



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Bullhead City

### eBulletin

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#### Remembering Don McMurry

by [Laura Grasse](#)

### Services Tuesday for Don McMurry

For those of you are not aware, Don passed away on the evening of Wednesday, January 16.



There will be a viewing at Desert Lawn on Monday afternoon, with services at Riviera Baptist Church at 11:00 on Tuesday 1/22/08. At approximately 1:00 Tuesday, there will be a gathering of friends and family at the BHC Chamber to celebrate Don's life.

Don was the last of the Rotarians that chartered the Bullhead City Rotary Club as it is known today. He joined the club on September 4, 1968, he has been a member for 39 years and 4 months straight. Even with all the years and his failing health he refused the offer of the Rule of 85 which would exempt him from fines for absences. He said he was proud to pay them! And if you remember the last time at the club he got up and did Humor. Our Rotary club was very dear to him.

If at all possible please attend the services and show Don how much we appreciated his service above self! Since Don loved wearing his cowboy hat, even during Rotary meetings, I thought it would be great if Rotarians wore cowboy hats in honor of Don! Even if you don't have a hat please attend.

#### Interact project reminder

by [Art Harrington](#)

### Help needed on Saturday

Please remember that our MHS Interact Club has scheduled a work day this Saturday at 10:00 to do further work on the Sara Hargrove memorial fountain.

Our help is needed to spread some additional rock in that courtyard area around the memorial fountain. For additional information, talk with Kari Hoffman.

#### Abbreviated issue

by [Art Harrington](#)

## Notes from the road

In order to get this issue out with its notice about Don McMurry's memorial services, this will be an abbreviated issue.

Sharon and I had the privilege of participating in a meeting with Rotary's senior leadership in San Diego this past week. I was particularly interested in hearing the presentations by RI President-Elect John Kenny from Scotland, RI Director-Elect Catherine Noyer-Riveau from Paris, TRF Trustee Carolyn Jones from Anchorage and the panel of RI Directors who discussed the impending re-zoning that will be taking place in Rotary.

In addition, we heard both addresses by RI President Wilf Wilkinson from Canada, and Pres.-Elect D. K. Lee from Korea, along with TRF Chair Robert Scott and a host of other senior leaders.

I will be sharing more about what they told us in future issues. But I will simply note here that Rotary is definitely a dynamic and ever-changing organization, reflecting its international character and membership.

[Foundation records set](#)

## It all adds up to a record year for The Rotary Foundation

There could be a million reasons why contributions to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Programs Fund topped US\$100 million for the first time ever, reaching \$103 million in 2006-07. Here are just a few.

Per capita giving to the fund increased dramatically in many parts of the world. For example, in Zone 33 (five southern U.S. states) the per capita climbed nearly 22 percent to \$131.11. The zone includes District 7770 (South Carolina), which ranked first in the world in total contributions to the Annual Programs Fund. In the Philippines, District 3800's per capita giving hit \$100, more than double the \$47 of the year before, to meet the goal of the Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) effort.

The top 10 per capita giving clubs in 2006-07 were located in eight different countries, a striking indication that Rotarians' growing support for the Annual Programs Fund is worldwide. Another reflection of fund support is the increase in Foundation contributors recognized, especially for EREY participation.

The largest-ever number of new Paul Harris Fellows - 57,190 were recognized in 2006-07, along with 40,462 Multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Moreover, there were 369 100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Clubs, a 14 percent drop in noncontributing clubs, and 177 district administered Paul Harris Societies.

The real success stories, however, are spelled out in the Foundation programs funded each year that help save and change lives. The Foundation spent a record \$44.8 million on humanitarian programs and \$23.3 million on educational programs in 2006-07. "You can change the world even with \$100," says Thaw Chay Lim, past governor of District 3300 (Malaysia), underscoring the importance of EREY. "You get the best for others when you give the best of yourself."

-- from *Rotary World*

**Our Foundation's future**

## **Trustees & RI Board approve future vision models**



At their October/November meetings, The Rotary Foundation Trustees and the RI Board approved the grant structure and strategic cooperative relationships models and a preliminary distributable funds model, all of which form the core of the Foundation's Future Vision Plan. Reflecting input from grassroots Rotarians, senior leaders, and outside consultants, the new models simplify Foundation programs and focus Rotarian service efforts where they will have the greatest impact.

The new grant model offers two types of grants. The first type allows Rotarians greater flexibility to use funds to support their broad service interests and address immediate needs in their communities. The second type offers opportunities to participate in focused and sustainable activities with greater support from the Foundation and cooperative relationships to make the projects more successful.

The first type are block grants to districts, modeled after the current District Simplified Grants program. Districts will be able to use up to 40 percent of their District Designated Fund to support these grants. The second type will fund larger, more sustainable projects in one of the three to five strategic areas-- of focus (to be determined by the Trustees at their April meeting). Under this model, clubs and districts will select from two options: club- and district-designed projects and prepackaged projects with strategic cooperative relationship organizations.

The Future Vision Plan will be implemented in stages, with a goal of full implementation by 2012-13. In 2008-09, the Trustees will choose approximately 60 geographically dispersed districts to participate in a pilot program for 2009-12. The remaining districts

will continue to use the current programs and grants processes.  
Find more plan information at

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*-- from Rotary World*