



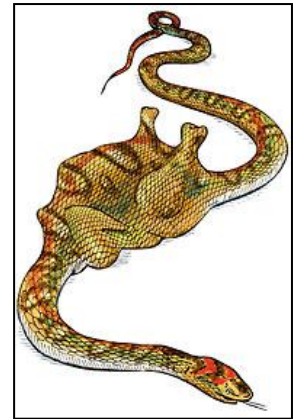
Metro Banner

Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary

District 5730 -- December 3, 2013

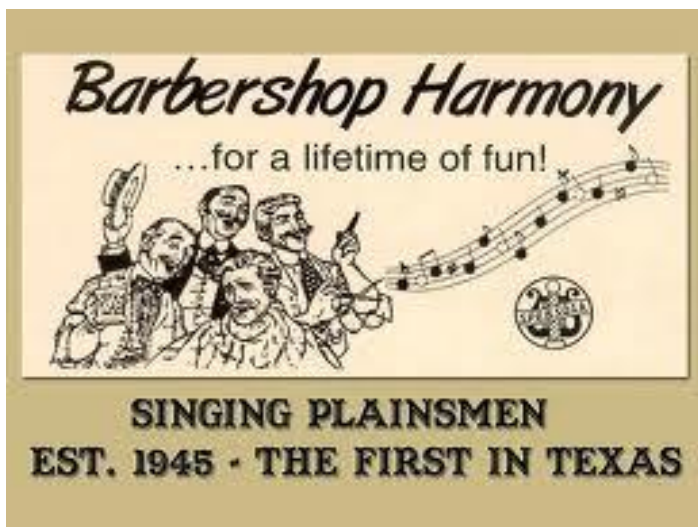
We Hope You Had a Wonderful Thanksgiving

And you didn't overeat and end up feeling like this poor pussycat. Or gorge yourself like the snake.



Rotary Readers – Thursday, December 5

7:00AM-7:45AM at DUPRE SCHOOL – 21st AND AVE T



Friday, December 6, Meeting

Let the Singing Plainsmen get you in the Christmas spirit with "Holiday Music, Barbershop Quartet-Style."

December 20th – Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Please sign up for one of the remaining shifts to ring bells for the Salvation Army on Friday, December 20, from 10 am to 6 pm at Hobby Lobby.

Here are the names of Metro members who have already signed up. SarahLee Morris will be there all day.

To volunteer, email Brian Murry at bmurry@lubbocknational.com.



Time	Ringer #1	Ringer #2
10-11 AM		
11 AM to Noon	Dennis Reeves	Cal Brints
Noon to 1 PM	Phil Houchin	Susan Wierzba & Kim Martin
1-2 PM	Bonnie Schwarzentraub Susan Brints	Elyn Patterson
2-3 PM	Matt Smith	Ken Patterson
3-4 PM		
4-5 PM	Jerry Price	John Nelson
5-6 PM	Caryl Smith	Walter Smith

How to Propose a New Member

1. Talk with someone you'd like to invite to join Metro.
2. When he or she expresses an interest, fill out Part A of the "Membership Proposal Form" found at http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/254en.pdf. It's only a couple questions long.
3. Give the completed form to Linda McMurry, Metro's Secretary.

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4. After the Metro Board approves the proposed member, the Board will arrange to talk with the proposed member about membership in the club and ask her or him to fill out Part B of the "Membership Proposal Form."
5. Information about the proposed member will be published to club members; and if no objections are raised, after seven days the proposed member will become a member of Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary and the club secretary will report their membership to Rotary International.
6. The club president will arrange a formal induction ASAP at a club meeting.

Mark Your Calendars

ROTARY READERS DATES

DUPRE SCHOOL – 21ST AND AVE T
7:00AM-7:45AM

2013:	2014:			
December 5 th	January 16 th	March 6 th	May 8 th	
	February 6 th	April 10 th		



Happy December Birthdays and Anniversaries:



Birthdays:

Alley, Craig	Dec 22
Cooper, Travis	Dec 24
Guinn, Brent	Dec 24
Martin, Kim	Dec 27
Reeves, Dennis	Dec 30
Morris, Bill	Dec 31

Anniversaries:

Mason, Greg and Areace	Dec 09
Patterson, Elyn and Ken	Dec 28

No Meeting, Friday, December 27

We'll not meet between Christmas and New Year's Day.



Weekly Programs – Consult ClubRunner

Want to know what upcoming programs 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.

Dec 13, 2013

Joe Esposito

"TTU Men's Basketball"

Dec 20, 2013

White Elephant Gift Exchange

"Holiday Fun Party!"

Prominent Rotarians



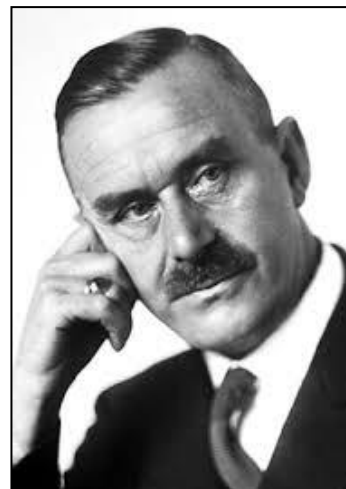
Douglas MacArthur

Five Star Army General, USA

Rotary Clubs of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Melbourne, Australia, Tokyo, Japan and Manila, Philippines

Thomas Mann

Novelist and 1929 Nobel Prize Laureate in Literature, Germany
Rotary Club of Munich



Caryl's Questions: Read On For The Answers

(Caryl's College of Useless Knowledge)

When and where was the first decorated Christmas tree?

Who came up with the idea of using electric lights for Christmas trees?
And when did this happen?

Who was the first president to have a Christmas tree in the White House? When did that occur?

Which president started the National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on the White House lawn and when did the ceremony start?

See answers on page 6.

Cartoon for the Season



Answers to Caryl's Questions

The first decorated Christmas tree was in Riga, Latvia, in 1510.

Thomas Edison's assistant, Edward Johnson, came up with the idea of electric lights for Christmas trees in 1882. Christmas tree lights were first mass-produced in 1890.

In 1856 Franklin Pierce, the 14th President of the United States, was the first President to place a Christmas tree in the White House.

President Coolidge started the National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on the White House lawn in 1923.

For Christmas

This story is 25-30 years old.

A Russian couple was walking down the street in St. Petersburg the other night, when the man felt a drop hit his nose. "I think it's raining," he said to his wife.

"No, that felt more like snow to me," she replied. "No, I'm sure it was just rain, he said." Well, as these things go, they were about to have a major argument about whether it was raining or snowing. Just then they saw a minor communist party official walking toward them. "Let's not fight about it," the man said, "let's ask Comrade Rudolph whether it's officially raining or snowing."

As the official approached, the man said, "Tell us, Comrade Rudolph, is it officially raining or snowing?"

"It's raining, of course," he answered and walked on. But the woman insisted: "I know that felt like snow!" To which the man quietly replied:

"Rudolph the Red knows rain, dear!"

