

Guest Speaker Last Meeting

Ron Roberts, Chief Meteorologist for KAMC28 Weather Lab, **Ron's** Weather & Life Experiences were told to us in an entertaining way!

Ron said he worked with KLSD, that became KOHL. Remember these stations? Now with KAMC. He was a D-J in college, and had a beard and dark brown long curly hair in the '80's (ah -time marches on!)

Ron suffered a 'brain bleed' in 2006 that nearly killed him! Nurses found him in the Covenant parking lot and took him inside for emergency treatment. They flooded his brain with sodium to dry up the blood, and saved him! Did leave him with a limp, and a fervor for life! (Why he's always so 'up-beat'!) He then had to overcome a lot with physical therapy.

Ron pushed to have a Sky-Cam for nearly every town in KMAC's 'viewing area', which enables immediate 'weather surveys/reports.

Our state's 'driest' drought year was 2011. 6+ inches of rain overall and 5+ inches for Lubbock that year. Even the Rio Grande River quit flowing to the Gulf of Mexico that year. A 'ribbon of ponds'!

Ron said Lubbock has had 2 'haboobs' so far (remember the pix of a 'haboob' approaching Phoenix from the north? 'Dust bowl' photo?) Term originates from the Arabic word 'habub', which translates to "blowing furiously" or "strong wind". Google 'haboob' for many fantastic photos of haboobs engulfing cities!

Ron said we all should buy an emergency radio: SigziVox is best!

May 8, 2025

HEALTH EXPO WILL BE ON **MAY 31ST**
BRING YOUR KIWANIS MAGAZINES TO
SANDRA SO WE CAN HAVE COPIES ON
OUR TABLE.

Flag Workday Sat. May 10th

Our **Annual Work Day** is 10-Noon at the **Caprock Home Health Office** at 8806 University Ave. Both flag trailers: we'll replace worn-out flags, re-attach flags, replace red tape on poles. We **HAVE 10 VOLUNTEERS** to get everything done in 2 hrs. Come and help even if you did not sign the volunteer sheet. Pizza/soda lunch provided! **Bring your drills & bits.**

Route Cpt.'s 'New Year' Routine!

All PVC pipes must be visually checked for each route. After 6 mos., and heavy rains, they may be filled with dirt/stones, covered up, missing even! Are they still marked with red dots? HEB now just 30 flags: 15 each side! **Need PVC pipes? Clean-out augers?**

Our Routes for 2025

Route 1: CPT: **Cindy Ham-Trk.**, 2. **Tim Upp**; 3. **Mary Wallace**; Alternate: _____?

Route 2: CPT: **Tom Andrews**, 2. **Steve Jones-Trk.** 3. **David Cook**, 4. ____? ____ **Trk.**
Altr.: **Cheryl Jones.**

Route 3: CPT: **Wayne Kohout**, 2. **Roger Mahan-Trk.**; 3. **Lequice Kohout**; Altr. **Paige Kohout, Roger Bowers**

Route 4: CPT: **James Dugger**, 2. **David Medrano**; 3. **John Gast**, Altrs. **Volunteers from Vitalant?**

Route 5: CPT: **Debbie Conn**, 2. **Ashley Torrez & Father-Trk.**; Alter.: _____

Route 6: CPT: **Mike Bennett**, Trk. 2. **Mary Hernandez**, 3. **Kaytie Hoggard**, Altr. _____

Junior League and Volunteer Center of Lubbock volunteers will be available for most of the holidays. Hopefully for all of 'em!

John Paul Batrice's



Bits & Pieces

The Flag Manufactures Assoc. of America published '**Flag Flying Days**' for Americans

The following dates are:

Jan.: New Years Day

MLK Jr. Day – 3rd Monday

Feb.: Lincoln's B-day – 12th

Presidents' Day – 3rd Monday

Washington's B-day – 22nd

Mar./Apr.: Easter Sunday

Patriots' Day (6 NE states) – 3rd Mon.

May: Intrntl. Firefighters Day – 4th

Victory in Europe (V-E) Day – 8th

Mothers' Day – 2nd Sunday

Peace Officers' Day – 15th

Armed Forces Day – 3rd Sunday

Memorial Day – Last Monday

June: Flag Day – 14th

Juneteenth – 19th

Fathers' Day – 3rd Sunday

July: Independence Day – 4th

Korean War Veterans' Day – 27th

Aug.: Purple Heart Day – 7th

Victory over Japan (V-J) Day – 10th

National Aviation Day – 19th

Sept.: Labor Day – 1st Monday

Patriot Day (9/11 victims) – 11th

Constitution Day – 17th

P.O.W./M.I.A. Recognition Day – 3rd Friday

Oct.: Natl. Fallen Fire F. Day – 1st Sun.

Columbus Day – 2nd Monday

Navy Day – 27th

Nov.: Election Day – 1st Tues. > 1st Mon.

US Marine Corps Day – 10th

Veterans' Day – 11th

Thanksgiving Day – 4th Thursday

Dec.: Pearl Harbor Day – 7th

National Guard Day – 13

Christmas Day – 25th

Aren't we glad that we just put flags up on 5 recognized flag days?! Our **homeowner flag donors** can now put their flag up on any of these 35 Flag Days!

TODAY

Thur. May 8th – Gary Adrian, ACE of TEXAS Registered Property Tax Consultant, cut your taxes.-BOARD MTG.

ALSO... COMING SOON!

Thur. May 15th – TylerSchuster, Asst Dir. Of Development, Davis Col. Ag. Sci. & Nat. Res., Scholarship program

Thur. May 22nd – Pam Lamb, Treasurer—South Plains Iris Society