



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Club Web Site

Editor: Art Harrington
If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Upcoming Events

2008-09 Installation Dinner
Jun 26 2008

Club Board Mtg
Jul 9 2008

News

Quote of the Week - Who Said It?

Thought for the Week - Who Said It?

This eBulletin has been generated with the **ClubRunner** club communication software. Visit clubrunner.ca for more details.

© 2002-05 Doxess. All Rights Reserved.

ClubRunner Sponsors



Please visit our Sponsors.
To place your ad [click here](#).

Rotary International Convention

by Art Harrington

RI Convention Vibes



Greetings from the 99th Annual Rotary International Convention in Los Angeles! Being the entertainment capital of the world, the caliber of the performers and performances in conjunction with the main sessions is superlative. From the Canadian Brass and All American Boys Choir highlighting the opening ceremonies on Sunday, to the Pasadena Pops and David Gaines (Phantom of the Opera) featured at the closing ceremony on Wednesday evening, Rotarians from around the world are enjoying some of the best.

However, as great as the entertainment may be, by far the greatest aspect of any Rotary Convention is Rotary itself - seeing and hearing about Rotary's incredible global accomplishments, and experiencing first-hand the incomparable international fellowship of Rotary.

The House of Friendship, "where the Rotary World comes together" is the largest and most diverse ever, with 375,000 square feet, representing five continents with over 300 booths, and two entertainment stages (one that totally features Rotarians). In many ways, though, this House of Friendship is spilling out onto the streets and restaurants of LA. Rotarians are everywhere; and wherever you encounter a member of the Family of Rotary you find a friendly, welcoming smile and a willingness to visit, share and compare Rotary experiences.

The official commemorative project of the LA2008 Convention is Rotary's Wide World of Books. Every Rotarian attending is being asked to donate one or more books that will be presented to public elementary schools in Southern California and Nevada. It is expected to be the largest international book drive ever, putting Rotary in the Guinness Book of World Records.

While there are always a wide variety of breakout sessions each afternoon featuring presentations, panels, workshops and interactive discussion groups on every conceivable Rotary subject, I find the greatest inspiration in each convention comes

from the outstanding Plenary Sessions held each morning. These general sessions are featuring this year such notable speakers as William Asiko, President of the Coca-Cola Africa Foundation at the Coca-Cola Company, Dr. Margaret Chan, director-general of the World Health Organization, Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Anne Veneman, director of UNICEF, and Michael Josephson, one of the most respected ethicists in the United States.

Installation & awards dinner

by Art Harrington



New club officers to be installed June 26

Have you signed up yet to attend our club's 2008 Installation and Awards Dinner? It is being held this year at the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce building on **Thursday, June 26**.

Join us for fellowship and refreshments at 6:00, with dinner being served at 7:00. Crystal Wyncoop, chair of this year's event says the theme and music for the evening will be Caribbean.

Sign-up sheets for the dinner were passed around at last week's club meeting, and they will be circulated again this Thursday if you missed adding your name to the list last week.

The cost of the dinner is traditionally covered for members in their quarterly dues, with the charge for spouses and guests being \$30.

Musical notes

by Art Harrington

A Rotary musical treat!



I heard them first in Chicago at the convention in Rotary's Centennial Year. They were in Salt Lake again last year, and this year they did the pre-session music for the LA Convention's Opening Ceremonies. They are great - and they are coming to Arizona for our District 5490 Conference in Prescott next May 15-17.

Four members of the Rotary Club of Grand Junction, CO, got together one evening in 2001 to play and sing some of the old Kingston Trio songs. And the group now known as **King 'n Trio** was born. Since its inception, the foursome has entertained numerous audiences with their enthusiastic, toe-tapping, sing-along music.

Most impressive, though, over the past seven years this group has managed to raise over \$160,000 for The Rotary Foundation and other charities. In addition, they have contributed to a revival of interest in music in the public schools of Grand Junction, along with introducing Rotary's 4-Way Test in a toe-tapping musical package to the kids in those schools.

Wherever they go, they are a huge hit with Rotary audiences. We are looking forward to their highlighting our own district conference next Spring.

DGND named
by Art Harrington



It's Official!

According to District Governor John King, no club objections or challenges have been filed within the past 30 days since the District Nominating Committee's selection of **Jim Green** to be our DG for 2010-2011.

Consequently, DG John has declared Jim Green to be the official DGND (District Governor Nominee Designate, for those of you who may be new to Rotary's Alphabet Soup).

African opportunity
by Art Harrington

A Rotary African Safari

Most of you received the e-mailed message from our Rotary District 5490. It noted that, as a result of the generosity of D5490 Rotarians toward the well project in Kenya over the past two years, the Maasai leadership has offered to organize a safari trip to Kenya for Arizona Rotarians in September.



If you are interested, you need to act quickly. For information, copy and paste the following address into your browser:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Data/5490/NewsBulletin/1897/2008AfricanSafariOpentoDistrictRotarians.pdf>