

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Key fundraiser update

by Art Harrington



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Gaining momentum

Burro BBQ plans are moving ahead!



Since picking up the reins as the ramrod of the big Burro event, Frank Hart has been wasting no time rounding up the stragglers and fitting the harnasses to the team of Rotarians he needs to pull this huge chuck wagon.

Frank was at the podium at last Thursday's meeting, lining out the tasks that need to be done, and working on filling the key roles on the many committees that have to function to make our primary fundraising function each year a success. It is certainly no small task!

If you have not filled your name in on one or more of those blanks on the sheets that Frank is passing around, time is running out for any freedom of choice. Every club member is expected to function in *some* capacity, and assignments will soon be made to fill out the roster.

New PR chair by Art Harrington



Another member steps up to leadership

Dave Moore has agreed to serve as our Public Relations Chair for the remainder of this Rotary

year.

Dave has a background in marketing and has been a member of our club since 2002.

We welcome Dave as the newest member of our club's Board of Directors.

Re-drawing the Rotary lines by Art Harrington

More on Rotary's re-zoning



Following up on actions taken during the 2007 Rotary International Council on Legislation, the RI Board of Directors, at its January 2008 meeting in Evanston, approved a Zones Realignment Plan that will impact most zones worldwide. It should be noted, though, that the Board's action is tentative, until it adopts the plan in its final form at its June 2008 meeting.

We mentioned last week that Arizona's three districts will me moved into the current Zone 24. Director-Elect Phil Silvers, who served on the realignment committee, explains, "We had sufficient numbers of Rotarians in Zone 25, but we had needy neighbors to our west, north, and east....and south. So we got picked on for our numbers. Additionally, D5020 & D5080 (representing parts of British Columbia, Washington and Idaho) are being moved into the current Zone 23 to beef up their numbers.

However, you can forget those current zone numbers. On, if not before, July 1, 2011, the current Zones 23 and 24 will be renumbered, and will become Zones 25 and 26. So the Arizone districts (D5490, D5500 & D5510) will actually wind up being part of the new Zone 26.

All of this, of course, hinges on the Board's adoption of the plan in its final form in June. Currently Rotary clubs and districts are being invited to comment on the plan.

Group Study Exchanges *by Art Harrington*

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

Last week we talked about the unique wheelchair GSE Team our district wants to put together for an exchange with an Australian district in 2009. Some of our newer members may be wondering, though, about what GSE is.

Teams exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for business people and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers.

The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

In a typical four-week tour, applicants participate in five full days of vocational visits, 15 to 20 club presentations, 10 to 15 formal visits and social events, two to three days at the district

conference, three to four hours per day of cultural and site tours, and three to four hours per day of free time with host families. Teams also have the opportunity to see Rotary around the world at work, visiting interesting and inspiring Rotary projects that are meeting needs and changing lives.

For each team member, the Foundation provides the most economical round-trip airline ticket between the home and host countries. Rotarians in the host area provide for meals, lodging, and group travel within their district.

Let's get it done by Art Harrington

The 2007-08 PolioPlus Partners Challenge



- What can Rotarians do?

Funding for PolioPlus Partners is essential to help all Rotarians achieve the goal of a polio-free world. To help meet the significant and ongoing funding needs, the leadership of Rotary is extending a Challenge to all Rotarians, clubs, and districts to become 2007-08 PolioPlus Partners:

- 1. Asking for 100% participation from all Rotary districts to allocate a minimum of 10% of their available DDF.
- 2. Asking all Rotary clubs and districts, Interact and Rotaract clubs to have a club program for PolioPlus Partners by March 2008.
- 3. Requesting district leaders to encourage all clubs chartered after 1 July 2003 to consider making a club contribution, having a fundraiser, or making individual contributions to PolioPlus Partners.
- 4. Requesting zone, district, and club leaders to encourage new members after 1 July 2003 to contribute and become a part of Rotary's number one goal of global polio eradication.
- 5. Encouraging all Rotarians that view PolioPlus as their primary Rotary interest to make another contribution to PolioPlus Partners.

WITH EVERYONE'S CONTINUING SUPPORT, WE SHALL DEMONSTRATE OUR RESOLVE AND ACHIEVE THE FINAL GOAL OF A POLIO-FREE WORLD FOR ALL THE WORLDS' CHILDREN.

Coming attractions by Art Harrington



Are you registered yet for LA?

The closest Rotary International

Convention ever is coming to Los Angeles in just 3 months! The dates are June 15-18, 2008.

This is truly an opportunity of a lifetime. We encourage you to <u>not</u> miss it.