

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Upcoming Events

Shrine Fri May 2 6:15pm May 2 2008

Rotary Information Day May 3 2008

Shrine Wed May 7 6:15pm May 7 2008

Interact Sara Hargrove Mem 8:30 am May 10 2008

2008-09 Installation Dinner Jun 26 2008

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Club leaders train this Saturday



Our club leaders for the next Rotary year, which begins July 1, will trek to Mohave Community College in Lake Havasu City this Saturday, where they will train from 9:00 to 3:30, preparing them for their leadership roles.

Choosing from a variety of workshop topics, these leaders will be working with those from the other Rotary clubs in this part of the state to gear up for the year ahead. From all indications, it may be one of the most exciting and eventful years ever in Rotary worldwide, and our local leadership team has already been laying the plans for one of our most productive years of service ever in Bullhead City.

Expect some great things ahead!

RiverCenter unveiled by Art Harrington

Club Training Day

by Art Harrington

Master plan for BC Section 12

The timing could not have been better for the program John brought to us last Thursday. Susan Betts and Carla Brady from the city offices brought to us the Preliminary Findings and Recommendations for Bullhead City's Section 12. Included in that riverfront expanse is the Rotary Ramada and Community Park.

Owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM), this section of land is now leased to Bullhead City. Over the past 25 years both the waterfront and the uplands have been proposed for a wide variety of uses. This PF&R report integrates the results from

public meetings, questionnaires, studies of the land's resources, and input from the public, institutional and private decision-makers into a general presentation of the major choices that affect the future of Section 12 - now being called *RiverCenter* in this report.

With the Burro Barbeque and its needs fresh in our minds, the Rotarian "movers & shakers" in the community had lots of practical input into the planning, and the ladies were definitely taking appreciative notes.

DGND chosen by Art Harrington

2010-11 Guv from Sun City

A news flash has just come in from the District 5490 Nominating Committee, informing us that the committee has unanimously selected Jim Green as the proposed candidate for District Governor for 2010-11. According to the district bylaws, the clubs have a 30 day period in which to submit comments, questions or challenges. If unchallenged by May 28, Jim will be declared to be the District Governor Nominee.

Jim Green is a past president and current member of the Rotary Club of Sun City. He has been serving as the Assistant Governor of Area 4, and has been actively involved for a number of years in leadership of the Arizona Rotary Vocational Fund.

Congratulations, Jim!

Clarification on registration cost by Art Harrington



There has apparently been some confusion about the graduated cost of registering for the District Conference, to be held at the *Pointe Hilton Tapitio Cliffs Resort* in Phoenix, May 30 - June 1.

The full registration package is available today at \$175.

However, if you wait 'til Thursday, it will cost you \$10 bucks more. The price is **\$185** from May 1-28. Then on May 29 it jumps to **\$200**.

The moral of this short story - *register today and* save \$\$\$.

Interact work day by Kari Hoffman

Coming up May 10 at MHS

Rotarians are reminded that there will be an Interact-sponsored work day on Saturday morning, May 10, to work on the the Sara Hargrove Memorial at Mohave High School.

There is still rock to be spread, hopefully the wrought iron fence to be installed and some plants to put in the ground. It all gets underway at 9:00 a.m.

Come and lend a hand - or at least a green thumb!

New polio website by Art Harrington

Rotary launches new public "mini" Web site

Rotary has launched a new "mini" Web site to give the general public an opportunity to help end polio by contributing to Rotary's US\$100 Million Challenge from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. View the three-page site at

www.rotary.org/endpolio.

The new site will be marketed throughout North America starting this month. All funds raised will go directly to The Rotary Foundation in support of polio eradication, helping Rotary fulfill its pledge to match the \$100 million challenge grant received from the Gates Foundation in November 2007.

Rotarians should continue to contribute through the Member Access Portal at

www.rotary.org , but are encouraged to help spread the word about the new Web site within their communities .

TRF Trustees at work by Art Harrington

A work in progress



At their April 2008 meeting held last week, The Rotary Foundation Trustees received additional recommendations from the Future Vision Committee on various components of the Future Vision Plan, including areas of focus, strategic partnerships, funding model, grant transition plan, pilot operations plan and timeline, and other important elements.

The Rotary International Board will receive an update from the TRF Trustees, and will be asked to endorse the plan, at their June meeting.

While everyone finds changes, even when they may be positive ones, sometimes difficult to adjust to, the Foundation's trustees realize the need to continue to improve the methods used in our stewardship of the increasing funds that are being invested into the worldwide work of our Foundation.

Based on input from Rotarians worldwide, the Future Vision Plan addresses the need to make the Foundation's activities more relevant in today's world. The intent of the pilot plan is to allow interested Rotarians and their districts to help build the future of our Foundation by testing some of the new ideas that have been proposed.

TRF Permanent Fund by Art Harrington



While we talk about multi-million challenge grants to knock out Polio, along with the \$120 million goal of our Foundation's Annual Programs Fund this year, have you considered the growing size of our Foundation's Permanent Fund lately?

At the end of February 2008, the Permanent Fund's net assets were \$215.1 million. As of last month the estimated expectancies to the Permanent Fund (those funds committed through bequests) stood at \$376.4 million.

Therefore, the Permanent Fund's net assets and expectancies were \$591.5 million as of March 31, 2008. The goal is to reach \$1 billion by 2025.