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DR. STEPHANIE CARLE: ABILENE ZOO VETERINARIAN ABILENE COUNTRY CLUB, NOON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST



Dr. Stephanie Carle began working at the Abilene Zoo in July 2015. She grew up on a farm in Festus, Missouri, where her parents indulged her love for animals. From the moment she could talk, she knew she was going to be a veterinarian. Through many 4-H projects, SeaWorld Summer Camps and internships across the country, her interest in veterinary medicine continued to grow. She attended Southeast Missouri State University where she obtained Bachelor of Science in Biology along with minors in Spanish and Mass Communications.

In 2012, Dr. Carle graduated from The University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine and spent a year in a small animal rotating internship in southern Florida. She was selected as the veterinarian intern for Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium where she spent two years. She is beyond thrilled to now be the staff veterinarian at the Abilene Zoo!



Roy Cloud led the opening prayer.



Randy Williams introduced the program.



Will Smith announced a TX-OK raffle to support presented the program. the T/O Foundation.



Dr. Thad Anglin



Former member Sheila Collier was a quest of Clinton Nix.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE February 22nd, 2017 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Nancy Miller
Prayer	Roy Cloud
	Bobbie Wolfe
Piano	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge	Melvin Martin
Guests	Greg Fortson
Cup Money	\$31.90
	\$28.00 (Joe Kimble)

In our prayers

Remember Royce Manning as he recuperates from double knee replacement surgery. Royce is home from the hospital and on the road to recovery. He goes back to the Dr on the 27th and is hopeful for a positive report.

Carl Lockett's sister who is in hospice care

Marellie Robinson's husband Dick passed away on February 20th. Remember Marellie and family during this difficult time. Marellie is the TX-OK District Meeting Coordinator and working with us now as we plan for the District Convention to be held in Abilene this August.

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

Guests

Guest	Member
Sheila Collier	Clinton Nix

Program

Randy Williams introduced Dr. Thad Anglin, President of Cisco College as the speaker on February 22nd. Dr. Anglin joined the Cisco College family just 8 months ago coming from University of North Texas (UNT), where he worked with the 7 campuses in the Dallas area, improving the transfer process. He communicated the transfer process for students is very important and something we certainly we need to improve on. Change is occurring, is on the horizon and continuous! The key today is getting students into career path programs as early as possible. Getting them exposed to and thinking about career options is important. That helps lower their cost as they aren't moving their majors, losing credits, or starting over again in a different direction. The Cisco College campus in Abilene is a branch of the main campus in

Cisco, Texas. The Cisco campus houses approximately 375 students however the Abilene branch is a commuter campus. Cisco students are comprised primarily of athletic, band, theater, dance squad and the newest program which is the rodeo program. He shared they had a National Rodeo qualifier coming in to begin in the fall 2017 semester. Most of the workforce programs, allied health and technology programs take place in Abilene.

Dr. Anglin explained the importance of community colleges and talked about the 60/30 plan for the state of Texas. Ultimately, the plan goal is for 60 percent of the Texas population to have a degree or certificate by the year 2030. Under that plan, colleges and university leaders are charged to lower student debt, and to graduate students with marketable skills. Cisco has embraced those goals and incorporated them into their strategic plan. It was exciting to hear the great thing Cisco is doing and to learn more of their goals for the future.

President Nancy Miller thanked Thad for the wonderful program and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in his honor that helps fund scholarships for high school students.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION RENEWAL

Many of you have completed your forms but we still have some hanging out there. As you know, it is a requirement by TX-OK District and it is important to wrap this up well before Pancake Day. Please submit the completed form at any club meeting or mail to the Kiwanis office at 473 Cypress Street, Suite 107, Abilene TX 79601. More than 60 of you have turned the forms in already which is terrific! Thanks so much. Members may also file online at: http://txokkiwanis.org/forms-and-reports/ and select Background Check Form. For those who file online, payment by credit/debit card at the time of filing is required. Contact Secretary, Faye Dodson should you have any questions.

YUM YUM!

Several Kiwanians attended the Farm and Ranch Luncheon on the 22nd. Those in attendance were: Dennis Laster, Bill Hoogstra, Kelly Jones, Gary Bomar, Cheri Drysdale, Donald McDonald, Tammi Ellison, Robert Pritz, Marty Anderson, and Jack Rentz.

CLUB SATELLITE CORNER

Club Satellite continues to collect Walmart-like shopping bags as a service project that will be made into sleeping mats for homeless veterans. Gayla Gill communicated it takes 500 to 700 bags to make one 6ft by 3ft mat. These mats are placed on the ground to keep their bedding dry. Contact Gayla or any Club Satellite member for more information.

Box Tops for Education

We continue to collect box tops for Reagan Elementary. This is something we all can do. Our box tops help Reagan provide physical education equipment.

Project ELIMINATE Challenge

When you give US \$1,250 to The Eliminate Project, you can become a Walter Zeller Fellow—and save or protect more than 690 women and their future babies. MNT is on the brink of elimination. With your gift you have the power to save lives and prevent a life-threatening disease.

Walter Zeller Fellows are recognized with a medallion, certificate and commemorative lapel pin—and, most importantly, the knowledge they helped fill more than 690 lives with unlimited possibilities.

As announced on November 9th, the Kiwanis Club of Abilene board approved matching \$250.00 toward the \$1,250.00 pledge to become a Walter Zeller Fellow. In addition an anonymous donor stepped up to match the \$250.00 board amount. Thus members contributing \$750.00 will be eligible for Zeller status.

This would remain valid until either:

- 1. The Kiwanis Club of Abilene meets the Model Club Goal of \$71,250.00
 - 2. By July 31, 2017, whichever occurs first

Please make checks payable to the Abilene Kiwanis Club Foundation. In addition, let Faye Dodson know if you are interested in monthly automatic debit from your checking account or credit card and contact Mark Hoover if you have any questions. Together we can reach our goal by the 2017 TX-OK Kiwanis Convention!

Thank you for your support of this important effort and please consider joining in this effort.

DIVISION 35 ANNOUNCEMENTS

2017 Tx-Ok District Convention Strategic Planning Meetings are usually scheduled for the last Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be TUESDAY February 28th, at 7:30am at the Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville. This team is working hard to bring a great convention to Abilene. Be ready to help them as we move closer to the date. The convention will be held August 3rd – August 5th. Mark your calendars now and make plans to attend.

Calendar

- February 28 District Convention Planning Meeting (DCON) – Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville 7:30am
- March 2 Board Meeting 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St, Abilene
- March 7 Club Satellite 6:00pm Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton Street, Abilene. Contact Gayla Gill at gaylalgill@yahoo.com for information
- April 13 Division 35 Council Meeting 6:30 pm at Natural Food Center, 2534 S 7th St (No meeting in March)
- April 29 PANCAKE DAY!
- July 13-16th 102nd Kiwanis International Convention, Paris, France
- August 3-5th Texas-Oklahoma 2017 District Convention, Abilene – Make Plans Now to Attend!





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Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 79.5%
Contributions: \$56,636.00
Zeller Fellows: 33
Pledged Zellers: 1
Model Club Members: 2

Number of lives saved: 31,464 @ \$1.80 per shot series

Eliminate News!

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

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