

Metro Banner

Metropolitan Lubbock Rotary District 5730 -- March 18, 2014

Needed: One More Youth Exchange Host Please Consider a Life Changing Opportunity



Do you have an extra bedroom and a desire to host a high school student from another country? Or before you jump in, do you want to hear about what's involved in hosting a Rotary Youth Exchange student?

We have hosts lined up for the second and third third of the 2014-15 school year but need a host for the first third starting in August.

For more information, talk with Susan Wierzba, Susan or Cal Brints, SarahLee or Bill Morris, Bonnie or Paul Schwarzentraub, or Elyn or Ken Patterson. They can give you the scoop.

Metro has been a great RYE leader over the years. Your help is needed so we can regain our heritage.

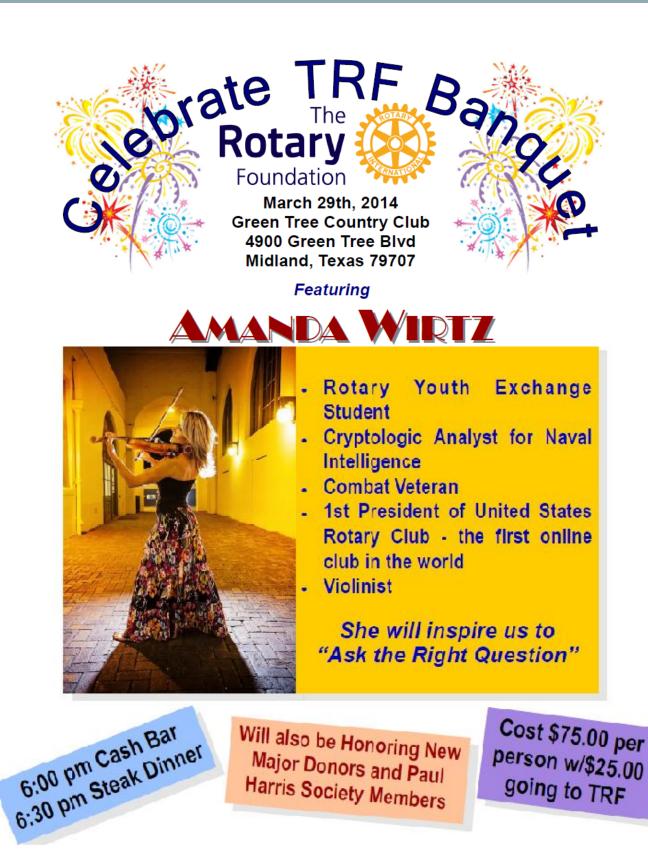
Friday, March 21st – Chris Atkinson, LCDC

Chris Atkinson is a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor working in the state of Texas for over the past 20 years. He is familiar with a diverse range of treatment modalities as he has worked in Residential Treatment, Adult Outpatient Programs, Adolescent Outpatient Programs, and Supportive Residential Treatment Centers.

District Conference – May 2-4

Hold these dates, especially Friday, May 2, when there will be no Metro meeting in the morning. Instead, we will meet as part of the district luncheon that day. Please attend as much as you can so Metro can support DG Ken Patterson. And watch for volunteer opportunities.





To register go to www.rotary5730.org. Once on the main page go to the column District Events and click on Come Celebrate TRF (The Rotary Foundation).

Metro's Now a Friday Morning and Monday Evening Club

Invite prospective members to go to the Atrium of the Holiday Inn on the South Loop on Mondays at 5:15-6:30 pm to hear about Metro's Monday group.

Details about the Monday Metro group appear later in this Banner.

Friday, March 14th – South Plains Honor Flight



The program Friday morning was given by Myron Hargrove and Howard Mercer about the South Plains Honor Flights to Washington, DC to honor WWII Veterans. After we saw a video of veterans at the WWII Memorial and other sites in Washington, Myron told us how this program started and what the requirements were to go on these flights. Howard added information about his trip and what an impression it had on him. He encouraged us to find other veterans and encourage

them to investigate the Honor Flights. You can find out more about the South Plains Honor Flights on the website: www.southplainshonorflight.org.

Thanks to Jim Graves for reporting about our speakers.



