

KIWANIGRAM

The Kiwanis Club of Abilene



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MARY BURKE: RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE SOUTHWEST AT HSU
ABILENE COUNTRY CLUB, NOON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22ND



Mary Burke is the Special Collections Manager for the Research Center for the Southwest at Hardin-Simmons University.

Mary will share with us the history of the research center, what their collection is made up of, how to access it, and what they are doing to make it more accessible. She will highlight a few items during her talk to show how rich and diverse their collection is. She may also share with us her top 5 or more historical and interesting facts about our area around Abilene that the center has discovered and documented.

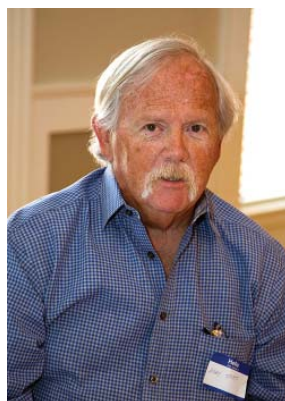
HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY



President Nancy Miller presiding.



Chris Carnohan led the singing.



Jerry Stitts was a guest of Glyn Hammons.



Kyle and Amanda Wiskow presented the program.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE

March 15th, 2017

Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Nancy Miller
Prayer	Faye Dodson
Music.....	Chris Carnohan
Piano	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge.....	Carl Lockett
Guests.....	Melvin Martin
Cup Money	\$36.97
Brag Money	\$3.00 (Christine Curtis-Carr)

In our prayers

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, Jeannette, wife of Roy Cloud and Kirby Leeson. Keep Don Paige and family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of Don's son, Kenny.

Remember our 1st Responders and especially Fire Fighters as they serve to protect us.

Program

Mark Hoover introduced Kiwanians Kyle and Amanda Wiskow as the program on March 15th. Kyle and Amanda gave an outstanding presentation of their travels to Europe during the summer of 2016. The first part of their trip was in Germany and Austria and was organized by the Hardin Simmons University Doctorate in Leadership program, which Kyle is pursuing. This part of the adventure was in partnership with Salzburg College. It was exciting to travel with them as they shared photos and descriptions of many different places along the way. The 1st stop was in Munich, Germany. It was interesting to see where Hitler rallied his forces and the 1972 Olympic Park, Aquatic Center, Olympic Tower and Olympic Village.

Amanda shared that their time in Salzburg, Austria was a favorite part of the trip. It was there they met with 103 year old Holocaust Survivor, Herr Feingold. He told his story and communicated that many times we hear that survivors were "self-liberated". He however insisted the Americans liberated them! Kyle and Amanda shared their experience on the Wolfgang Pilgrimage, and the visit to the Sound of Music location. Those bits of trivia were especially entertaining.

We learned that Russell Berry coordinated extended travel plans that took them to Sorrento, Italy where they stayed in a beautiful panoramic hotel and took in many of the awesome sights.

This amazing trip was not only fun, but was also an incredible learning experience; truly, as Amanda said, "That trip of a lifetime."

President Nancy Miller thanked Kyle and Amanda for the wonderful program and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in their honor.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUMBALL REPORT

Earl Williams reported 251 machines of 937 in operation were read in February. He presented a check in the amount of \$326.28 bringing the grand total to \$272,314.46!

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.

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

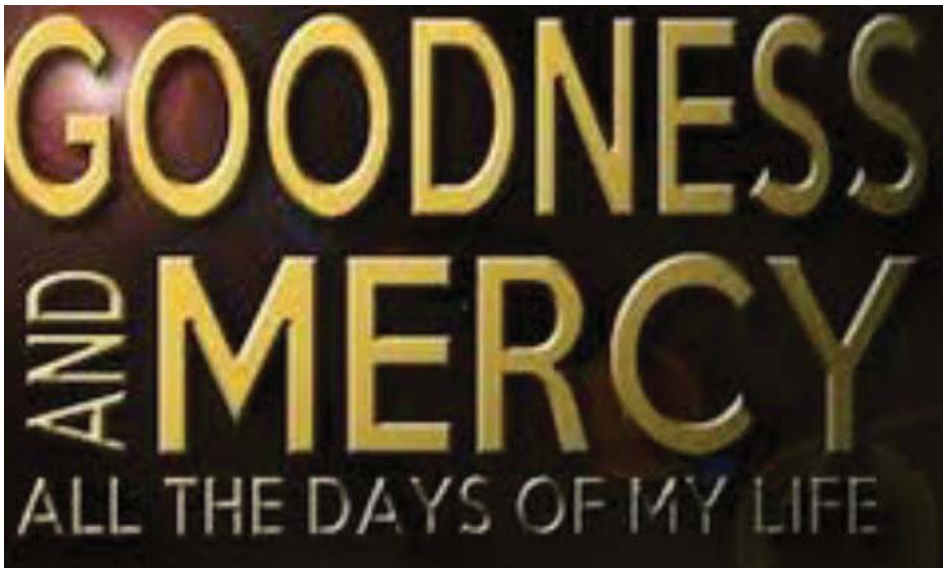
2017 Tx-Ok District Convention Strategic Planning Meetings are usually scheduled for the last Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be March 28th at 7:30am at the Flipping Egg, 4150 South

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

- March 28– District Convention Planning Meeting (DCON) – Flipping Egg, 4150 South Danville 7:30am
- April 4 – Club Satellite 6:00pm Martinez Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton Street, Abilene. Contact Gayla Gill at gaylalgill@yahoo.com for information
- April 6 – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon, Bogie's Sandwich Shop, 241 Cypress St, Abilene
- April 13 – Division 35 Council Meeting – 6:30 pm at Natural Food Center, 2534 S 7th St
- 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!

SPIRITUAL AIMS



Stephanie Hodge

O give thanks unto the Lord for His mercy endures forever. - Psalms 136:1

Take time and think for a minute, if God gave each of us what we deserved and showed us no mercy we would all be condemned for eternity. (Mercy is kindness exercised towards the miserable, it includes pity, compassion, forbearance, and gentleness.) But, instead we are able to cry out to God for his mercy and ask him to withhold the true judgement we deserve and to grant us forgiveness we in no way have earned. Because

God is full of mercy he acts to relieve our distress. (God's mercy is his tender compassion towards us in our distress that causes him to act on our behalf and relieve our suffering at the time and in the manner he knows best) God's merciful heart aches over the misery which man's sins have brought to this world. When we get to know God intimately our hearts will ache as well. Not only will our hearts ache, but our arms will reach out, our homes will open up, our wallets will unfold and we will find great joy in relieving some of the misery we see in the world.

This week I challenge myself and each one of you to meditate on God's mercy, to grow more in his likeness and to allow mercy to become an increasingly significant part of your daily lifestyle.

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Pancake Ticket Sales Update:

Week One

Paula Dean.....	\$0.00
Julia Child.....	\$300.00
Emeril.....	\$340.00
Bobby Flay.....	\$160.00
Total Week 1	\$800.00
Top Salesman – EMERIL – Glyn Hammons with \$180.00	
2nd place – EMERIL – Al Morotini, JULIA CHILD – Dick Kincaid and	
BOBBY FLAY – Carl Lockett with \$160.00 each!	
3rd place – Keith Garner \$100.00	
Ticket Sales to Date	\$800.00

Let's Sell Tickets!!

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

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

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- Gayla Gill – Vice President
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- Tim Adcock – Treasurer
- Faye Dodson – Secretary
- Brice West – Foundation Advisor

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