



Service Above Self

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### 2008-09 Board Meeting by Sharon Harrington

## New board meets Wednesday



I would like to remind the new board that we will hold our final planning meeting for the 2008-09 Rotary year at 5:30 p.m on Wednesday, June 11, at Harrington Financial Services.

I also need to remind club members to send me your preferences for the committees you would like to serve on next year. We will be making assignments of club members to committees on the 11th.

- *Sharon Harrington, Pres-Elect*

### On the road again by Art Harrington

## The light local content

My apologies for the small amount of local news in this issue. It is being composed and transmitted to you from a hotel room in Boston, where I have been attending a national securities conference.

I want to thank Bernadette Pires for arranging, on brief notice, to come and explain further to our club how the WeekEND Hunger Backpack Project will work this next school year when our club helps initiate the program in the Coyote Canyon School. We are all elated with the announcement a week ago that our Rotary Foundation has approved the Matching Grant to help fund this project.

I believe this year's board is meeting at 5:30 this Wednesday, June 4, at Mohave State Bank.

### Two PDGs honored by Art Harrington

## Congrats to George & Don



**PDG George Wheeler**, of Peoria, and **PDG Don Schiller**, of Prescott, were specially honored at the District Conference this past weekend. Both were presented Rotary's coveted **Service Above Self Award**.

This is the highest award for service to Rotary and mankind that the Rotary International Board of Directors bestows upon a limited number of outstanding Rotarians each year. Considering that very limited number, it is most unusual that two such recognitions would be awarded in a single Rotary district. However, these are both very worthy recipients. We congratulate them! They are a credit to our district.

**Status Report**  
by Art Harrington



### Rotary in China

In the People's Republic of China (PRC) Rotary is still in a special situation. There are many Rotary clubs in the Special Administration Regions of Hong Kong and Macao. However, due to the lack of legislation on international NGOs, Rotary has not yet been formally extended to mainland China.

It has been agreed with the Chinese, though, that two Rotary clubs (in Beijing and Shanghai) are permitted to function as chartered Rotary clubs in China, provided that the membership is limited to non-PRC nationals, and that they take a low profile until Rotary is formally registered.

The two clubs were chartered on February 8, 2006, and are both functioning very well. They will serve as good models for other new Rotary clubs on the mainland once Rotary becomes formally registered there.

As of January this year, **the Rotary Club of Beijing** has 62 members, including 10 women, with representatives from Germany, USA, Britain, France, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Canada, Chile, Japan, Luxembourg, Ireland, Ukraine, Rwanda, Brazil, Italy and Belgium.

**The Rotary Club of Shanghai** has 66 members, including 9 women), with representatives from Germany, USA, Australia,

Hong Kong, Canada, Singapore, Britain, Ireland, Malaysia, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, India, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand and Spain.

That is a total of 128 Rotarians from 25 different countries. It is interesting to note, though, that a number of these, while holding citizenship in other countries, are ethnic Chinese.

The two clubs are actively involved in a number of matching grants They have participated in GSE and have also sent abroad this year their first student from mainland China as an Ambassadorial Scholar.

Unfortunately, according to a special report submitted to RI Pres. Wilf Wilkinson, there has been no recent progress in the legislation process; and China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs doesn't seem to be in any hurry to approve NGOs entering China. Consequently, the many Chinese who would *like* to become Rotarians are simply having to wait until the government decides to approve NGOs.

**Another Rotary Peace Scholar grad**  
*by Art Harrington*

## *Meet Lee-Anne Mulholland*



A Rotary Peace Scholar Graduate of the University of California-Berkeley, Class of 2004-06, Lee-Anne was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Portadown, Northern Ireland (District 1160). She speaks English, French, and basic Arabic. She holds the degrees of LLB, Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland; Degree of Barrister-at-Law, Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland, and the Doctor of the Science of Law (J.S.D.) from the University of California-Berkeley Law School, along with studies at the Foundation for Human & Humanitarian Rights, Beirut, Lebanon.

She is currently serving as an Associate with Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati Professional Corporation in the Commercial and Securities Litigation, White Collar Crime & Internal Investigations Unit, gaining further legal experience in these specialty fields.

Lee-Anne, having grown up during the 'troubles' in Northern Ireland, is certainly no stranger to mediation, peace and conflict resolution. Indeed, Lee-Anne, a graduate of Queens University of Belfast, began her career at the Bar of Northern Ireland, working as a practicing Barrister-at-Law, focusing mainly on the establishment of post-conflict justice and human rights in a

society badly wrought with discrimination, sectarianism and violence vis-à-vis the litigation of cases in both domestic and international courts under the post-Good Friday Peace Agreement Human Rights Act. Her contribution included work on the infamous 'Bloody Sunday Inquiry' which questioned the actions of state officials surrounding the death of 13 unarmed civilians during a civil rights march in Derry Northern Ireland following the deployment of British troops in the jurisdiction.

As Lee-Anne became more aware of the international role of terrorism, occupation, and the damaging effects of the abuse of human rights to the stability of international relations, she sought to provide the lessons learned by those dealing with terrorism and conflict in her own country to the world community at large, and this has been a defining theme of hers as a Rotary World Peace Fellow.

Much of Lee-Anne's professional experience in law revolves around working in the area of human rights protection. During her internship with the Rotary Center she researched instances in which human rights are denied during visits to Palestinian refugee camps. She also worked with SOLIDE, a sister NGO which focuses their work on Lebanese internees in Syrian prisons.