Happy March Birthdays:

Spouse Birthdays:

Susan McAlexander

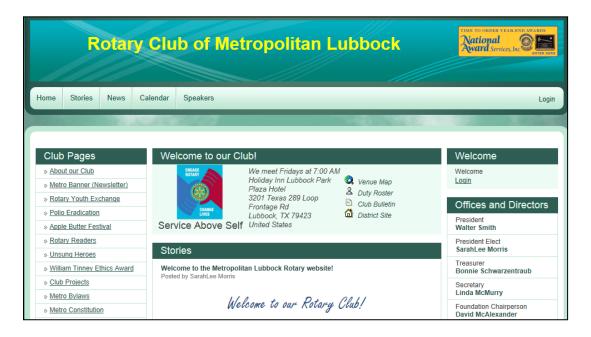
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Member Birthdays:

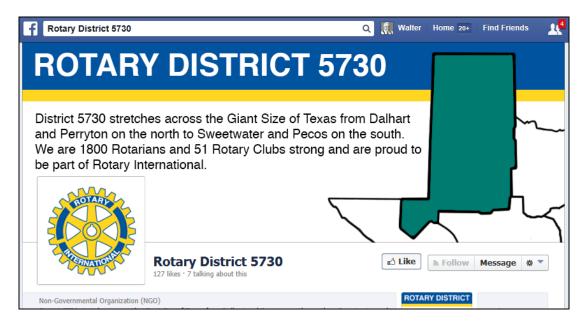
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Easy as Pie; Just Go To metrolubbockrotary.org

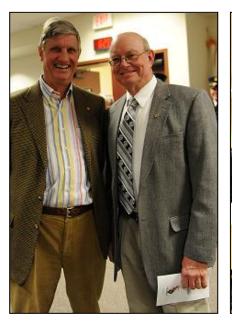
And you'll be automatically directed to our Clubrunner website:



And District 5730 is on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/WestTexasRotary



More Memories of Unsung Heroes















Thanks to Melanie Pittman for great photos.

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Mark Your Calendars Last Two Rotary Reader Dates

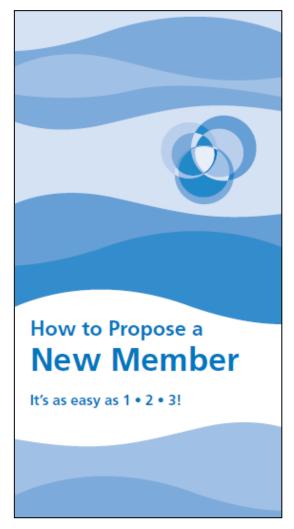
DUPRE SCHOOL – 21st AND AVE T 7:00AM-7:45AM

April 10th

May 8th

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

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.





Caryl's College of Useless Knowledge

Since you've just celebrated St. Patrick's Day, Caryl's sure you are ready for these questions. If not, pour another mug of green beer and work on this week's useless information.

- 1. Was St. Patrick Irish by birth?
- When and where was St. Patrick born? (We know where he was born and we're pretty sure – I don't know how – that he died on March 17; but we don't know for sure whether he died in Ireland or elsewhere.)



3. When was St. Patrick's Day first celebrated in America?

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Passing of Angeles Barranda, Former Metro Member

Angeles Jun Gatbonton Barranda, Jr., 74, passed away Wednesday, March 12. Mass and services for him were held on Saturday, March 15, 2014, at Christ the King Cathedral where he played several roles including serving as a member of their Board of Education.





Angeles was eulogized by his daughter, Esther Barranda Ngo, who brought joy to the proceedings by pulling out her smart

phone and taking several pictures of the congregation as her dad had done so many times.

Jun was born Oct. 7, 1939, in Candaba, Pampanga, Philippines, to Angeles (Sr.) and Beatriz Barranda. He received his Masters of Business Administration from Pace University in New York. His business background and leadership abilities helped him as an administrator in the health and education fields and as a recruiter.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Dr. Natividad Barranda of Ohio. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Dr. Resurreccion deLara Barranda of Lubbock; one daughter, Esther Barranda Ngo and husband Phuong Ngo of McKinney; one son, Anthony Barranda of Los Angeles; one brother, Robinson Barranda and wife Elma Barranda of New York City; three sisters, Cresenciana Barranda Gacusan and husband Honesto Gacusan of Marysville, Ohio, Dr. Erlinda Barranda of Marion, Ohio, and Evaneline Barranda Roeber and husband Matthew Roeber of Cincinnati, Ohio; and two granddaughters.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Christ the King Cathedral School Scholarship Foundation, 4011 54th Street, Lubbock, TX 79413.

Based on an obituary from Lubbockonline.com.

Answers to Caryl's Questions

More truth from the Internet.

- 1. Patrick was a British-born nobleman, not Irish.
- 2. He was born in about 400 A.D. and kidnapped by Irish pirates at the age of 16, said Philip Freeman, author of *St. Patrick of Ireland: A Biography.* After 17 years as a slave, St. Patrick escaped Ireland and found his way home, but returned to Ireland as a missionary.
- 3. America's St. Patrick's Day celebration probably started with New York City's first St. Patrick's Day parade more than 250 years ago in 1762 even before the Declaration of Independence.

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Prominent Rotarians



Woodrow Wilson U.S. President and Nobel Laureate for Peace Rotary Club of Birmingham, Alabama



Orville Wright Aviation Pioneer Rotary Club of Dayton, Ohio

More on Metro Monday

Of course, sooner is better; but anyone interested in checking out this new Rotary opportunity can start any March Monday. We hope by the first half of April to have the Metro Monday group ready to rock and roll.



