



Metro Banner

Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary

District 5730 -- January 7, 2014

January 10th – Club Assembly

On Friday we'll hold a club assembly that will address where we are as a club as we start the 2014 calendar year and some issues we'll need to address. Please plan to attend. I don't want to be melodramatic, but some big issues face us.



December 20th White Elephant Gifts – What Fun!



Everyone received hilarious White Elephant gifts at the club's December 20 Christmas celebration as part of the regular club meeting.

Here Jim Graves models his pharaoh headgear, Past President David McAlexander is crowned by a Bah Humbug dunce's cap that is definitely out of personality, and President Walter Smith shows off the latest in witchcraft. Thanks to President-Elect SarahLee Morris for organizing the event and to club members for their great gifts.

Thanks to Susan Brints for the White Elephant pictures.

January 3rd –

Melanie and Kirk Pittman Classification Talks



On Friday, January 3rd, the program at Lubbock Metropolitan Rotary was provided by Kirk and Melanie Pittman who gave classification talks. Kirk talked about his work at Bar-S Foods where he markets processed meats. He went to Lubbock High School and graduated from Texas Tech before working in the hospitality area and joining Bar-S Foods. He also prepares Bar B Q and competes in cook-offs. He placed 5th out of several hundred entrants at Kansas City world championship cook-off last year. Melanie went to Monterrey High School and also graduated from Texas Tech. She is employed by “It Works

Global” working with “skinny wrap” after working for an adoption agency revamping their web site. Kirk teaches courses in Bar B Q and Melanie teaches camera classes.

Thanks to Jim Graves for reporting on the January 3rd program.

Paul Harris Awards



On January 3rd, Foundation Chair David McAlexander presented Kirk Thomas with his Paul Harris Plus One award for Kirk's continuing support of the Rotary Foundation.

John Nelson, along with his wife Caryl Ann, honored Kaylynn Fuhrman, daughter of Ken and Elyn Patterson, pictured here with her son Conner, for all of her services including numerous services on behalf of Metro Lubbock Rotary.



Thanks to Dennis Reeves for pictures on this page and of Ken Patterson on page 4.

December 20th Jolly Metro Bell Ringers for Salvation Army



Other Metro Ringers Not Pictured:

Brian Murry
Phil Houchin
Dennis Reeves
Cal Brints
Ken Clowes
Jerry Price
Caryl Smith
Walter Smith

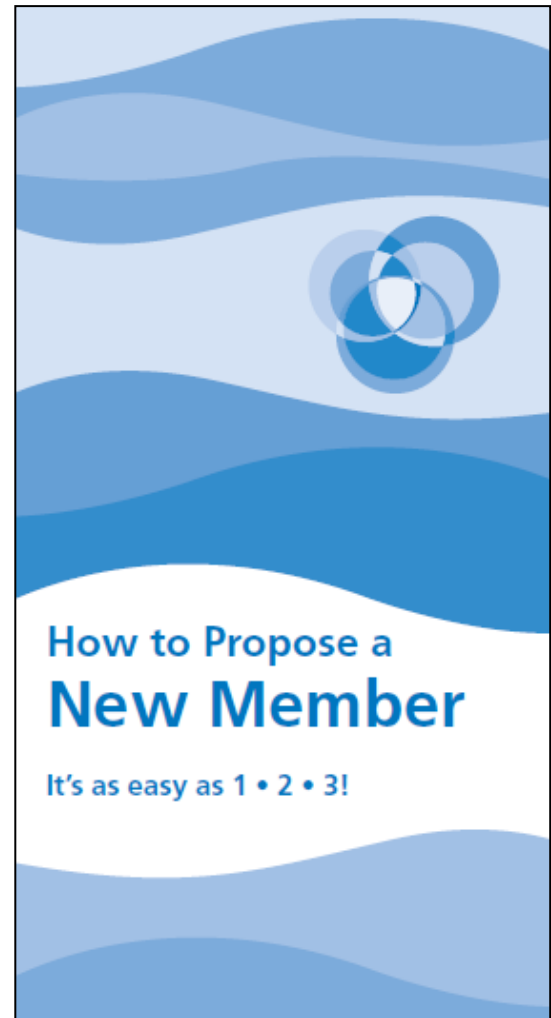


More Jollies Bundled, but Smiling



How to Propose a New Member

1. Talk with someone you'd like to invite to join Metro. Let them know about expectations of attendance at all but at least half of the club meetings, initiation fee of \$50, and quarterly dues and meals of \$180.
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 (shown to the right). It's only a couple questions long.
3. Give the completed form to Linda McMurry, Metro's Secretary.
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

2014:

January 16th
February 6th

March 6th
April 10th

May 8th



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.



