



DAVID A. VELA: CITY'S BOND ELECTION

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, May 6th



David A. Vela was appointed Interim City Manager for the City of Abilene, Texas in October 2014. He joined the City of Abilene as Assistant City Manager in 2006, and was promoted to Deputy City Manager in 2011. Prior to joining the City of Abilene, Mr. Vela served as Assistant City Manager for the City of Alice, Texas, for 3 years. He has a combined 17 years of service in State and Local government.

Mr. Vela has been active in professional associations. He is a member of the International City Management Association and is an ICMA-Credentialed Manager, one of only 69 active managers in Texas to hold this distinction. He is also a member of the Texas City Management Association, where he represented Region 3 on the Board of Directors from 2009-2011. Mr. Vela currently serves on the TCMA Ethics Committee.

Mr. Vela earned a Bachelor of Arts in Government from the University of Texas at Austin and a Master of Public Administration degree from Texas State University.

Additionally, Mr. Vela serves in the Maritime Regiment of the Texas State Guard, a component of the Texas Military Forces, holding the rank of Petty Officer Second Class (E-5).

Mr. Vela is married to Karla and has two children, both born in Abilene.



President Jamie Breed presided.



Chris Carnohan led the singing.



Rob Chastain led the Pledge of Allegiance.



Rod Weeks introduced guests.



Kelly Jones introduced the program.



Jason Smith not only presented the program, he also had a birthday.



Tammi Faught was a guest of Kelly Jones.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
 Weekly Meeting
 April 29th, 2015
 Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting	Jamie Breed
Prayer	Lew Lewis
Music	Chris Carnohan
Piano	Lora Lynn Christensen
Pledge.....	Rob Chastain
Guests	Rodney Weeks
Cup Money	\$36.00
Brag Money (John Snapp).....	\$7.00

In our prayers

Remember Pat Lockett as she recovers from hip surgery and a broken ankle
 Keep Donna King in your prayers as she continues to undergo medical tests.
 Remember former member Rob Allen and family. Rob's father, Bob Allen passed away recently.
 Remember Dub Pritchett, John Landry, and Edith Smith. Remember Joan, wife of George Knight.

Guests

Guest.....	Member Hattie Washington	Dub Pritchett
	Tammi Faught.....	Kelly Jones

Program

Kelly Jones introduced Chamber of Commerce President/CEO, Jason Smith, as the speaker on April 29th. Jason communicated that the Chamber is a membership organization and primarily of businesses and non-profits. The primary goal is to create a better quality of life for the community. The best way to do that is to help the community grow and primarily by bringing in new businesses to create jobs for Abilene. The Chamber of Commerce contracts with the City of Abilene to provide tourism services, thus the Abilene Visitors Bureau falls under the umbrella of the Chamber of Commerce. A program partially funded by the hotel/motel tax is the Abilene Cultural Affairs Council. How we as a community support cultural and arts activity is extremely important to help draw others to Abilene. The Chamber also operates and manages the Abilene Industrial Foundation. The Industrial Foundation is a programming arm of the development corporation of Abilene. It is primarily funded by the development corporation of Abilene with the primary responsibility to work to attract new businesses to Abilene and to promote growth of

ELIMINATE
 maternal/neonatal tetanus



Model Club Goal: \$71,250
Percent of Goal Met: 40.3%
Contributions: \$ \$28,706.60
Zeller Fellows: 11
Pledged Zellers: 12
Model Club Members: 3
Number of lives saved: 15,948 @ \$1.80 per shot series

existing businesses.

Some of the most recognized programs supported by the Chamber are:

- Military Affairs Program – a lead in support of our Military and Dyess Air Force Base
- Agriculture Committee – Important to communicate the importance to our community-example Farm and Ranch Wildlife Show
- Leadership Abilene – 30 to 40 up and coming leaders go thru this program each year
- Business Council - Hispanic and Buying Big Country
- Government Affairs – Important that we are aware and have a voice on behalf of our businesses
- Young Professionals in Abilene – This is a new venture for 22 to 40 year olds. 400 people came for the 1st event! This effort is important as we attempt to retain young professionals in Abilene.

He stressed the efforts of the Chamber and the ongoing effort to promote the growth of the community of Abilene. Jason closed by sharing the need for a cohesive economic development. A committee is working to develop a plan to move forward with this effort. The Chamber of Commerce is a growth organization and the goal is to continuously promote the betterment of Abilene.

