

**Kiwanis Club of
Harker Heights**
P O Box 2309
Harker Heights, TX 76548



Speaker Roster 2018

Jan 30 – S Carpenter
Feb 6 – P Brunson
Feb 13 – M Cross
Feb 20 – D Dinwiddie
Feb 27 – N Dunbar

Please notify Jody Nicholas prior to your program as to your speaker and topic or if you need assistance obtaining a speaker.

2017-18 Officers

President: David McClure
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Steve Carpenter
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James Hoyle
Esabell Zellmar

Raffle

Winner: Alberta Barrett
Amount: \$ 13.00
Jackpot: \$ 175.00 (not won)
Next Jackpot: \$ 180.00



Harker Heights Kiwanis Club Meeting 01-30-18



Speaker: Joe Maines & Bob Gordon

Topic: Historic Comanche Gap Medicine Man –Bill Alford’s fascination with local Indian lore turned his Comanche Gap area into a yearly fun Medicine Show. All kinds of animals were brought in. Cages he used had once been the original Killeen jail. By 1980 the club evolved into an organization that recognized outstanding men in the community. **The Medicine Man** award is presented to: **“One who is unafraid of being challenged; One who loves nature; One who is dedicated to helping youth; One who makes good medicine to the people he serves.”** Each year the Medicine Man is chosen by the Tribal Council made up of previous Medicine Men. It is kept secret until the ceremony on the 1st Saturday of May. The city of Harker Heights owns the land now and has made some improvements with plan to continue with more improvements. The Medicine Men have reserved the 1st Saturday of May for 50 years for their ceremony. The public is invited to the celebration which begins at 6 pm.



(Each year a member gets to put another feather on his hat)



Kiwanis Motto

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to

Club Business:

Prayer: Paul Loughran

Pledges: Bob Dunlap

Song: James Hoyle

Pancake Supper: Saturday,

Feb 17- Tickets are now available for each member. If you need more, see Darrel Charlton. There is a sign up sheet for duties. If you have something for the silent auction contact Darrel Charlton.

Children's Miracle Network:

Jar passed

Prayers: Allie Krebs, Esabell Zellmar's son was hit by a car and has several places broken in his neck and will be having surgery. Keep him in your prayers

Lunch: Schlotzsky's sandwiches, chips, cookie & tea

Guests: Laura Miller



Peggy Goggans



Birthdays: None

FYI: Groundhog Day Education

Submitted by: Jos Portmann

Groundhog Day, ([Pennsylvania German](#): *Grund'sau dâk*, *Grundsaudaag*, *Grundsow Dawg*, *Murmeltiertag*; [Nova Scotia](#): **Daks Day**) is a popular tradition celebrated in the [United States](#) and [Canada](#) on February 2. It derives from the [Pennsylvania Dutch](#) superstition that if a [groundhog](#) ([Deutsch](#): *Grundsau*, *Grunddax*, *Dax*) emerging from its burrow on this day sees a shadow due to clear weather, it will retreat to its den and [winter](#) will persist for six more weeks, and if he does not, due to cloudiness, [spring season](#) will arrive early. The [weather lore](#) was brought from German-speaking areas where the [badger](#) (German: *dachs*) is the forecasting animal. This appears to be an enhanced version of the lore that clear weather on [Candlemas](#) forebodes a prolonged winter. The Groundhog Day ceremony held at [Punxsutawney](#) in central Pennsylvania has become the most attended. *Grundsow Lodges* in [Pennsylvania Dutch Country](#) in the southeast part of the state celebrate them as well. Other cities in the United States and Canada have also adopted the event.

