



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Board meeting
by Laura Grasse

Club Board meets Wednesday

Our January club board meeting will be held this Wednesday, Jan. 9th, at 5:30 in the News West conference room.



Next month's board meeting, on Feb. 6th, will be held in the conference room at Harrington Financial Services' new offices. News West's building will be undergoing some reconstruction. Our thanks to Paul and his company for allowing us to use their facilities for our meetings for the past number of years.

In memorium
by Art Harrington

Two losses impact club

Our club's heartfelt sympathy is extended to Kelly and Kris Burgess and their family on the death of their infant son, Joseph Kelly Burgess. Graveside services were held at Desert Lawn Memorial Gardens last Saturday morning.

Our sympathy is also extended to the family of Lee Hoyes, who died in an automobile accident last week. Lee served as the President of our Mohave High School Interact Club during his senior year in 2005-06. A memorial service was held at the MHS Auditorium last Saturday afternoon.

Thanks to our club members and their spouses who expressed their support of these families by attending these memorial services.

Santa's Workshop Project
by Art Harrington

Books went to Santa's Workshop project

The children's books our club members brought to the club Christmas Party were all transported



by President Laura to become a part of the Santa's Workshop project of the Academy of Building Industries.

The mini-libraries, rocking chairs and toys the students built, along with the books we donated, were presented to foster children in the community.

Here are some of the photos from that project.

[Laura at the Academy](#)



[President Laura at the Academy's Santa's Workshop](#)

[Academy Santas](#)

Academy Students participating in Santa's workshop included these pictured: Zuylema Flores, James Shoemaker, Serenity Rowland and Jasmine Hickman.



[West Care update](#) *by Art Harrington*

\$1,500 given to West Care

According to Club President Laura Grasse, the generous Christmas contributions, along with the promised match, resulted in a total of \$1,500 being given by our club to West Care.

Thanks to all for your caring!

[Missed issues](#) *by Art Harrington*

Apologies for missed issues

Due to repeated interruptions of the internet connection at our offices, it has proven to be impossible to work remotely on my computer and access the necessary files to create and upload the club bulletin the past two weeks when I have been on the road.

We are working on resolving these frustrating problems.

[From Our Foundation Chairman](#)



A banner day for Rotary and TRF

November 26, 2007 was a banner day for Rotary International and for The Rotary Foundation when on a world-wide press

conference I had the honor to announce the 100 million US dollar Challenge Grant received from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to the PolioPlus Fund. This is by far the largest amount ever received by Rotary and one of the largest given by the Gates Foundation.

The agreement stipulates that during calendar 2008 the 100 million US dollars must be attributed to polio eradication projects. The International PolioPlus Committee (IPPC) will receive as per their usual modus operandi grant applications from UNICEF and WHO. Each application will be vetted by Rotarians in the area where the grant is to be expended and reported back to the IPPC. The IPPC will further look at the application along with input from representatives of WHO and UNICEF and once they are satisfied send their positive decision to the Trustees for their final approval. It is this good business practice of checks and balances that impressed the Gates Foundation.

The second part of the agreement stipulates that Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation match the 100 million US dollars over a three year period. This then is the Challenge. I am certain we can meet this with the support I have sensed as I travel to many parts of the world this year. I have spoken to many long standing Rotarians who continue to be so supportive and to so many new Rotarians and clubs anxious to be part of this historic effort to keep our promise to the children of the world and free them from the scourge of poliomyelitis.

All donations received to the PolioPlus fund dated December 1 2007 or later will be counted towards the Challenge Match.

Photo: Robert Scott, Chairman TRF Trustees, Chairman the International PolioPlus Committee 2007-08