: Roy Dent, Charles Ellis, Clinton Nix, and Becky



Board Members: Joe Kimble, Carl Lockett, Al Morotini, Randy Roewe, Larry Kentz

Spargo

Also rotating off the Board was Lt. Governor Jamie Breed who completed her year as Immediate Past President.

New officers inducted for 2016-2017 were:

President Nancy Miller

Immediate Past President - Christine Curtis-Carr

President Elect - Dennis Laster

Vice President's - Robert Pritz and Gayla Gill

Treasurer Tim Adcock and Secretary Faye Dodson

1 Year Board Members - Joe Kimble, Carl Lockett, Julie Wagner and Amanda Wiskow

2 year Board Members - Larry Kentz, Al Morotini, Gary Poynor and Randy Roewe

Foundation Advisor – Kimberley Cole

President Nancy Miller shared her vision for 2016-2017. To all of us who know Nancy, we are already aware of the incredible journey she has traveled as a Kiwanian, having served as President in 1994, Lt. Governor and Governor of the Texas Oklahoma District two different times and holding the honor of first female member of the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. Nancy stated that Lt. Governor Jamie Breed reminded us during her year as president to Love It Share It Live It. Immediate Past President, Christine Curtis-Carr encouraged Kiwanians to utilize the I-Plan, to

Inspire and to Connect, to have an

Impact and to make our

Image visible in the Community. In addition, we want to

Invest, not only in the club by growing membership but in the community so that we can make a difference. If we have more members, we will have more money and more service.

The Texas-Oklahoma Governor, John Sheridan will be in this area on January 21st, 2017. Plans for his visit are pending, but we want a big turn out when he comes. Let's make certain he knows how excited we

are about this year and about the two back to back conventions that will be held in Abilene. Governor Sheridan shared at least two goals for clubs in the Texas – Oklahoma District. Nancy would like to see this club meet those goals as well:

- Net growth of one member in the district for 2016-2017 (sounds easy, but if clubs close, we lose members and even if we add members, that loss impacts the district. The club gained 5 new members in 2015-2016. Nancy would like to see at least 5 new members in 2016-2017.
- Add a Signature Project – A signature project is one that is important for the future of Kiwanis. It will elevate the awareness of Kiwanis in the community. It will engage current members and remind them why they joined. It will provide valuable and needed service to the community. It will maximize community resources. It can increase membership when the community sees the involvement of Kiwanis. The goal of this signature project is that if it doesn't happen year round, it should at least happen annually. If you have ideas please let Nancy, Cynthia Laster or Randy Roewe know about it.

The next two years will be extremely busy for this club. This will be another first for the Texas-Oklahoma District as Abilene hosts the convention in 2017 and 2018. We are about children and we are working on ideas to bring families back to the convention. It will take all of us. Let Christine Curtis-Carr know if you have ideas for the convention. We need everyone's help for this to be successful.

In conclusion, Nancy shared her slogan for the year:

Inviting, Informing, and Involving.

Invite potential members. Inform them of who we are and what we do. Involve them in making a difference for the community with us!

So Kiwanians - Let's get busy Inviting, Informing and Involving in 2016-2017!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Incentives

Project ELIMINATE Challenge: In just 3 years the club has reached just shy of \$51,000.00 toward our model club goal of \$71,250.00 for 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.

Please consider joining in this effort.

Safety City

You are cordially invited to attend the 35th Anniversary of the Melvin Martin Center for Child Safety (Safety

City) on Monday, October 10, 2016 from 4 to 6 PM. The Chamber of Commerce Red Coats will hold a ribbon cutting at 4:30 PM. Please join us in this FUN celebration which honors our Past Lt. Governor and friend. Refreshments will be served, along with a K-9 demonstration, bounce house, facility tours, and other fun activities for kiddos.

Our Kiwanis Clubs have supported Safety City and its endeavors for many years. Please join us on Monday. Safety City-Rose Park is located in the 2500 block of South 7th St, across the street from the Natural Food Center.