President Jamie Breed thanked Jason for the informative presentation and communicated we would make a donation to the Kiwanis Club of Abilene Foundation in his honor to help fund scholarships for students.

KIWANIANS: LOVE IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PANCAKE TICKET SALES WEEK EIGHT:

Top Ticket Sales for the week:

Will Smith	\$345.00
Dub Pritchett.....	\$420.00
Guy Lucas	\$1,300.00
TOTAL SALES Week 8	\$4,775.00

Stay Tuned for Pancake Day Results Soon!

Thanks everyone for another successful year! A big thanks to Hattie Washington for her part in selling tickets again this year. Hattie is 93 years old and while not a Kiwanian, she certainly has a Kiwanis Heart! She has been faithful for many years to help us with ticket sales. Great Job Hattie!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

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

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: APRIL

Tim Adcock	Mark Hoover
Marty Anderson	David Jones
David Bacon	Ellen Jones
Russell Berry	Kelly Jones
Curtis Blackburn	Richard Kincaid
Michelle Brasher	Charles Kirkpatrick
Jamie Breed	Cynthia Laster
Zach Briley	Dennis Laster
Price Brock	Carl Lockett
Chris Carnohan	Royce Manning
Brandon Carr	Melvin Martin
Rob Chastain	Donald McDonald
Lora Lynn Christensen	Nancy Miller
Roy Cloud	Clinton Nix
Kimberley Cole	Don Paige
Christine Curtis-Carr	Gary Poynor
Roy Dent	Kenneth Poynor
James Floyd	Donald Scargall
Key Gantt	William A Smith
Keith Garner	Becky Spargo
Gayla Gill	Rodney Weeks
Glyn Hammons	Earl Williams
Stephanie Hodge	Amanda Wiskow
William Hoogstra	Kyle Wiskow

VOTE

Charles Kirkpatrick communicated the following:
The video of the ramp project which we built on Kiwanis One Day Project has been entered into a

contest on the Kiwanis International Facebook page. Starting at 9 a.m. PST on Wednesday, May 6, you'll be able to vote for your favorite videos once per day. The video with the most votes by midnight PST on Tuesday, May 12 will win a GoPro camera, so spread the word to your friends and family!

You will find our video by clicking this link or copy and paste it in your browser. <http://bit.ly/1D6CWzB>
We could sure use that camera, so, VOTE daily!!

Skip-A Meal

Thank you for your contribution to this Kiwanis International project. \$100.00 was collected on April 29th. Skip-a-Meal contributions go to fund the Children's Fund of the Kiwanis International Foundation.

Annual Student Recognition

Annual Student Recognition coming up in May: Our student meetings will be May 13th and May 20th. You can help make this a success by helping sponsor meals for our guests. Signup sheets will be on the table May 6th. Thus far Kiwanians have signed up to cover approximately 50 meals, which represents about 1/2 of the number of guests we will have for these two events. If you cannot attend the May 6th meeting but would like to help sponsor a meal, please email Faye Dodson at kiwanis@abilenekiwanis.org. Faye can add the cost to your Kiwanis billing statement.

CALENDAR

- May 12th – Division 35 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, Al's Mesquite Grill
- May 13th – Career and Technology Student Recognition
- May 20th – Valedictorian, Salutatorian Student Recognition
- May 21st – Board Meeting – 12:00 noon Bogies Sandwich Shop
- June 25–28, 2015 – Kiwanis International Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration, Indianapolis, Indiana
- (Delegates will be Jamie Breed and Faye Dodson)
- May 28th – Division 35 Annual Prayer Breakfast – Bobbie Wolfe's Barn
- August 7 – 9th 2015 – Tx/Ok Convention – Texarkana, TX

A 100 Year Anniversary VIDEO Message from KI President John Button:

