

## BASKETBALL SHOOT OUT

Thank you, thank you, and thank you...for making the **12<sup>th</sup> Annual – Kiwanis Club of Abilene – Basketball Shoot Out** a big success. Attached are just a few of the photographs from the Shoot Out so you can see the fun we had.

With your help, this years Shoot Out raised the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest amount of money for children in need in its twelve year history...**\$6,475.48**. This makes the total amount we have donated to Children's Miracle Network and Hendrick Children's Hospital ... **\$34,069.45**.

The **Change Bandits** again knocked the lights out by robbing people for a good cause and raising **\$4,123.59**, which is 64% of the total. That's incredible... We really appreciate the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Boy Scout Troop #206, First Financial Bank employees and of course the women's and men's basketball teams from McMurry and Hardin-Simmons for their efforts. Thanks especially to First Financial Bank, who was not only our corporate sponsor, but who also counted all of the money in the "Bandit Bags" that were turned in, which is quite an undertaking.

We had 25 Kiwanis Club of Abilene members "man" the doors selling tickets and passing out programs and over 20 boy scouts from Troop 206 taking up half time donations. The ceremonial ball toss and the half-time donations went great with Kelly Jay's assistance. **Thank you coaches, players and universities for making our Miracle Child, Allie Nichols, feel extra special.** Her mother told us that she talked forever about how much fun she had at the game.

Of course, we really appreciate Melinda Blay and all the folks at **Children's Miracle Network** who helped with a lot of the details of putting the Shoot Out on and making it a grand success again this year.

What do you say...let's do it again next year?



