



Keith Dyas
AVEK Board of Directors
Division 2 since 1991



Keith Dyas, of Rosamond, California, is a retired environmental and civil engineer at Edwards Air Force Base for 28 years. Previously, he was a Plant Engineer for Occidental Petroleum Corporation in Mojave, CA, Conroe, TX and Franklin, LA for 10 years. He has served on many local boards including the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency and the Eastern Kern County Resource Conservation District. Keith currently serves as a consultant to Reserve Systems, Inc. in Willow Springs, CA and jointly holds a U.S. Patent for an oil pump used in the mining industry. Keith earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Cal Poly, Pomona and a Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Fresno State University. Keith has also served on the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board since first appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2004. Keith represents AVEK Division 2, which is located in Southeast Kern County and encompasses a land mass the size of Rhode Island.

But Keith's true value was as the trigger man for Tory Davis and his team of "clingers" (Bruce Nelson, Victor Hom, George Conner, Joe Theobald, etc) that successfully assaulted and mounted the Pitzer clocktower in our frosh year. As a former baseball pitcher, I was recruited in the dead of night from North Dorm to throw the rock with rope attached over the arm of the clocktower to begin the climb. Valiant prior efforts by shot putter Bob Bono fell short, leading Captain Davis to invoke the velocity vector over the momentum vector, and the rest is history.

Keith has been married to his college sweetheart Kathi for 45 years. He and Kathi have three adult children (Clayton, a former college baseball pitcher that beat Cal Tech; Rebecca, a former High School Valedictorian & Beauty Queen and Mother of four future astronauts; and Darrel, a U.S. Army Major) and seven grandchildren.