



# Metro Banner

**Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary**

**District 5730 -- January 21, 2014**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> –**

## **Brandale Randolph on "Project: Poverty"**

Project Poverty's mission, according to their website (<http://www.projectpovertyonline.org/Our-Story.html>): "Affecting poverty because poverty affects us all," is not just our mantra, but the core of our mission. The mission behind every poverty reduction program, homeless initiative, book that we publish and financial literacy class that we teach is to affect poverty in ways that resonate across societies beyond just impoverished communities. Project: Poverty is a non-profit organization that aims to design, create and implement innovative strategies and plans to reduce poverty. Through our consulting work, financial literacy classes and poverty research we plan to affect poverty on a national level and uncover poverty even where it is hidden from view."

**January 17<sup>th</sup> – Rotary Projects:**

## **Malawi and Brazil**

The January 17 program was presented by Bill Morris and Susan Brints. Bill talked about his trip to Sorriso, Brazil, where he met with the Rotary club there and worked with them on education programs. He showed pictures of the meetings. Susan discussed her visit to Malawi on the east coast of Africa. She worked with Rotary there on a teaching grant, their textile center and Circle of Hope. Her pictures were of the village, the children and the people she worked with.

President-Elect SarahLee Morris orchestrated the meeting while President Walter Smith attended a professional conference with his students.

*Thanks to Jim Graves for reporting about the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and to Dennis Reeves for his pictures.*



## Paul Harris Award

On January 10<sup>th</sup>, Foundation Chair David McAlexander along with District Governor Ken Patterson presented Travis Cooper with his Paul Harris award for Travis's support of the Rotary Foundation.



## Future Meetings

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.



Jan 31, 2014

**Ambassador Tibor Nagy**

"Annual "State of the World" Assessment"

Feb 07, 2014

**Kim Davis, Community Relations Director**

"MOSAIC of Lubbock"

Feb 14, 2014

**Singing Plainsmen Quartet**

"Valentine Music"

Feb 28, 2014

**Christy Reeves**

"Wellness Today"

Mar 07, 2014

**Dr. David Vronland**

"Superintendent, Frenship ISD on school bond issue"

Mar 14, 2014

**Myron Hargrove or other representative**

"South Plains Honor Flight"

Mar 21, 2014

**Chris Atkinson, LCDC**

"Community Recovery Center in Post, TX"

# Happy January Birthdays and Anniversaries:

## Birthdays:

Patterson, Ken	Jan 3
McMurry, Linda	Jan 19
Price, Jerry	Jan 20
Murry, Brian	Jan 28



## Spouse Birthdays:

Flynt, Jack (Elaine's husband)	Jan 6
Murry, Andrea (Brian's wife)	Jan 7

## Prominent Rotarians



### **Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh**

Rotary Club of Edinburgh, Scotland  
Rotary Clubs of King's Lynn and Windsor & Eton,  
England



### **Leopoldo Pirelli**

President, Pirelli Tire Co., Italy  
Rotary Club of Milano

## Meals on Wheels Drivers

Jan. 24 Dennis Reeves and Matt Smith.  
 Jan. 31 Matt Smith and SarahLee Morris  
 Feb. 7 Two to be named later.  
 Feb. 14 Dennis Reeves and to be named later.  
 Feb. 21 Kirk Thomas and Matt Smith.  
 Feb. 28 Matt Smith and SarahLee Morris.



Thanks, Ken Clowes for organizing our Meals on Wheels.

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## Caryl's College of Useless Knowledge

Preparing for the Super Bowl . . . .

Which distance is greater, the length or circumference of an American football?

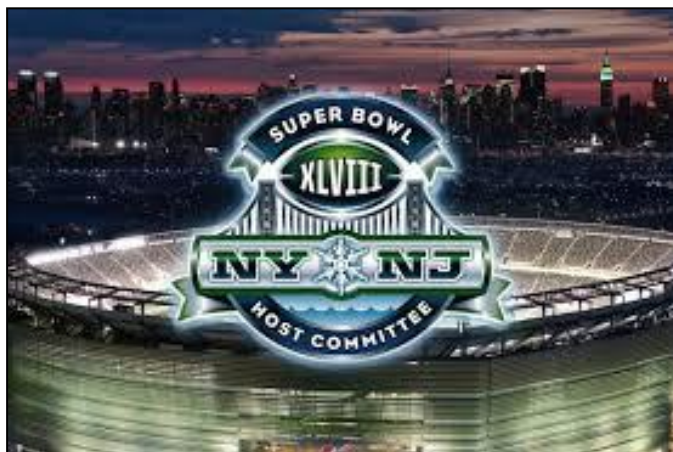
Which reminds me . . . if you could stack three tennis balls, as if they were in a can, is the distance around each ball or the distance from the top to the bottom of the stack greater?

