

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Arizona Child Fatality Review

by Dave Moore

Larry Tunforss Presentation



Larry Tunforss of the Bullhead City Fire Department gave a sobering presentation on Arizona Child Fatality statistics at last week's meeting. Larry is part of a local multidisciplinary child fatality review team that has access to

information from all involved agencies and other relevant documents that provide insight into the cause and preventability of a child's death. Arizona's child death rate is above the national average of 82 in 100,000, but the review teams from all over the state conclude that many of the child deaths could have been prevented by using known prevention strategies (eg. child safety restraints. pool fencing).

Polio Documentary

by Dave Moore

FINAL INCH, POLIO DOCUMENTARY NOMINATED FOR OSCAR

A short documentary film, The Final Inch. received an Academy Award nomination for its intimate look at the massive mission to rid the world of the crippling disease. Nominated in the documentary short subject category, *The Final Inch*, a 38-minute film commissioned by the philanthropic division of Google, chronicles the challenges health organizations and governments face during the final stages of polio eradication.

Director and producer Irene Taylor Brodsky captured workers immunizing children in the poorest slums of India and Pakistan in 2007. In several scenes Rotarians were filmed working during a National Immunization Day on 22 April.

The Final Inch will air on HBO in early April.

Rotary Anniversary February 23

by Dave Moore

Rotary's 104th Anniversary

Rotary clubs around the world will celbrate the anniversary of Rotary, which started in Chicago on February 23, 1905. Since that first meeting, Rotary has grown to include 1.2 million members who belong to more than 33,000 Rotary Clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

The Rotary anniversary date is also known as Rotary's "World Understanding and Peace Day," by addressing a variety of community concerns. Rotary members in Tarboro, N.C. are conducting free dental clinics for senior and low-income individuals, members in Kishwaunee (DeKalb), IL are holding food drives to restock area food pantries, members in Nash-Rocky Mount, N.C. are tutoring elementary school students, and clubs in Lompoc and Vandenberg Village, C.A. are beautifying the Veterans Memorial Building in Lompoc.

In London and Essex County, UK, Rotary club members are organizing a "Purple Pinkie Week" to raise funds for polio eradication efforts. Club members will be reaching out to schools, colleges, universities, and shopping centers to collect funds. Those who donate 1 will have their pinkies dyed purple. The name "purple pinkie" comes from the purple dye painted on a child's finger to show they have been immunized. A donation of 1 will purchase two doses of oral polio vaccine.

RI Convention in England

by Dave Moore

Cowpoke Reception for the Wild West

For anyone planning on attending the Rotary International Convention in

Birmingham, England this coming June, you won't want to miss the Cowpoke Reception for Zones 25 and 26. Meet up with all your Rotary friends from around the western United States at the convention.

For anyone who is considering attending, it's not too late to register and the value of the dollar to the British pound is very favorable right now so it is a great time

to visit the UK. A Rotary International convention is a very memorable experience and every Rotarian is encouraged to attend.

Australia GSE Team Members Needed

by Dave Moore

ROTARIANS.PLEASE HELP US FIND TEAM MEMBERS...

ROTARY GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE TO AUSTRALIA WITH SPECIAL FOCUS ON THE TOURISM & HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY



Our District is seeking candidates for the 2009 Rotary Group Study Exchange to District 9710, Australia, which covers the Australian Capital Territory and part of New South Wales. Applications are sought for four team members and two alternates who are employed in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry.

The program is open to young business and professional men and women in the early stages of their careers or professions who are between the ages of 25 and 40. Rotary International pays the travel expenses. Rotarians in the country being visited host the delegates. Local hosting includes lodging, meals and group travel within the district. The purpose of the trip is to study how their business or professions function in Australia . They will also develop personal and professional relationships and exchange ideas. GSE is designed to develop professional and leadership skills among young adults to better prepare them to address the needs of their communities and an increasingly global workplace.

The exchange will be 4 or 5 weeks and will depart on September 21, 2009 and return on October 20 or 27, 2009.

The candidates must have been employed on a full time basis in the Tourism/Hospitality field for at least the past two years and be committed to remain in their field well after the exchange. They may not be related to current or past Rotarians or the spouse of another team member. Candidates must reside or be employed in RI -District-5490's area (the northwest portion of Arizona&Needles, CA.

The team members will participate in monthly training and preparation sessions for the trip during the 6-7 months prior to departure. Team members must be in good health, able to express themselves clearly, interested in and clearly enthusiastic about their vocation, open-minded, tolerant and

flexible.

The GSE program is an excellent opportunity for a business or organization to develop and recognize top performing young staff members for the global environment in which they will be working. It promotes open-minded thinking through contact with business and professional people of other cultures. It fosters creative approaches to problem-solving by broadening the employee's outlook. It improves an employee's professional skills through exposure to alternative methodologies. In addition, GSE is a great public relations opportunity to expand awareness of a business.

All candidates must have the proper application completed and be interviewed by a sponsoring local Rotary Club. Applications must be received by the Rotary District GSE Committee Chair, no later than March 14, 2009 . Final interviews by the District GSE Committee will be held on Saturday, March 21, 200 9 . Applications may be downloaded from: Rotary International's website.

Charles Shultz Memorial

by Dave Moore



Charles Shultz passed away this weekend after a long bout with heart issues. Charles was a long-time member of the Laughlin Rotary Club and was a regular visitor to our club for

make-ups. Many of our members knew him and may be interested in attending a Mass and Memorial Service for Charles at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Laughlin this Saturday, February 21 at 10am (Nevada Time).