

Metro Banner

Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary District 5730 -- August 6, 2013

Awesome Social – Thanks to All









Did we eat well? You betcha. Thanks to all the cooks, especially Kirk Pittman whose meats were awesome. Also, thanks to Linda McMurry, Severo Alvarado, Bonnie Schwarzentraub, Kirk and Melanie Pittman and everyone else involved in the planning let's do it again.

We also appreciated the chance to see Harwell's Outdoor Education Lab and to hear from the Harwell leadership about its value to the students, school and community. We got to see what's been done and get an idea of what needs to be done in the future. We also appreciate Linda McMurry leading a tour of the Larry Combest Community Health and Wellness Center, of which Linda is the Executive Director. We learned about its history and future; and we got to think about Metro's future involvement with Combest.

More pictures further back in the Banner.



Friday's Program – Port-to-Plains Alliance

Our speaker Friday will be Michael Reeves, President of the Ports-to-Plains Alliance. Per their website, "The Ports-to-Plains Alliance, based in Lubbock, Texas, is a non-profit, non-partisan, community-driven advocacy group led by mayors, councilpersons, economic development officials, business and other opinion leaders from a nine-state, 2300-plus mile economic development corridor between Texas, and Alberta, Canada."

Haley Patton – 2012-13 Outbound RYE Student

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Never doubt you can have an influence on a young person's life. You already have.

The work you do at the Apple Butter Festival and Beef Tasting contributes to the Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary's charitable projects budget which assisted Haley Patton's year's exchange trip to Austria. At our August 2 meeting we heard about the highlights of her year abroad and her plans for the future; and she amply demonstrated her newly-developed command of German.

Serendipitously at the 2011 Apple Butter Festival Haley's granddad, John Key, introduced Haley to Luchi (Lucrezia) Muttini, our inbound exchange student that year from Italy. One thing led to another. Haley talked with Susan Wierzba and others; and in due time Haley was on the plane to Austria as an outbound exchange student for a year.

If you want more RYE information for someone you know or you want to pass the information on to some school people, see folks such as Susan Wierzba, SarahLee and Bill Morris, Ken and Elyn Patterson, Susan and Cal Brints, Bonnie and Paul Schwarzentraub, and others whom I'm forgetting and/or go to http://www.scrye.org (SCRYE = South Central Rotary Youth Exchange).



Susan Wierzba has shared that there is a \$300 fee for clubs to sponsor outbound students (which primarily covers the cost of the blazer, pins, business cards and patches for their blazer). This fee is paid by the sponsoring club; in our case the money comes from our charitable account which is "fed" by the Apple Butter Festival, Beef Tasting and any other fundraiser we might have. No money from the foundation is used to support this program. All other costs for students are covered by the student's family (plane ticket, tours, anything considered 'extra'). When the student arrives in the host country (for example, Austria), there is a club that will be hosting them. That club is required to provide a \$100 minimum (U.S. equivalent) stipend per month for the student to help cover 'incidentals,' and the host club arranges room, board, local trips, and support (e.g., school enrollment, assistance from an advisor, and the like).

Rotary Youth Exchange can be life changing. Thanks for helping a young person take advantage.

Pres. Walter <u>Will</u> Get a Shave ... and maybe a Mohawk?

One last chance. Thanks to your generous contributions to the Rotary Foundation, Walter will get a shave. Now . . . how about a Mohawk? You can add to the Mohawk fund until next Friday, August 9, by giving a check made to the Rotary Foundation to David McAlexander or by going to the RI website to make a contribution by credit card . . . and then telling David how much you donated.









Bring your weapon of choice next Friday the 9th; and for a \$5 donation to the shave / Mohawk fund, you can take a whack at Walter's beard. One whack per \$5. Maybe not the Tommy Gun.

Apple Butter Festival September 14-15 Set Up Friday Evening, September 13

Petchlada (Petch) Jansiriyotin Is In Town





Petchlada Jansiriyotin (call me Petch), a fourth year medical student in Thailand, arrived Sunday in Lubbock to study family medicine and infectious medicine at the Texas Tech University Health Science Center for a month. Petch is the niece of a Rotary friend of Noi (Benjaluck Aukarapasuchart) who headed the Thai Group Study Exchange team a couple years ago. She'll stay one week each with the Morrises, Smiths, Schwarzentraubs, and Brints.

SarahLee started her with a real, 14" diameter Texas-sized pancake at Egg and I.



