

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Caribbean dinner this Thursday

by Art Harrington



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Awards & installation of officers to highlight evening



Our 2008 Awards & Installation Dinner will definitely have a Caribbean flavor! The annual event is being held this Thursday evening at the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce Building. The social hour begins at 6:00, with dinner served at 7:00. It is going to be an evening you won't want to miss!

DGE Charlie Tegarden and Anne will be with us for the evening as our special guests, along with their son Ben. Ben will be flying in from New York that day to attend his father's installation as our next District Governor on Saturday evening.

We have asked Charlie to install our new club officers for the 2008-09 Rotary year. We will be celebrating our club's accomplishments this year, as well as getting a glimpse of the exciting road ahead.

If you have not made your dinner reservations yet, please call Crystal Wynkoop, the event chair, immediately!! Crystal's number is 763-3111.

Serving in LA by Art Harrington

Recognize this pair?

Jim and Willie Richardson took advantage of the opportunity to serve while in LA, and got to see a whole different side of a Rotary International Convention.

They are pictured here in their official red Sergeant-at-Arms vests. In addition to the time they spent attending other sessions and events associated with the convention, Jim and Willie

volunteered for Sgt.-at-Arms duty at several of the plenary sessions. With over 19,000 in attendance at the convention, they were kept busy giving directions and answering lots of questions.

In the record books by Art Harrington

Rotary sets Guiness World Record: 242,624



It's been officially certified by Guiness!

Last week Rotary set a new Guiness World Record by collecting the most books ever in a 7-day period.

A total of <u>242,624</u> children's books were brought from around the world to the Rotary International Convention in Los Angeles. The books are being distributed to school libraries in Southern California and Nevada.

Know someone on wheels?



District seeks wheelchair-bound young professionals

for Group Study Exchange to Australia in Spring 2009

"Have wheels will travel"

sums up Rotarian Darol Kubacz. Fourteen years ago Darol's life changed dramatically due to an injury while serving in the US Army that left him a paraplegic from the chest down. Years after the injury, he was more challenged by finding true purpose in life than by losing the use of his legs. He spent a number of years following his injury trying to figure out that purpose. He found a new identity through adaptive sports and recreation in the ski industry working with other veterans, and founded Freedom for Life, a non-profit organization that introduces people with disabilities to adaptive sports such as skiing, hiking and biking and to the idea of local and international service projects.

A member of Phoenix West Rotary, Darol will be the Group Study Exchange team leader to Australia in the spring of 2009. He is seeking four like-minded, wheelchair-bound non-Rotarians between the ages of 25

to 40 who are capable of independent travel. The program is sponsored and funded by Rotary International, so time is the major investment on the part of team members. A similar team will travel to Arizona from Australia for a four-week cultural and vocational exchange. The teams hope to dissolve perceptions of what it means to be disabled and to build a bridge of knowledge, tolerance and sensitivity with professionals globally. Applications are available on the Rotary International Website, www.rotary.org or from Don Schiller 928-717-1000 schiller@commspeed.net or Darol Kubacz 602-448-9998 darol@fflfoundation.org

Our DG for 2010-11 by Art Harrington

Meet Jim, our DGND

soon to become our DGN

Jim Green, who has been selected to serve as
District Governor of our District 5490 during the 201011 Rotary year, has been a busy guy!

Jim is a Past President of the Sun City Rotary Club, Assistant District Governor of Area 4, a Paul Harris Fellow, President of the Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona, President of Sun City Community Fund, President of Arizona Broadway Theatre and a member of Interfaith Community Care's board and Valley of the Sun United Way Campaign Cabinet.

Jim has a BA in Communications from Ohio State University, MA in Counseling in Higher Education from Kent State University and Ph.D. studies in Counseling Psychology at Case Western Reserve University.

Jim began his career in higher education at Lake Erie College in Painesville, Ohio. He traveled throughout the world recruiting new students, visiting alumnae and garnering gifts from corporations and individuals. From there, Jim went to the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington, were he raised money from alumni in the USA and abroad. Fairleigh Dickinson University in Rutherford, Teaneck and Madison, New Jersey, had three distinct alumni programs. Jim found the challenge to be exciting as well as rewarding. He

moved to Phoenix in 1981 to become development director at Phoenix Urban League, building its annual dinner into the most important business event in Arizona, and working with fellow Rotarian Junius Bowman, grew the annual budget to more than \$8 million. He retired from Sun Valley Lodge in Sun City in 2002.

Foundation support is up by Art Harrington

grams Fund

Great Foundation news!

Since I will be serving as a Rotary Foundation Strategic Advisor for Rotary Zone 25, as of July 1, I regularly receive information on the giving to our Foundation.

As of last Friday, June 20, over \$102 million dollars in contributions to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund have already been processed for the 2007-08 Rotary Year. It appears that we are well on our way to breaking the \$110 million mark by the end of this month!

Overall, worldwide annual giving is up by 15%.

Now that is cause to celebrate!

RLI at Grand Canyon Railway by Art Harrington

Rotary Leadership Institute

Next sessions Sept. 13 in Williams

Debbie Beebe, D5490 Coordinator for RLI, announced this week that the September 13 RLI sessions in Williams will be held at the Grand Canyon Railway. In addition to the meeting rooms she has reserved, a special low rate on the hotel rooms there has been negotiated for participants who want to stay there Friday or Saturday night, or both (\$67.74 per night, including tax).

The Rotary Leadership Institute consists of three oneday sessions held on Saturdays at different locations. At Williams both RLI Sessions 1 and 2 will be offered. Rotary clubs select some of their most outstanding newer members with Rotary leadership potential to send to these facilitated training sessions. Begun as a grass roots training program in Connecticut, the popular and effective program is rapidly spreading around the world.

Our club board selected Crystal Wynkoop to represent our club when the first RLI Session was offered in Phoenix. She is looking forward to attending Session 2 in Williams.