

Metro Banner

Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary District 5730 -- June 3, 2014

Friday, June 6th – Ron Kendall Impact of Oil on Lubbock and the Surroundings



Dr. Ron Kendall, our Friday speaker, received his bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina, master's from Clemson University and doctorate from Virginia Tech, followed by post-doctoral work at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. After positions at Washington State University and Virginia Tech, in 1997 he joined the Texas Tech faculty and immediately founded and directed the Institute of Environmental and Human Health. He is a Professor of Environmental Toxicology and currently serves as a special assistant to the president at Texas Tech.

He has authored over 200 books and journal articles and received over \$51 million in research grants.

Friday, May 30th – Gerald Dolter, Director of TTU Music Theatre

Gerald (Jerry) Dolter gave us a wonderful program Friday telling us about the Lubbock Moonlight Musicals and their schedule of three outstanding musicals this summer, renovations in the Wells Fargo Amphitheater, the Dinner Theatre, the Lubbock Moonlight Arts Academy, their classes and the successes of some of the famous graduates of the Vocal Division of the Arts College. The shows this summer include Oliver, South Pacific and Titanic, the Musical. They will insure that all shows are

acceptable for children. The Lubbock Moonlight Arts Academy teaches classes ranging from acting to photography to Broadway singing for children from age five to adults of all ages. Dolter also talked about some of the many outstanding vocalists that he taught, including David Gaschen, internationally renowned vocalist and stage performer. Many of their performances have been compared favorably to Broadway musicals. Their budget has increased from fifty thousand dollars in 2006 to almost three quarter of a million dollars last year. They have also increased capital improvements and received major grants. Dolter is trying to get a first class rehearsal facility and has arranged



Broadway musicals to come here including Cats, Chicago, Beauty and the Beast, Mary Poppins, Miss Saigon and others. Those shows bring major income to Lubbock since they sell out all performances.

Thanks to Jim Graves for reporting on our speakers.

Installation Dinner – Thursday, June 26th Deadline to Sign Up – Friday, June 20th

At the next club meeting sign up for the Metro Installation Dinner at 6:30 pm on Thursday, June 26, at the Texas Tech Club (east side of the stadium) or email walter.smith@ttu.edu. Members free; spouses \$35 (billed to your July 1 statement). Cash bar opens at 6 pm for those who arrive early. TexMex dinner at 7 pm. Celebrate 2013-14 and install new officers for 2014-15. No club meeting on Friday morning, June 27.

Happy June Birthday and Anniversaries:

Spouse Birthday:

Mike McMurry June 9

Anniversaries

Dennis Reeves	June 12
Brent Guinn	June 18
Ken Clowes	June 21
Bill Evans	June 21
Andy Penney	June 23



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 (www.metrolubbockrotary.org) and click on Speakers to get to the screen to the right.



Jun 13, 2014

Brad Moran, RAMAR Communications "The Broadcast Industry on the South Plains"

Jun 20, 2014

Jennifer Hughes, TTU "University Accountability in the Current Climate"

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Caryl's College of Useless Knowledge

No theme. Just ideas that came to mind. Caution: some answers might even be useful.

- 1. When were batting helmets first required in Major League Baseball?
- 2. Where does Lubbock fall on the list of U.S. cities by population?
- 3. If Lubbock were a state capital, where would it fall on the list of state capitals in terms of population?
- 4. Who was the 11th president of the United States?



- 6. How many ships named the USS Texas has the U.S. had? Is there a USS Texas in commission now?
- 7. What are the top selling cars worldwide?

Next Board Meeting: June 10



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Answers on page 5.

Recruit New Rotarians – Send Them to www.westtexasrotary.org To Learn About Rotary

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How to Propose a New Member

- 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.
- When he or she expresses an interest, fill out Part A of the "Membership Proposal Form" found at <u>http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/254en.pdf</u> (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.



- 1. Batting helmets have been mandatory for MLB players since 1956; and anyone reaching the bigleagues after 1983 must wear a helmet with an ear flap. Minor League players must wear flaps that cover both ears.
- 2. According to Citytoplists (http://www.city-data.com/top1.html), Lubbock is 87th largest U.S. city right behind Orlando, Florida, at 86th and just ahead of Garland at 88th. Did you hear Gerald Dolter say last week maybe it was after the meeting that some folks are predicting Lubbock

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will be at 450,000 in twenty years! If the other cities stay steady – an unlikely proposition, Lubbock will be the 38th largest city in the U.S. right ahead of Cleveland and right behind New Orleans. Ohmygosh!

