

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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by Art Harrington

Burro BBQ Update

Future Speakers

Apr 19 2007 Shirin McGraham "Burro BBQ"

Apr 26 2007
Bob Moreno LHC

"Mexican Orphanage"

May 10 2007

Fanny Chou "Taiwan Part II"

Upcoming Events

Burro Golf Tournament Apr 20 2007

Burro BBQ Apr 21 2007

Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 pm

May 1 2007

Installation of Officers Jun 29 2007

Club Christmas Party Dec 7 2007

News

Quote of the Week - Who Said It?

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BURRO WEEKEND NEARS

Every member needs to block out Friday & Saturday, April 20-21



No kidding! It takes the help of *everyone* (Rotarians, spouses and other family members) to make the Burro Barbecue a success. *Please clear your schedule and plan to be on hand to lend a hand wherever it is needed.*

The woodcutters are back, and they are standing ready to load the barbecue pits and fire the wood, in preparation for lowering the bagged beef down onto the coals. The process has been perfected over the years, and our pit-barbecued beef is the best to be found anywhere.

Outstanding entertainment has been lined up. We appreciate the sponsors who have come forward to help defray the expenses involved in bringing these groups.

Joe Heath has stepped up to assist Terry Morgridge, who has been hospitalized recently, with our first Burro Raffle. Thanks to all who have agreed to donate items.

The children's activities are always a major part of making this a fun-filled family event. Our Interact Club members will be helping with these activities, but we need some additional Rotarians who will commit to help supervise these activities. Let Shirin know if you would be willing to assist in this area.

Club's Foundation giving increases by Sharon Harrington



Foundation giving reaches \$6,700 so far

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We are excited! With one quarter still to go in this Rotary year, it is apparent that contributions to our Rotary Foundation from Bullhead City Rotary will reach a new high this year.

While the actual names and total amount of our Foundation giving will not be announced until our annual induction & awards dinner, we can tell you that so far we have:

- One new Paul Harris Fellow
- Three members reaching new multiple PHF recognition levels
- Two members who have reached the Major Donor level

Congratulations! Keep the contributions coming!

Laughlin Rotary Anniversary by Michael Conner

REMINDER:

Laughlin Rotary Club is celebrating its 17th Anniversary.



Since we sponsored this club, let's show up in force this Wednesday morning for their meeting to help congratulate them.

Be there at 7:00 a.m. at Harrah's Buffet to pick up your food. The meeting officially begins at 7:30.

Burro Sheet Ads by Paul Stubler



Please check the list

Each club member was e-mailed this week a list of the Burro Sheet ads I have to date.

Please take the time to open this e-mail, and check the list to see if you see any ads that may be lissing from his list - or may be there in error.

The top part of the sheet lists the 2007 orders of our 2006 advertisers, and the lower part lists the new advertisers this year.

Burro BBQ tickets by Art Harrington

Remember to turn in ticket money



Turn in to Sharon at this Thursday's club meeting the money for the BBQ tickets you have sold so far.

Sharon also has additional tickets if you need more.

Rotary/Kiwanis Golf Tournament by John McCormick



BBQ Weekend Tee-off

The annual Rotary/Kiwanis Golf Tournament will be held at Chaparral Country Club on Friday, April 20th, kicking off our Burro

Barbecue weekend.

Assemble at 4:00 pm, to prepare for a shotgun style tee off at 4:30. A BBQ follows on the patio. The entry fee is only \$20 -- \$10 for golf and \$10 for prizes. There is a \$5 charge for the food.

Sign-up sheets are being circulated at our club meetings.

Call John McCormick is you have any questions.

What's happening elsewhere by Art Harrington

Rotary here and elsewhere on April 21



While it may be hard to believe, since the attention and energies of *all* Bullhead City Rotarians needs to be focused on our Burro Barbecue, there are some other significant Rotary events going on around the state on April 21 that you might like to know about.