Back to football – American football, how many referees are on the field in an NFL football game?

How much are the referees paid for working the Super Bowl?

Who won the Super Bowl the year Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary was chartered?

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## Answers to Caryl's Questions

The NFL football has a circumference of 22 inches in the middle and a length of 11 inches, so it's twice as far around the football as from one end to the other.

Remember the circumference of a sphere is Pi times the diameter and  $\text{Pi} = 3.14$  etc., so the circumference of the stack of tennis balls is 3.14 times the diameter of a ball. The distance from the top of the stack of three balls to the bottom is three times the diameter of one ball. Since 3.14 is larger than 3, the distance around the balls is greater than the distance from top to bottom of the stack.

These two questions deal with an optical illusion. It's very hard for our brain to process the distance around objects. Twenty-two inches, the circumference of the American football, is two-thirds of a yard. That fact is hard for us to believe.

The NFL puts seven referees on the field: the referee, umpire, head linesman, field judge, line judge, side judge, and back judge. The referee is in charge of the crew and wears a white hat to designate his role.

The referees that work during the Super Bowl game usually make around \$20,000 to \$25,000 for that one game, on top of their normal, annual salary.

Who won the Super Bowl in 1985 depends on your perspective. The 1985 NFL season lead to Super Bowl XX, which was played on January 26, 1986, between the Chicago Bears and New England Patriots. Mike Ditka's Bears defeated the Patriots by the score of 46–10. On the other hand, Super Bowl XIX pitted the Miami Dolphins against the San Francisco 49ers on January 20, 1985, following the 1984 season, and was won by the 49ers, 38–16.

## The Iconic Football Cartoon Image

You know what's coming next week.  
And so does Charlie, but he'll give it a try.



## Football Humor from Reader's Digest

**Petty Theft** Football players at the high school where I worked were stealing the practice jerseys, so the coach ordered a set with "Property of Central High School" emblazoned on them. When the thefts continued, he ordered a new batch that had the imprint "Stolen from Central High School." But the jerseys still kept disappearing. The larceny finally stopped after he changed the wording to "Central High School 4th String." – Hal Olsen

**Sports and Poetry** The college football player knew his way around the locker room better than he did the library. So when my husband's co-worker saw the gridiron star roaming the stacks looking confused, she asked how she could help.

"I have to read a play by Shakespeare," he said.

"Which one?" she asked.

He scanned the shelves and answered, "William." – Sandra J. Yarbrough

**Praying for Overtime** My husband, a big-time sports fan, was watching a football game with our grandchildren. He had just turned 75 and was feeling a little wistful. "You know," he said to our grandson, Nick, "it's not easy getting old. I guess I'm in the fourth quarter now."

"Don't worry, Grandpa," Nick said cheerily. "Maybe you'll go into overtime." – Evelyn Bredleau

**Calling the Coach** As a high school football coach, I'm aware that student athletes tend to focus too much on sports. A fellow coach, Bob, was talking about one such player, who called him at home one night. When his wife informed the kid that Bob wasn't home, he became frantic and said he had to speak to the coach right away. "Just calm down, and I'll have him call you as soon as he gets home." The coach's wife told him. "What's your number?"

The flustered kid replied, "Three." – Allan Floyd

**Mum's the Word** My neighbor, Terry, a former high-school halfback, came home from combat duty in Afghanistan. He was excited to tell me that his unit had played a makeshift game of football. "Just don't tell my mom," he begged. "If she knew I was playing football she'd worry that I might reinjure my knee." – Mike Callison

**Unconscious** Standing on the sidelines, during a game being played by my school's football team, I saw one of the players take a hard hit. He tumbled to the ground and didn't move.

We grabbed our first-aid gear and rushed out onto the field. The coach picked up the young man's hand and urged, "Son, can you hear me? Squeeze once for yes and twice for no." – Richard Corbin

From Reader's Digest (<http://www.rd.com/jokes/funny/sports/our-15-favorite-football-jokes/>)