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GSE TEam here from Bahamas
by Art Harrington

Bullhead Rotary hosts GSE Team

One of the highlights of each Rotary year is the opportunity for our club to host the visiting Group Study Exchange team for a few days while they are here in our district. This year our district is exchanging teams with District 7020 in the Caribbean.



While that huge district spans 10 countries and four territories, this particular GSE Team hails from The Bahamas. An archipelago of some 700 islands and cays covering over 100,000 square miles of ocean between Florida and Hispaniola, The Bahamas has a land area of 5,382 square miles. 300,000 people live there on 22 inhabited islands.

Our visiting GSE Team members will be telling us more about their country when they speak at our club meeting this Thursday, and as they share with their host families. A club social will be held Thursday evening at Jim and Andrea Carpenter's home, to give all of our club members the chance to become better acquainted with the team members and their Rotarian leader.

It is our understanding the team will be taken up to Las Vegas to see the sights on Friday, returning to Bullhead City that evening. Then on Saturday they will be delivered by their host families to the Aquarius Hotel in Laughlin, where they will enjoy a couple days of relaxation that have been arranged for by our district. On Monday (Memorial Day), Sharon and I will be driving the team to meet their next host club, the Rotary Club of Grand Canyon.

Photo: Team Leader Dr. Bridgette Rolle

Elsie Bain, Librarian



Meet our GSE guests

Elsie Bain is employed by The College of The Bahamas as a Librarian. She naturally loves books and enjoys helping people.

Ericka Rolle, Bank Manager

Ericka Rolle is employed by First Caribbean International Bank (Bahamas) Limited. She is a single Mom with an 11-year old son. She enjoys interior decorating, baking and reading.



Tonia Ferguson, Island Teacher



Tonia Ferguson is doing an incredible job teaching children and leading a school environmental program in the small fishing village of Sandy Point on the island of Abaco. She enjoys volunteer work and writing articles for the local newspaper.

Clint Higgs, Math & Computer Teacher

Clint Higgs is an amazing, multi-talented teacher, author, composer and musician. He has a passion for helping youth succeed, and has taught at all levels. Clint coordinates a summer camping program every July on the island of Eleuthera in The Bahamas.



Need a make-up?

by Art Harrington

Needles Rotary in new location

If you need an attendance make-up for missed club meetings, we suggest you check out the Needles Rotary Club's new digs.

The Needles club recently moved their meetings to **Juicy's Restaurant**, located at 2411 Needles Highway. The club meets at noon on Tuesdays.

Waiting to hear from you

by Sharon Harrington

YOUR INPUT IS WANTED!

Remember that letter you received recently,



along with a copy of the club's organizational chart?

I am still waiting to hear from you about the committees you would prefer to serve on for this next Rotary year. So far I have only heard from four club members.

If you did *not* receive the letter and organizational chart, please call me at 763-1440, and we will send you a copy of both. If you *did* receive this mailing, please take a few minutes to review that chart, list your 1st, 2nd & 3rd choices, and fax it to me at 763-2088.

District Conference news

by Art Harrington



Conference is around the corner

Being held at The Point Hilton Tapitio Cliffs Resort, **May 30 - June 1**, DG John King reminds us that the District Conference is rapidly approaching. In fact, it begins next week!!

Conference Chair Craig Wilson just informed us that Dr. Zuhdi Jasser will be the featured speaker on Saturday afternoon. He is Chairman and founding member of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy. Plan to hear his interesting perspective and comments.

Leadership Academy

by Art Harrington

Academy graduates 9 more



Last Saturday I had the privilege of teaching the final workshop for the Arizona Rotary Tri-District Leadership Academy, and participating that evening in the graduation of nine more Arizona Rotary leaders who are now better prepared for district leadership.

As the on-line Academy for past club presidents now closes its 4th year, a total of 38 have survived the rigorous course of instruction and graduated from this elite leadership training program. This year the graduates included 3 from D5490, 3 from D5500 and 3

from D5510.

Academy graduates have gone on to serve their districts as District Committee Chairs, GSE Team Leaders, Assistant Governors and District Governors. This class included the DGN from D5490, Jeanie Morgan, and the DGND from D5510, Glenn Smith. Missing from the photo are Ernie Montagne, Sierra Vista, and Robin Craig, Pinnacle Peak.

Pictured with their diplomas are Sara Jane Feldman, White Tanks; Jeanie Morgan, Havasu London Bridge; Dr. Ruth Lim, Mesa Sunrise; Larry Thornton, Kingman Route 66; Jay McCall, Marana; Glenn Smith, Payson Rim Country; and Ken Kermodé, Ajo.