<http://www.kiwanis.org/kiwanis100/resources/video-messages>

Kiwanis Through the Years: 1982

- There were 110 Inter-Clubs by our club members last year. The 1981-82 Kiwanis International Theme is "Serving the World."
- Ron Keener, General Chairman of the 1982 Pancake Supper, called a meeting of a selected committee to formulate plans on Nov. 25. At this meeting it was decided to have the Pancake Supper on a Saturday in April, and to expand the serving hours from 11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. so to spread out the crowd and give better service.
- Keith Garner is the Inter-Club Chairman and is pushing hard.
- Henry McGinty, Chairman of the Senior Citizens Committee, announced that this committee will serve as a clearing house for Hearing Aids and will try to provide hearing aids for those Seniors who cannot afford to buy them. Kiwanians who have old hearing aids are encouraged to turn them in to the committee for redistribution.
- A new club has been organized at Cross Plains with 30 members.
- Lt. Gov. Winford Hogan, Supt. of Clyde Public Schools, was the speaker at the last meeting of 1981. His message was about West Point and the education a young person can get there. He and Mrs. Hogan have 3 sons that went there.
- The Annual Ladies Night Valentine Banquet was held at Briarstone Manor on Feb. 9. Ron Keener was the Chairman and there were 207 Kiwanians and guests in attendance. Legion of Honor Awards were presented to Mel Coltharp, 25 years; Bedford Furr, 30 years; Bert Chapman, 45 years. Kiwanian of the Year Award was presented to Raymond McDaniel, Sr.
- Past Lt. Gov. Marvin W. Sapaugh has allowed his name to be presented as a candidate for Governor-Elect for 1982-83.
- Clive Pierce Day was observed on March 10 at which time District Gov. Bill Ayers and his First Lady were in attendance. Kiwanians Furr, McMillon, Coltharp, Dr. Leo Gee, Clive's Pastor; Biggs and Dr. Bill Pierce and Bessie Robertson added their bits about the honoree. It was a great day.
- Pancake ticket sales kicked-off on Mar. 17 with Bedford Furr as the Ticket Sales Chairman. Supper date is April 17. About 125 Kiwanians reported to the Coliseum to make it all happen. Gross sales \$18,713. Net income \$12,114.20. Tickets sold for \$2.00 Clive Pierce sold right at 1500 tickets.
- The Board voted to spend \$960 to purchase two manikins for the School's comprehensive Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation program. This will allow many more students to learn CPR and save lives.
- Kiwanis International Convention is in Minneapolis. Minn June 30- July 3. James McMillon, Ron Keener, Bill Baxter and Ben Benigno attended. Baxter and Benigno went to set up a booth at the convention center displaying materials and hand-out information on our "Senior Citizen's Day At The West Texas Fair". A proposal to admit women as Kiwanis members was defeated again.
- The Club sponsored the recognition banquet for the RSVP volunteers.
- Bill Landers was called to the podium and recognized as the "Unsung Hero" as selected by the club Vice-Presidents This was in recognition for the faithful service he has rendered at the reception table for the past 15 years.
- Jack Harkins set up a Blood Drive for the Club members as part of the club meeting program on June 16. Twenty one men gave blood.
- Senator Lloyd Benson was the Club speaker on June 30. He says our budget deficit will reach nearly \$300 billion by 1985. He favors a Constitutional amendment that will require a balanced budget. He thinks such a budget will be approved by the senate this year.
- A television set was purchased for the Abilene Girls Home for \$567 for their new home at north 3rd and Grape Street.
- Kenny Biggs was elected to be the Lt. Gov. Elect for Division 35 for the Kiwanis Year 1982-83 at the District Convention in McAllen August 12-14.
- Our Club had a float in the West Texas Fair Parade on Sept. 11 which illustrated our service projects and the Pancake Supper.
- Abilene Kiwanis Caps are now available for \$3.00 each.
- Through the 1981-82 year we have had 75 Inter-Clubs.
- We closed the year with 243 members same as last year. Mr. & Mrs. Jim Jennings hosted a reception at their home for Kiwanians and wives from Division XII in the afternoon before the dinner and meeting.
- Pancake Supper Kick-Off was April 9, 1982. Fifteen businesses have made gifts to be presented to high ticket sales Kiwanians.

SPIRITUAL AIMS

By Laquiera Gantt



No matter the situation,
no matter the outcome or
decision, He is still good.
Continue to trust and
believe that He knows
your cares and worried
and will never leave you.
Stay encouraged!

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dedicated to changing the world, one child and one
community at a time. LOVE IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT!

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66th Annual Kiwanis Club of Abilene Pancake Day