How many men and women are members of Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary?

Jan 17, 2014

Susan Elizabeth Brints
"Malawi: Grace Center and Rotary Grants"

Jan 24, 2014

Brandale Randolph
"Project: Poverty"

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 Vroonland
"Superintendent, Frenship ISD on school bond issue"

Happy Birthday, District Governor Ken Patterson

DG Ken Patterson was presented a birthday cake at the Friday, January 3, club meeting to mark the (*it's a secret*) anniversary of his birth.



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

Norman Vincent Peale
Clergyman and author, USA
Rotary Club of New York, New York



Lester Pearson
Canadian prime minister
President of the United Nations General Assembly
and Nobel Prize laureate in peace, Canada
Rotary Club of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

Meals on Wheels Drivers

Jan. 10 Caryl and Walter Smith and Ken Clowes
 Jan. 17 Dennis Reeves and a player to be named later.

Thanks, Ken Clowes for organizing our Meals on Wheels.



Caryl's College of Useless Knowledge

What proportion of the Earth's surface is owned by the queen of England?

How many hearts does an octopus have? And while you're at it, how many arms does an octopus have?

We hope this one isn't too racy, but it's too interesting to leave out . . . how many vaginas does a kangaroo have?

Over all the years of human existence, what percent of humans has not lived to celebrate their first birthday?

Answers on Page 9.

New Year's Cartoon

Bill Watterson, Calvin and Hobbes creator, is from Chagrin Falls, Ohio, the town next to the town where the Banner editor attended high school. We hated Shaggy Falls, so there's some irony that Calvin and Hobbes are favorites.



Answers to Caryl's Questions

The Queen of England is the legal owner of one-sixth of the Earth's land surface.

Octopuses have three hearts and kangaroos have three vaginas. Oh, yes, an octopus has six arms. The other two are legs.

Forty percent of humans have not lived to their first birthday.

Caryl has a new book, 1227 Quite Interesting Facts to Blow Your Socks Off by Lloyd, Mitchinson and Harkin, whose job it is to come up with interesting facts for a British TV game show. With 1227 facts to choose from, this column should last the year . . . and we assume the authors know what they're talking about when it comes to Queen Elizabeth, octopuses, kangaroos and the human race. . . . and future topics.



A Joke for Winter Weather

The Indians asked their Chief in Autumn if the Winter was going to be cold.

Not really knowing an answer, the chief replies that the Winter was going to be cold and that the members of the village were to collect wood to be prepared.

Being a good leader, he then got on his cell phone and called the National Weather Service and asked, "Is this winter going to be cold?"

The man on the phone responded, "This Winter is going to be quite cold indeed."

So the Chief went back to speed up his people to collect even more wood to be prepared. A week later he called the National Weather Service again, "Is it going to be a very cold winter?"

"Yes", the man replied, "it's going to be a very cold Winter."

So the Chief goes back to his people and orders them to go and find every scrap of wood they can find.

Two weeks later he calls the National Weather Service again: "Are you absolutely sure the Winter is going to be very cold?"

"Absolutely," the man replies, "the Indians are collecting wood like crazy!"

For Your Holiday Party, Play **Name That (Christmas) Carol/Song**

Based on these clues, name the well-known Christmas carol or song. Since no one came forth with the answers, we'll leave this in one more time. To get you started, one answer is shown in red font.

1. Bleached Yule
2. Castaneous-colored Seed Vesicated in a Conflagration
3. Singular Yearning for the Twin Anterior Incisors – *All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth.*
4. Righteous Darkness
5. Arrival Time 2400 hrs – Weather Cloudless
6. Loyal Followers Advance
7. Far off in a Feeder
8. Array the Corridor
9. Bantam Male Percussionist
10. Monarchial Triad
11. Nocturnal Noiselessness
12. Jehovah Deactive Blithe Chevaliers
13. Red Man En Route to Borough
14. Frozen Precipitation Commence
15. Proceed and Enlighten on the Pinnacle
16. The Quadruped with the Vermillion Proboscis
17. Query Regarding Identity of Descendant
18. Delight for the Planet
19. Given Attention to the Melodious Celestial Beings
20. The Dozen Festive 24 Hour Intervals

The Banner Editor knows only a few answers; so please use ClubRunner to email the answers to everyone when you've figured out all twenty.