The Monday group will meet each week just as other Rotary groups meet on a weekly basis. Meetings won't include meals, so dues will be limited to an anticipated \$75 per quarter.

During their five March meetings the folks who make up the Monday group will make plans for their future, including whatever service projects they want to undertake and the format for their meetings. Similar groups in other cities have had a regular club meeting one week, a meeting focused on their service project the next week, a meeting dedicated to classification talks the next week, and so forth.

We aim for the Monday group to be initiated into Metro on Friday morning, April 18.

Once initiated, the Monday group will be regular members of Metro but their usual meeting time will be on Monday, although they can attend the Friday meeting as a make-up. Our current Friday group and anyone who joins the Friday group will generally continue to meet on Fridays, although make-ups can be done on Monday.

In short, we will be one club; but some members will be "Friday members" and some will be "Monday members." At some time in the future the Monday group may choose to cut their Metro ties and go on their own as the 4th Rotary club in Lubbock.

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Happy St. Patrick's Day . . . One Day Late



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COME FLY WITH US!





It's that time of year when all Rotarians in District 5730 can do our part to give back to the Rotary Foundation. The way we do this is by holding a district-wide raffle. The lucky winner of this raffle will be awarded a Southwest or United Airlines travel voucher in the amount of \$2,500.00.

Members of each club are asked to sell or buy for themselves; ten tickets (each ticket costing \$10.00). All proceeds of this raffle will be given to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation. Please remember, half of those proceeds will come back to the district in three years and the other half will go to The Rotary Foundation World Fund.

To make this raffle a lot more fun and in keeping with District Governor Ken's sports theme, we will make this raffle a district-wide competition. The clubs that sell ALL of their tickets will be recognized at the District Conference the night of the drawing. To make it even more interesting, the club selling the most tickets (in their respective clubs size: small 1-30, medium 30-75, large 75+) will receive a plaque with their club name on it. The three plaques will stay in the winning club during their winning year and transfer each year thereafter to the winning clubs.

ADGs and/or Presidents will receive your area/club raffle tickets this coming week to distribute to your members. If clubs need more tickets, please let me know. I am here to help and make this a fun and successful year.

Let's get excited about this and show that this district not only is up for the challenge but we will do so in the name of Rotary and the Rotary Foundation.

ADG'S/PRESIDENTS and CLUB FOUNDATION CHAIRS

All money collected for this raffle should be sent directly to me at the address below. Checks are to be made payable to the Rotary Foundation. DO NOT SEND TO ROTARY FOUNDATION!

Susan Wierzba, District Raffle Chair 4015 84th Street Lubbock, Texas 79423

Please make sure that all money and stubs are clearly marked with the club and member. Clubs who succeed in selling all of their tickets will also become EREY clubs.

Tickets for the club competition will end on April 29th so that name plates can be made. Individual raffle tickets will continue to be on sale throughout the district conference.

<u>NOTE TO Presidents and Club Foundation Chairs</u>: Please send money/stubs throughout the process so that it can all be tabulated prior to district conference.

If there are any questions, please email or call, but most importantly, HAVE FUN!

Susan A. Wierzba, District 5730 Annual Fund/District Raffle Chair 4015 84th Street Lubbock, Texas 79423 sawierzba@yahoo.com (806)789-7045 cell



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ROTARY DISTRICT 5730 ASSEMBLY Saturday, March 29, 2014 Midland, Texas



REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:30 AM Meeting starts at 10:00 AM and will end at 4:30 PM Grace Lutheran Church 3000 W. Golf Course

REGISTRATION: \$20.00 Includes Continental Breakfast, lunch, drinks, and snacks

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Scan to register

Rotarians will gather at District Assembly for President Elect. Treasurer, Secretary, and Foundation training. We invite spouses and anyone interested in learning more about Rotary.

This is a perfect time for meeting Rotarians from all around the District and indulging in great fellowship.

Please plan to stay for the Foundation Dinner the same evening. Cost for the steak dinner is \$75.00 per person. Speaker will be Amanda Wirtz, an amazing 34 year old Rotarian with the most incredible life story of perseverance and dedication.

Children are welcome to attend with parents at the Assembly. Child care can be provided for both functions, but reservations are required.

Members can register by logging in to rotary 5730 org. scroll down to right hand section entitled "District Events". click "2014 District Assembly" then click "Members". (Please click "Guest. for non-members.)

Rotarians in Midland and Odessa are opening their homes to host any Rotarian who would like to spend the night in the area. A block of rooms has also been made available at SpringHill Suites by Marriott at 5716 Deauville Blvd. Midland, TX | 432-695-6870