Here in D5490:

The District Assembly is being held from 8:30 - 4:00 at Midwestern University in Glendale.

Although this training is primarily designed for club officers, all Rotarians with a desire to learn more about Rotary are encouraged to attend.

"How To" clinics are be offered in targeted areas such as:

- Ideas for bringing new members into your club.
- Starting an Interact Club in your area.
- How to set and achieve your Rotary Foundation giving goals.
- Understanding the programs of the Rotary Foundation.
- Successful fund-raising ideas what has worked for other clubs.
- How to promote your club through effective public relations.
- Getting your club involved with Youth Exchange.
- How to use on-line tools for effective club administration.
- How to induct, train and mentor new members to build commitment to Rotary.

I understand the club board decided to dispatch me to Glendale for the day to pick up as much of this info as possible, and bring it back to them for a "make-up session" sometime after the BBQ. (See what happens when you miss a meeting? Exile to Glendale!)

Over in D5510:

The 8th Annual Rotary River Rally, featuring the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta, will also be held on Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 on Tempe Town Lake just east of Tempe Beach Park. This is a huge event cosponsored by all of the Rotary clubs in the Tempe area.

Teams get in and race homemade cardboard boats. Prizes for the fastest, best dressed, most spirited and most creative. In addition, a Titanic award for the most spectacular sinking! Some sink. Some float. Some swim -- but everyone has a great time!

Like our Burro Barbecue, months of preparation are needed each year to make this the successful event it has become.

Boat Building Clinics are held in January and February so that teachers, group leaders and parents learn how to get their kids involved in a fun, educational project where they can practice math, physics and design skills while building teamwork! Free cardboard sheets are donated by several local box manufacturing companies and hauled by Rotary volunteers to the Tempe Rio Salado Operation office on Mill Avenue under the Red Mountain Freeway Bridge.

Photo:

A group of contestants leave the dock in their cardboard boat during last year's Rotary River Rally.

Conference reminder by Kelly Burgess



District Conference is May 18-20

The cost for the District Conference package at Little America in Flagstaff is still \$180 per person -- until the end of this month.

However, the price goes up to &190 per person on May 1st.

Register now and save!

3-month peace program offered in Thailand by Art Harrington

Rotary's Peace and Conflict Studies Program in Thailand

In past issues of the club bulletin we have talked about the outstanding 2-year masters program
Rotary offers at seven selected universities around the world in peace studies and conflict resolution. We have profiled several of these Rotary World Peace Fellows who have already graduated from this unique program.

Rotary has also established a shorter program to provide additional training to those professionals who are already working in this and related fields. The Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program was established to provide professionals from around the world the opportunity to be trained in conflict resolution and mediation strategies and to become better equipped to help prevent and resolve conflict, as well as foster policies and create settings that ensure peace, worldwide.

Offered in English, the program is aimed at mid-to upper-level professionals in governments, nongovernmental organizations, and private corporations. Begun in July 2006, the intensive three-month course housed at the newly established Rotary Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand accepts up to 30 program participants per session for two sessions per year. Each session includes both academic learning and practical fieldwork components. The program aims to:

Inspire people to work for a culture of peace and tolerance while enhancing their capacity, knowledge, and skill to do so, in part by generating interaction between practitioners and academics

Provide advanced international educational opportunities for Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program participants chosen from different countries and cultures on the basis of their potential as leaders in government, business, education, media, and other professions

Provide a means for The Rotary Foundation and Rotarians to increase their

effectiveness in promoting greater tolerance and cooperation among peoples, leading to world understanding and peace.

The program is funded through the generosity of Rotarians worldwide with additional fellowship support from the Embassy of Switzerland in Thailand.

The Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies program selection committee has chosen the third class of peace fellows to study at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok. It's always interesting to see what each new class brings to the program. This impressive group of nine women and 16 men, who will begin the 10-week course in July, represent 15 countries and have an average age of 42. They will learn and share together and then return to their jobs with added skills in conflict resolution and peace studies.