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Future Speakers

Feb 1 2007

[Judy Reed](#)

Feb 8 2007

[Tim Wenster, City Manager](#)

"AEL election in March"

Upcoming Events

Board of Directors Meeting
5:30 pm

Feb 6 2007

Burro BBQ

Apr 21 2007

Installation of Officers

Jun 29 2007

Club Christmas Party

Dec 7 2007

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Serving in San Diego

by [Art Harrington](#)

The Rotary International Assembly

Past RI President Bhichai Rattakul from Thailand said today, "The sun never sets on Rotary and its Foundation." How true that is! The work of Rotary continues on 24 hours a day, 365 days each year, changing lives and making the world a better place, year after year.



In no place is the internationality of Rotary, or the heartbeat of its diverse leadership, more dramatically observed than here this week at the International Assembly in San Diego. Gathered here are the current and incoming Rotary International Directors, the current and incoming Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, as well as the President, President-Elect and President Nominee of Rotary International. Here also are the 520 Rotary District Governors and their spouses who will assume leadership of their districts in 169 countries around the world on July 1, 2007.

It is nearly impossible to capture for you the essence or the impact of the moving addresses we have heard from many of our leaders, or to tell of all the incredible things Rotary is accomplishing around the globe. Neither is it possible to adequately relate the thrill or sense of fulfillment one derives from being a part of this truly awesome team of Rotary International Training Leaders as we lead our sessions each day. I can only give you a glimpse of what it is like.

Just imagine. Today I have been training incoming governors from Norway, Taiwan, South Africa, Australia, the Philippines, Sweden, Canada, Sri Lanka and from around these United States. Tomorrow I will be leading sessions for governors from England, Iceland, Finland, Germany, Ukraine, Norway, Sweden, India, Australia, the Netherlands, Thailand, the Philippines, Swaziland and other states within our own country. And so it goes each day I am here.

I can simply say that I am proud to be a Rotarian, and to have the privilege of playing a small part in what Rotary will continue to do to solve problems, meet needs and transform lives next year, and in the years to come.

Save the Dates

by [Art Harrington](#)



ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

May 18-20 at Little America in Flagstaff

Want to meet other Rotarians from neighboring clubs in our district? Want to find out what the other clubs have been doing in addressing and meeting problems in these key Rotary emphasis areas?

-- Water

-- Literacy

-- Health & Hunger

-- Family of Rotary

There's no better place to learn more about Rotary than at a District Conference. Attending a conference is one of the best investments of time and money a Rotarian can make.

Talk with Terry Morgridge today to learn how you and your spouse can be a part of the sizable group that will be attending the Flagstaff conference from our Bullhead City Rotary Club.

Our Rotary Foundation
by Sharon Harrington

The case for finishing polio eradication

A fresh approach for the final phase



In January 2007, PolioPlus entered a new era by adopting tailored approaches to reach the last children, in each of the last 4 endemic countries, with new eradication tools.

This move, from the 'one-size-fits-all' eradication strategy, is the single biggest Development since PolioPlus was launched in 1985.

Polio can be eradicated

Impact - polio cases worldwide have fallen by 99% since PolioPlus was started in 1985.

Polio Surveillance - since 2004, new surveillance standards and laboratory processes have ensured that every country can detect every circulating poliovirus more rapidly than ever.

Outbreak Control - every re-infected country has already stopped its outbreak or is on the verge of doing so; since 2006, new international response guidelines stop outbreaks faster than ever.

Finishing eradication - the poorest, most war-torn and most crowded countries on earth have stopped polio; new generation 'monovalent' polio vaccines provide even more potent tools for the last 4 endemic countries which, in December 2006, adopted new and tailored approaches:

- **India** : monthly polio campaigns will target the very young children who sustain polio;
- **Nigeria** : new Immunization Plus Days will target the very high risk states where polio continues to circulate;
- **Afghanistan & Pakistan** : synchronized campaigns will target the populations moving across borders and living in insecure areas where poliovirus survives.

Polio should be eradicated

- A *humanitarian* legacy: already, 5 million children are walking who would have been paralyzed and more than 1.5 million lives have been saved. Switching to a 'control' strategy, instead of

finishing eradication, would condemn 10 million children to polio over the next 40 years alone.

- A *financial* responsibility: once polio is eradicated, the developing world can save over US\$1 billion each year. Polio eradication will also help secure the future earning potential of children and reduce the massive costs of polio that are now borne by the poorest families and communities.

**The case for finishing PolioPlus is compelling.
The opportunity to finish PolioPlus is
unprecedented.
Rotary's PolioPlus legacy will last in perpetuity.**

Polio Eradication IS realistic