



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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[Lee announces theme](#)  
*by Art Harrington*

### Upcoming Events

**RCBC Board of Directors**  
Feb 6 2008

**2008-09 Installation Dinner**  
Jun 26 2008

## Next year's theme: Make Dreams Real



*D K Lee's emphasis is on reducing child mortality rate*

### News

Quote of the Week - Who Said It?

Thought for the Week - Who Said It?

Rotary International President-elect Dong Kurn Lee said he was in disbelief when he learned that 30,000 children under the age of five die every day from preventable diseases such as pneumonia, diarrhea, measles, and malaria.

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Once I understood the issues behind that terrible number, I knew what I needed to do," Lee said. He told the incoming governors that Rotary will keep the service emphases of recent years - water, health and hunger, and literacy - but asked them to focus their efforts in each of these areas on children.

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Speaking to the District Governors-Elect from around the Rotary world, Lee said, "In 2008-09, I will ask you all to ***Make Dreams Real*** for the world's children. This will be our theme, and my challenge to all of you."

[Make music in your home](#)  
*by Kari Hoffman*

## Choir housing is needed

The Mohave High School Choirs will be hosting the Doane College Choir from Crete, Nebraska, for a concert this Thursday, Jan. 31, in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. The choir, which has been touring Arizona, will be giving a clinic for our MHS choirs the next morning after their concert, which is free and open to the public.

However, housing is needed for this one night (and breakfast Friday morning) for the 24 guys and 24 gals who comprise this outstanding vocal ensemble. Can you help? Call Kari at 704-1284.

[New head honcho for burro event](#)

by Art Harrington

## Gearing up for Burro Barbeque



For health and business reasons, Terry Morgridge is having to take a temporary leave of absence, which has necessarily included his stepping down from his Burro BBQ Chair position. We wish him well, and look forward to his being able to be back working with us as soon as possible.

The awesome mantle of BBBQ Chair has subsequently fallen upon the shoulders of the very capable Frank Hart (something to do besides running a gas company and cruisin' BC in his Corvette). We all believe Frank is up to the challenge -- *but he is going to need lots of help!!*

### **First, open and read your e-mail!**

Frank has already sent out to every club member copies of the barbeque committee sheets with the names of all who have volunteers so far.

Is your name on the list for any of those committees? If not, get busy and pick the positions you want to play on the 2008 BBBQ Team. And then let Frank know where you want to serve, and that he can count on your help.

**Remember that this is an all-club effort.** No member can do it alone, it takes the help of *every* member -- and no one is exempt from helping in some role. It's known as **play or Pay**(big-time!). So sign up now while choice positions are still available.

### **Earthquakes & eruptions in Rotary World**

by Art Harrington



## Re-Zoning of Rotary World is Official!

***RI Board approves the proposed plan***

The Rotary International Board of Directors overwhelmingly approved the proposed plan to re-zone the Rotary World at its meeting in Evanston last week.

With Rotary being a representative organization, when it experiences membership population shifts, the organization (like our nation with its House of Representatives) must be restructured to assure the required equitable representation of all of its members. The fact is that Rotary membership in the U.S. has declined over the past decade, while Rotary in places like Korea and India has experienced considerable growth. The governing documents of Rotary require the RI Board to review Rotary's worldwide representation, and to restructure the Rotary World, if needed, every 8

years.

The bottom line is that Rotary in North America is losing the equivalent of one entire zone, and Asia is gaining a zone. So new zone boundaries and constituent districts are having to be created here in the U.S..

How does that affect us here in Arizona? Our three Rotary Districts, which have been a part of Zone 25 (the huge heartland of America), are being shifted over to join Nevada, California and Hawaii in Zone 24. At least we are all going over there together. The word is that Texas is being sliced up three-ways. (*What was it that we heard from those Texas Longhorns recently about "Don't Mess With Texas"? We're not sure if those are smoke signals or what that have been rising recently over there on the eastern horizon.*)

#### **Sponsor a Rotary-built home**

*by Art Harrington*

## **Build a house for just \$400**



In Neopualco, Mexico, a town in the mountains outside Cuernavaca the Rotary Club of Tabachines is building housing for the poorest of the poor. The photo is of the house that PDG Don and Annette Schiller helped fund for \$400. The mother and her 5 children live in the house. This is the first house which has received a concrete floor and a water tank. The water tanks are part of a matching grant which Prescott Rotary Club and Sunup Rotary Club are doing.

PDG Don has been promoting this project and encouraging other Rotarians to join in and "buy" a house for \$400. To contact the Schillers about the program send an email to: [schiller@commspeed.net](mailto:schiller@commspeed.net)

#### **Wheelchair Challenge**

*by Art Harrington*

## **A Unique Rotary GSE for 2008-09**

Our district is planning to do a wheelchair-bound team exchange in 2009 with Rotary District 9680 in Australia. Our team would be outbound to Australia April 27 - May 18, 2009. Due to the complexity of this exchange, the team leader and team members are being chosen within the next couple of months for this exchange.

A dream of our DGE Charlie Tegarden, the goal is to focus upon the abilities of the team members, rather than their disabilities, and to demonstrate that participation by wheelchair-bound individuals is possible on such GSE exchanges. It is hoped this exchange will enrich the lives of the Rotarian hosts through the formation of personal friendships with team members, and will help build bridges of knowledge, understanding, tolerance and sensitivity with wheelchair users.

The team leader (a Rotarian) and four non-Rotarian team members, between the ages of 25 - 40, must all be permanent wheelchair users. Wheelchairs will not be motorized or electronically controlled, but will be manually operated on this trip.

Help is needed to identify potential candidates for team leader and team members. It is hoped that interviews for team leader can be held in late February or early March, with those for team members to follow after that. For additional information, or if someone comes to mind for this unique team, contact Art, Corky or Kelly.