3. Lubbock would be fighting Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to be the 16th largest state capital.

Arizona	Phoenix	1,445,632	Oregon	Salem	154,637
Texas	Austin	842,592	South Carolina	Columbia	131,686
Indiana	Indianapolis	829,718	Kansas	Topeka	127,473
Ohio	Columbus	787,033	Connecticut	Hartford	124,512
Tennessee	Nashville	635,710	Illinois	Springfield	116,250
Massachusetts	Boston	617,594	Michigan	Lansing	114,297
Colorado	Denver	600,158	New York	Albany	97,856
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	580,000	New Jersey	Trenton	84,913
California	Sacramento	466,488	New Mexico	Santa Fe	75,764
Georgia	Atlanta	420,003	North Dakota	Bismarck	61,272
North Carolina	Raleigh	403,892	Wyoming	Cheyenne	59,466
Hawaii	Honolulu	337,256	Nevada	Carson City	55,274
Minnesota	Saint Paul	285,068	West Virginia	Charleston	51,400
Nebraska	Lincoln	258,379	Pennsylvania	Harrisburg	49,528
Wisconsin	Madison	233,209	Washington	Olympia	46,478
Louisiana	Baton Rouge	229,553	Missouri	Jefferson City	43,079
Alabama	Montgomery	205,764	New Hampshire	Concord	42,695
Idaho	Boise	205,671	Maryland	Annapolis	38,394
Virginia	Richmond	204,214	Delaware	Dover	36,047
Iowa	Des Moines	203,433	Alaska	Juneau	31,275
Arkansas	Little Rock	193,524	Montana	Helena	28,190
Utah	Salt Lake City	186,440	Kentucky	Frankfort	25,527
Florida	Tallahassee	181,412	Maine	Augusta	19,136
Rhode Island	Providence	178,042	South Dakota	Pierre	13,646
Mississippi	Jackson	173,514	Vermont	Montpelier	7,855

4. James K. Polk from Tennessee was the 11th president of the United States from 1845 to 1849, during which time Texas joined the Union. He was the second president to meet the natural born requirement of Article Two of the Constitution: "No Person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States."

5. Margarine was originally created from beef tallow and skimmed milk in 1869 in France by Hippolyte Mège-Mouriès. Legalization of the sale of margarine,



also known as oleo or oleomargarine, is not exactly the issue; but the dairy industry certainly tried to restrict margarine's sale through taxes or labeling laws. In 1877 New York became the first US state to attempt legal restriction of the sale of oleomargarine through compulsory labeling. Laws intended to restrict margarine's sale are still on the books in some state, according to Wikipedia, but are largely unenforced. When Caryl and I

were kids in Ohio, oleo was white when purchased; but there was a pill in the bag we kneaded into the margarine to make it yellow. The dairy folks wanted to be sure we knew it wasn't butter.

- 6. The U.S. Navy has had four USS Texases, according to Wikipedia.
 - USS Texas was a pre-dreadnought battleship that was in commission from 1895 through 1911.
 - USS Texas (BB-35) was a New York-class dreadnought battleship that was in commission from 1914 through 1948. In 1948, she was decommissioned and immediately became a memorial ship near Houston.
 - USS Texas (CGN-39) was in commission from 1977 through 1993. She was the second Virginia-class nuclear-powered guided-missile cruiser.
 - USS Texas (SSN-775) was commissioned in September 2006, and she is in active service in the U.S. Navy. She is the second nuclear submarine of the Virginia class.
- 7. America has the top selling car worldwide and two of the top five, according to Rediff Business (http://www.rediff.com/business/slide-show/slide-show-1-auto-10-best-selling-cars-in-the-world-this-year/20131231.htm#6).

		Units Sold in 2013
1	Ford Focus	1.1 million
2	Toyota Corolla	1.01 million
3	Volkswagen Jetta	905,869
4	Hyundai Elantra	866,000
5	Chevrolet Cruze	729,000



Rotary News from Sydney

Googling for news about the Sydney Rotary International Conference, I couldn't find any news about the conference, but I did find this story in "The Sydney Morning Herald" about an Aussie member of parliament who may lose his Rotary membership, if the investigation of him by parliament turns out badly. Rotary is a big deal in Australia. I frequently listen via computer to "Australia All Over," a long standing Sunday

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morning ABC (Australian Broadcasting Corporation) show beamed out from all major Aussie cities. I'm told that 15-20% of Aussie households tune in to hear Macca on "Australia All Over," a combination of folk songs and talk radio. Quite frequently AAO has news that involves a Rotary club. In any event, here's what the "Sydney Morning Herald" had to say about the parliamentary scandal and Rotary membership:

"Reputation and a distinguished parliamentary post are not the only things Chris Hartcher stands to lose if this month's corruption inquiry ends badly for him.

The Terrigal Rotary Club, perturbed by allegations of donation laundering leveled against their local MP, could take his standing to a new low by terminating his honorary membership.

"There's been a bit of talk ... if he's guilty, what do we do?" club member Tom Woods said.

"I don't think anyone is guilty until they are proven guilty. [But] my personal view is he couldn't be an honorary member of the [Terrigal Rotary] club, if he wasn't honorable enough to be in Parliament."



But R.I. Had Some News About Sydney

During Friday's world record-breaking Sydney Harbour bridge climb, Rotary members raised enough money to protect 240,000 kids from polio.

Despite the physically grueling four-hour trek up and down the bridge's storied steel arches, the 340



participants kept their good spirits and stood side-by-side waving 278 flags.

"When the helicopters were going around, you just felt like one great big nation," says Graeme Davies, district governor of the Rotary Club of Kincumber in Australia.

The massive turnout eclipsed Oprah Winfrey's world-record climb in 2011 when she summited the bridge alongside 315 of her most ardent fans. But for Rotary members, the record paled in comparison to the experience and the opportunity to take a step closer to ending polio forever. The event raised 110,000 Australian dollars (US\$102,300).

"It made me even prouder to be a Rotarian," said John Avakian from Healdsburg, California, USA. "It was an incredible experience of tremendous camaraderie." No news about whether any of our mighty seven climbed the bridge.

Maxine's Outlook on Life

Maxine is too much fun to overlook. Here's some more. Thanks, Jim Graves, for sending her our way. I hope it's not just Jim and I who crack up over Maxine's cabbiness.

