

Feb. 14, 2024

"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time."

Today's Program

Chase Thrasher — UTM Rodeo Coach



Dr. Daniel Pigg, professor in the Department of English and Modern Foreign Languages, outlined some of the history, complexities, and challenges in Israel and the Middle East in his presentation for Kiwanis on Feb. 7. Dr. Pigg visited Israel and the Palestinian territories in January 2023.

Beginning by distributing a current map of Israel and the

Palestinian territories (Gaza and the West Bank), he noted how things had not really gone as planned in the UN resolution that established the state of Israel in 1948 by noting the acquisition of land in wars.

He discussed the mix of both Israelis and Palestinians in these areas, especially in the hill country of the West Bank where there are currently more than 150 Israeli government-built settlements on land designated as Palestinian territories. Dr. Pigg discussed the history of people living in this area prior to the establishment of the state of Israel, the relocation of people from land that was once theirs, and the "ingathering of the exiles," the Jewish people coming to Israel from around the world.

Dr. Pigg spoke of differences within Israel itself about government and the classifications of Judaism. He noted further that the attempts to establish a Palestinian state have not materialized and that getting all parties to agree has been most difficult with the attacks in Gaza further complicating all prospects.

Dr. Pigg said, however, that there was much to see and learn in this area but "until people on various sides see the possibility of goodwill, there is not much of an opportunity to move forward.

Martin Kiwanis Calendar

Feb. 21 — Brad Thompson, City of Martin

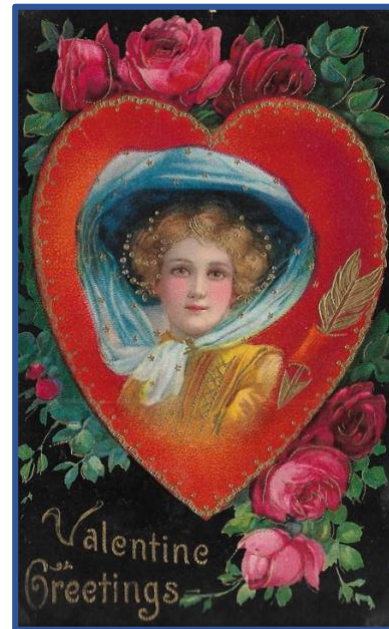
Feb. 24 — Pancake Day, Martin Elementary School

Feb. 28 — Terry McDade, Weakley County Sheriff –
Emergencies

Apr. 26-8 — Key Leader 2024

February Birthdays

Jayne..... Feb. 5
Anna..... Feb. 27
Mary M Feb. 27



From a card posted in 1912

Martin Kiwanis Club
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
 Saturday, Feb. 24 6:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
 Martin Elementary School Cafeteria
 Tickets \$8.00 Pre-school children eat free
 On the menu: pancakes, sausage, eggs & beverages.
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- Chris Alexander
- Bill Austin
- Mary Elizabeth Bell
- Otha Britton
- Anna Clark
- Jim Clark
- Danelle Fabianich
- Wayne Fields
- Ann Gathers
- Bettye Giles
- Vickie Hazlewood
- Steve Lemond
- Linda Luther
- John Mayros
- Jennifer Medford
- Mary Morgan
- Katie Parr
- Jayne Parrish
- Roberta Peacock
- Vincent Politte
- Linda Ramsey
- Sara Sieber
- Clinton Smith
- David Sudberry
- Jamie Summers
- Laura Taylor
- Joyce Washington
- Earl Wright

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