

## LAST WEEK

The program focus in general was the Texas Boys Ranch, and more specifically, the equine therapy services provided there.

Kiwanian Jay Hanley arranged for the program. He is involved with the ranch as director of advancement and church relations. He introduced **Kendra Jones** who serves as a counselor and an equine specialist.

The ranch has 18 horses and eight colts. Some are donated horses, others belong to the ranch foreman, and the speaker owns one of them.

### Fun and Different Approach

Ms. Jones combines her love of children and of horses in providing the therapy. It makes for a fun and different approach to solve problems or to deal with and process past traumatic experiences. She told of a youngster who didn't communicate, but later began to open up and communicate.

She mentioned that some children ride the horses backwards or sideways. She said that Fridays are important days for the equine program. Children see horses at least once per week.

One horse was known to try to get his way ("horse bully"). A boy identified with the situation, saying he was like that horse because he had bullied others.

The children wear helmets when in the therapy sessions. The speaker said that riding is therapeutic. The equine approach is good in helping men.

### Donation from Club

Kiwanis Club budgets some of its funds raised through the flag project for donation to the ranch, which serves both boys and girls. At the conclusion of the meeting, Jay Hanley was presented a check for a club gift of \$2,500 for the ranch.

The annual telethon to raise funds for the ranch is to be August 18 this year.

**Welcome! Doris Reding**, foundation director for Hospice Care, will give the program. She is involved raising funds for veteran groups.

## ★Coming Soon★

**Monday, May 28, 7 A.M.:** Flags will be distributed to subscribers. This is the first day for the club's project. this year.

**Thursday, May 31, Noon:** The program guest will be **Daniel Sanchez**, library associate with Texas Tech's Southwest Collection.

**Wednesday, June 6, Noon:** The club board will meet at Logan's Roadhouse for a business meeting.

**Thursday, June 7, Noon:** **Moises Carrasco** will present a safety talk involving technology of the ADT home security system.

**Saturday, June 9, 5-8 P.M.:** Kiwanis picnic will be held at 8806 University Ave., location of Caprock Home Health Center.

**Thursday, June 14:** This is a regular meeting date (noon) as well as **Flag Day** during which flags will be distributed as part of the club project.

## The 2018 flag season starts Memorial Day

JOHN PAUL BATRICE'S

### ☺BITS & PIECES

A few Sundays ago, **Jody Janovick** returned from church. **Deborah Conn** asked Jody, "What was the lesson about in Sunday school?" Jody said, "The title was, 'don't be scared, you will get your quilt.'" Deborah was confused and decided to call the Sunday school teacher and ask him about the subject of the lesson. He told her, "The subject was 'Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming.'"

#### Headline News:

- Drunk gets nine months in violin case
- Prostitute appeals to Pope
- Squad helps dog bite victim
- If strike isn't settled quickly, it may take a while

**Just before Jen and Sam Cross** got married, Sam went to the newspaper to place a wedding announcement. He asked the clerk about the cost. The clerk replied, "We charge a dollar an inch." "Oh!" Sam said, "Never mind, that will be too costly. I am five feet eleven and my fiancée is five foot six."

*Have a great week! -- John Paul*

**Before you know it, June 9 will be here** and the club picnic will start at 5 p.m. Please get your name on the sheet for reservations and list of supplies so that things will be ready! **Cindy Ham** will make an announcement about it today!

**A club visitor last week, Curtis Parrish**, was introduced and made brief remarks regarding his candidacy for County Judge.

**Vacation season is here** when attendance at meetings is hard to estimate. Have fun. Be at club meeting every chance you have to support our program presenters! Kiwanis is kind of like family, so we want to see you.

**There are two days soon** when we will distribute flags to subscribers.

*I* will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

*--Psalm 34:1*

**Kiwanis, a service club, meets Thursdays at noon at River Smith's, 5th St. & Ave. Q**