Board Meeting – Tuesday, August 13 at 5:30 pm

All members are invited to sit in on meetings of the Metro Board of Directors on the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 13, at 5:30 pm at Craig Alley's office on the 5th floor of the Pyramid Building just west of the parking lot of the Holiday Inn where we meet each Friday morning.



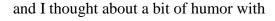
This Tuesday in addition to the usual organization matters of minutes, treasurer's report and the like, the main topics will be Apple Butter Festival planning and membership recruitment.

I don't think the meeting will be quite as raucous as this illustration, but remember "54-40 or Fight." Consistently for several years our membership has stood at about 45-50 but now we have 43 members.

To "rightsize" the club we need to aim to move our membership back to the 45-50 range and perhaps over 50. 54-40 or fight. Aim for 54; don't drop to 40.

All members attending the Board meet receive make-up credit for missing a regular meeting.

You've seen that I like to use images. When I Googled for "board," I expected







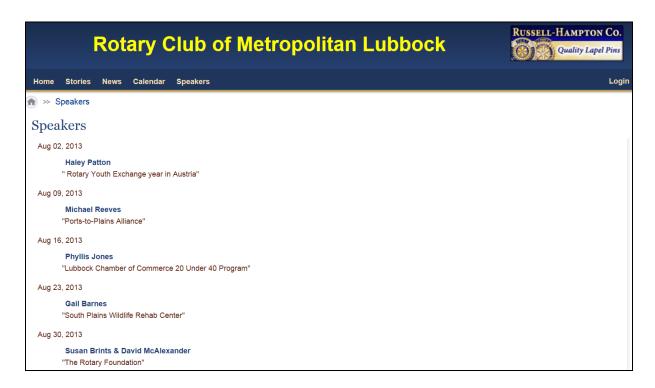
But I entirely forgot about



However you think about Board, come if you'd like. It took me a few years of Rotary membership before I figured out that the Board meetings are where much of the business of the club takes place, so indeed, please come.

Weekly Programs – Consult ClubRunner

Want to know about the upcoming programs that have been planned by President Elect SarahLee Morris and friends? Go to our club's ClubRunner homepage (http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx? accountid=9071) and click on Speakers to get to this screen.



Put Monday, August 26, on Your Calendar and Raise \$\$\$ for Metro's Charitable Projects



We can raise another \$1100 for Metro's charitable projects, by tasting beef on Monday evening, August 26. We'll need 22 for the 6-7 PM time slot and another 22 that evening at 7-8 PM at Cowamongus in the Animal Science Building on the Texas Tech campus just northwest of the USA – United Spirit Arena. For an hour's work, each of our 44 volunteers will earn \$25 toward Metro service projects and overall we'll add another \$1100 to our charitable projects budget.

Email Kim Martin at kmartin@ramarcom.com to volunteer.

Meals on Wheels Drivers

August 2

Craig Alley and Walter & Caryl Smith

August 9

Ken Clowes and SarahLee Morris

August 16

Open

August 23

Bonnie Schwarzentraub and a player to be named later.

August 30

SarahLee Morris and a player to be named later.

Thanks Ken Clowes for coordinating MoW for Metro.



Where's Waldo? Where's Ken?



The short answer is, "Ken's wherever Elyn is." She and Ken are traveling D5730 as a team. Here's Ken and Elyn's full schedule this week and next.

Monday	5	Sweetwater
Tuesday	6	Borger
Wednesday	7	Pampa
Thursday	8	Perryton
Friday	9	Shamrock

Monday	12	Greater SW Lubbock
Tuesday	13	Levelland Noon
Wednesday	14	Floydata
Thursday	15	Littlefield
Friday	16	Levelland Breakfast

Happy August Birthdays and Anniversaries to:



Birthdays

8/07 Mason, Greg

8/08 McAlexander, David

8/10 Key, John

8/14 Chalmers, Doug

8/22 Schwarzentraub, Paul (Bonnie's husband)

Anniversaries

8/21 McCloud, Bobby & Amber

Seen at the Harwell August 1 Social























Rotary Club Presidents

How many former Rotary club presidents are depicted on the preceding page? Answer on Friday.

a. 6

b. 7

c. 8

d. 9

Cartoon of the Week

Do only teachers appreciate this cartoon?



This One Took Me A Couple Seconds; Hey, Cal, Have I Found One Yet For You?

Two snails went to an auto race. There were twenty six cars, so instead of numbers the cars were identified by letters from A to Z. As the race started, the S car quickly sped away from the trailing pack of cars. Seeing this, the one snail said to the other, "Hey, look at that S car go!"