NCCIL

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.

Pancake Dollars

Nancy Miller, Chairman of the Young Children Priority One Committee for 2015-2016 presented Pancake Dollars in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Chris Halifax, principal at Reagan Elementary on October 5th. The funds will be used to help purchase a much needed Math tool and a Level D Reading Program for kindergarten students. Chris thanked the club for not only the money but for the continued support to Reagan students. She expressed appreciation to those who help with the BUG's and Reading at Reagan programs stating the positive impact of both programs was magnificent. Chris also communicated the Box Tops Kiwanians collect for the school go specifically to the P E program at Reagan.

2015-2016 CUP Money Distribution

Vice President's Cynthia Laster and Guy Lucas had the awesome honor of presenting Cup money to two groups on October 5th. As is tradition, each year, the Vice Presidents have the privilege of distributing cup money collected during the weekly meetings to worthy non-profit organizations of their choice. This year, Cynthia and Guy selected Taylor County Child Protective Services and the Texas Ramp Project.

\$1,000.00 was presented to Taylor County Child Protective Services. The funds were accepted by Brittany Wade and Candy Reagan who communicated the money would be used to help furnish the Blue Bonnet Room at the CPS building.

Kelly Jones, chairman of the Ramp Committee accepted funds in the amount of \$795.72 for the Texas Ramp Project. Kelly communicated the funds met requirements for a matching funds grant, thus multiplied to \$1,591.44!

Opportunities to Serve

READERS NEEDED:

The reading program at Reagan Elementary will begin the week of October 10th. We need more readers, if you would like to help please contact John R Ruiz at 325-665-9963

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.

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.

Key Club

Key Club had their first official meeting on Thursday, October 6. 32 students attended and the officers introduced themselves and talked about their positions. President Tori explained Key Club and their goals for the year. They will meet every Thursday at noon and hope to grow their club even more this year. They are off to a great start!

Calendar

- October 25 – District Convention 2017 Planning meeting – 7:30am, The Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville, Abilene
- November 8 – Club Satellite Meeting – 6:00pm Martinez Boys & Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St, Abilene
- November? – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St, Abilene
- November 3 – Division 35 Council Meeting – 6:00pm Natural Food Center, 2534 S 7th St, Abilene, TX 79605, call 325-668-8504 to place food order.



SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Stephanie Hodge

I was looking at some old pictures and started reflecting on how God has blessed me and my family. We have come a long long way! I know that I could not have done this alone. I started thinking about all the positive people in my life and how grateful I am for God putting them in my life. Mentors, Teachers, Counselor, Superintendent, Sunday School teacher, and even my old bosses. The list can go on and on.

I started praying for children who may not see what I see. Praying for them to know that God puts people in their lives just like he did for me, just like he did for my mother, grandmother, my dad, and my uncle and really all of us.

If we don't start utilizing God's gifts and appreciate those He has placed in our lives, He could take that away from us. This has been on my mind lately. Something my pastor says quite often, is that we should give roses to the special people in our lives now and not wait until their funeral. Every 5th Sunday we as a church give a Salt of the Earth Award to a member that is working for the Lord, who is faithful and a good steward. I would gladly nominate my pastor and all of the faithful pastors in our community. My reflections on life have become a very positive thing in my life. They have shown me where I came from, where I am today, and a glimpse of where I am going. And for that I am grateful.

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

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



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Nancy Miller President	Dennis Laster President-Elect	Gayla Gill Vice President	Robert Pritz Vice President	Faye Dodson Secretary	Tim Adcock Treasurer
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Ribbon Cutting

JOIN US AS WE THANK OUR DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS
FOR SUPPORTING THIS PROJECT & OUR COMMUNITY'S CHILDREN

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH
CPS • 3610 VINE STREET, ABILENE, TX
7:30 AM DONOR BREAKFAST
8:00 AM RIBBON CUTTING



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