



JAY EVANS: EXPO CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, January 7th



Jay Evans joined First Financial Trust in 2010 as a vice president and serves as a trust administrator.

He was previously a financial advisor for Wells Fargo Advisors, and prior to working in the finance industry, Jay worked 19 years as vice president of Texas Communications Inc.

Jay earned a bachelor's degree in biology in 1988 from Abilene Christian University.

Active in the community, he serves on the board of directors of the Abilene Convention & Visitors Bureau, Junior Achievement of Abilene and the Expo Center of Taylor County. Jay is currently the President Elect of the Expo Center Board of Directors, having served on the board for over 20 years. He serves of the chairman of

the Expo Facilities Improvement Committee and will speak with us regarding the proposed improvements to the facility.



In our prayers

Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry, Edith Smith, Marty Anderson and Donna King in prayer

Remember Joan, wife of George Knight and Marilyn, wife of Jeff Goodin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Contratulations to Kirk Hancock and Jana on the birth of their son William James Hancock, born at 12:28am 1/2/15. Weighing 7lb 5oz & 19-in long!

Club Directory

The 2014-2015 Kiwanis Club of Abilene Directory is available on line. Note the directory is password protected. Contact Faye Dodson for the User ID and password. Be sure to thank Charles Kirkpatrick for making this available.

Box Tops for Education

Reagan Elementary is collecting box tops for education. Let's help them by bringing those box tops throughout the year.

Volunteers Needed

The West Texas Rehab Center is needing volunteers for their 2015 Phonathon. In the past they have relied heavily on Dyess Air Force Base for volunteers, but many Dyess personnel are deployed at this time. Volunteers are needed for Wednesday and Thursday nights, January 14-15, from 5:30 to 9:00 pm at the Civic Center. If you can help, please call Michelle Mickey at 325-677-1342 and let her know you are representing the Kiwanis Club of Abilene. All volunteers will receive two free tickets to the Telethon, and many great prizes are given away throughout the night. Supper will be served to the volunteers at 5:30 each evening, a brief training at 6:00, and then the volunteers will place calls to friends of the Rehab for their pledges before the Telethon on Saturday night.

Governor's News

Save the date now for Governor Colleen's visit to the Big Country with Divisions 12, 22 and 35 on Saturday, February 21, 2015 in Abilene, Texas.

To reduce travel expenses, T/O will hold three (3) Mid-Year Conferences in three different cities. Hours are 10 – 2 PM. They are:

Heartland - Oklahoma City - Saturday 1/17/2015
Metroplex - DFW Metroplex - Saturday 2/7/2015

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250

Percent of Goal Met: 30.8%

Contributions: \$ \$21,956.60

Zeller Fellows: 7

Pledged Zellers: 13

Model Club Members: 2

Number of lives saved: 12,198 @ \$1.80 per shot series

South Texas - San Antonio - Saturday 3/14/2015

TX/OK Convention will be held in Texarkana, TX August 7 thru 9, 2015. Ironically, Texarkana will also celebrate their 100 years anniversary!

CLUB SATELLITE NEWS

HAPPY 2015! REMINDER: CS meets this Tuesday January 6th @ Boys and Girls Club (Martinez) at 6:00 pm. We look forward to seeing everyone. Please let me know if you cannot make it. There will be a drawing for a free month of CS dues for one lucky member who is present.

We will have a guest speaker to kick off the New Year! Take Shape for Life health coach and fellow CS member Becky Spargo will speak about positive habits that help create a life of renewed vibrancy, health, sleep and spirit. Come listen to Becky's story and learn how healthy habits can help you live your best life now.

Here is another link from KI. A 100 Year Anniversary VIDEO Message from KI President John Button: <http://www.kiwanis.org/kiwanis100/resources/video-messages>

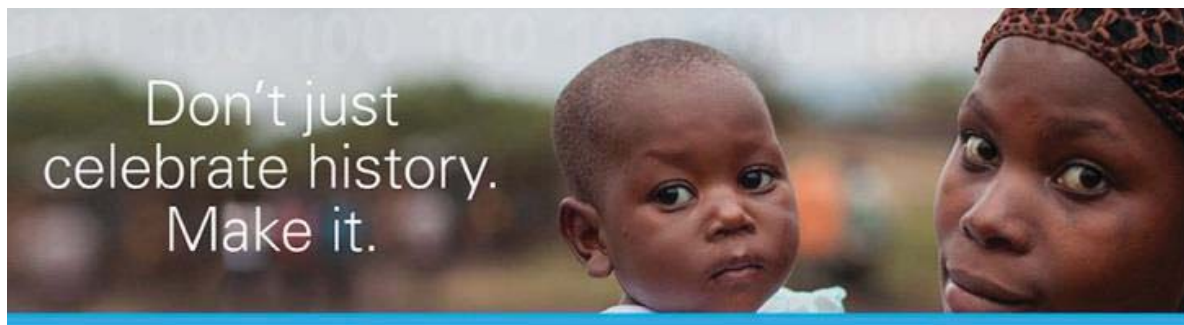
CALENDAR

- January 6th, 2015 – Club Satellite –6:00 pm
Boys and Girls Club, 1301 Clinton St
- January 13th, 2015 – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- January 15th, 2015 – Board Meeting – 12:00noon Bogies Sandwich Shop
- February 21, 2015 – Governor's Visit for Divisions 12, 22 and 35 – Abilene
- June 25–28, 2015 – Kiwanis International Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration, Indianapolis, Indiana
- August 7 – 9th 2015 – Tx/Ok Convention – Texarkana, TX

HAPPY NEW YEAR – AND HAPPY CENTENNIAL YEAR TO KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL!



During the time when people vow to make changes for personal improvement, resolve to be a strong advocate for women and babies in the coming year. Through supporting **The Eliminate Project** you can keep your resolution and bring positive change to the world.



With **The Eliminate Project**, Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. This deadly disease steals the lives of nearly 60,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year. The effects of the disease are excruciating — tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch.

To eliminate MNT from the Earth, more than 100 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. It will take \$110 million — and the dedicated work of UNICEF and every member of the Kiwanis family. Have **YOU** made your pledge to The Eliminate Project yet?

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By LaZuiera Gantt

Goodbye 2014...Hello 2015! I don't know about you, but I absolutely love celebrating the new year. It is a chance to turn over a new leaf, start (and hopefully finish) new projects, and just work on a being a better you. It is also a time to reflect on the many experiences and lessons learned from the previous year and to acknowledge just how blessed

we are. I ran across a quote (I love quotes) that said " This is the year I will be stronger, braver, kinder and unstoppable." Don't you just love this?! As we begin to set goals for the year or reevaluate our priorities, let's not forget to be stronger, braver, kinder, and most of all UNSTOPPABLE! May this year be the best ever. Happy New Year, Kiwanians!

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