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A great time with GSE Team!
by Art Harrington

Thanks to our hosts!

A great time was had by all who participated in any way this year with hosting the GSE Team from The Bahamas.



SPECIAL THANKS goes to our five host families for opening their homes to this team - and to [Jim and Andrea Carpenter](#) for another fantastic evening at their home last Thursday!

Lainie and Carl also deserve our appreciation for driving the team to Vegas for the day on Friday, with a stop on the way to see the dam and the new bridge construction project going on there. It was Sharon's and my privilege to be able to drive the team on Monday to Seligman, where we did the hand-off to the Grand Canyon Rotary Club, after lunching at the infamous Road Kill Cafe.

My sincere apologies to team member **Ericka Rolle** (the banker) for my mistake in last week's bulletin. She is a single Mom with an 11-year old **daughter** (*nota* son).

Finally, thanks also to **Randy** for chairing our GSE hosting experience this year.

District Conference this weekend
by Art Harrington



Celebration begins Friday

The District Conference is an incomparable time of celebration for each Rotary district. It is a time to share the great news about what the clubs in our district have been able to accomplish during the past

Rotary year. And it is also a chance for fantastic Rotary fellowship and hearing inspirational speakers.

Being held this year at The Point Hilton Tapitio Cliffs Resort, DG John King and his conference committee promise another memorable experience will be in store for all who attend this year's conference.

Even if you can only go down and plug in for a day, Saturday at the conference would be worth your time and gas to check out Rotary's high point of the year - the District Conference!

Jackpot!

by Art Harrington

GRANT IS FUNDED!

for our Coyote Canyon School Project



IT'S HAPPENING!! Our club's dream and plan to extend the ***WeekEND Hunger Backpack Project*** to the Coyote Canyon School in our community is becoming a reality. It's happening for this next 2008-09 school year because of the magic of Rotary - and our Rotary Foundation!

In partnership with the Rotary Club of Valle de Cuernavaca, in Cuernavaca, Mexico, we submitted a Matching Grant proposal this year to our Rotary Foundation. We were informed on Wednesday this past week that our MG #65651 has been funded. Our club's \$3,000 is being leveraged into the projected \$12,477.50 we expect it will take to fund this program for the first year.

This project has been the dream of ***Laura Grasse***, our club president this year; and she will be chairing this hands-on project next year as the dream becomes real for these at-risk kids.

Part of the challenge this next year will be to help fill the backpacks with the food that these kids will be taking home with them each weekend during the year. The rest of the challenge will be for us all to help raise awareness and community support for this project, with

both individual and corporate sponsors, so it can be successfully funded in future years. We are committed to not only starting the program, but to its future success.

Bernadette Pires, the river region director for Communities in Schools of Nevada, our experienced partner in this project, will be at our club meeting this week to tell us more about the project, and to answer questions.

Bonanza!

by Art Harrington



Niger grant is funded, too!

After learning on Wednesday that our Coyote Canyon School project grant had been funded, we were informed on Friday that *Matching Grant #67577* for our project in Niger, West Africa, has also been funded by our Rotary Foundation!

The Foundation award for this grant is \$17,236. The total cost of the project is \$45,106. Our BC Rotary's contribution is \$2,500. We are in partnership on this project with the Rotary Club of Niamey-Croix du Sud, the Rotary Club of Sierra Vista Sunrise, the Rotary Club of Phoenix East, the Rotary Club of Sierra Vista, the Rotary Club of Mitchell, the Rotary Club of Colima, the Rotary Club of Rio Rico, the Rotary Club of Villa de Alvarez and Rotary Districts 5500 and 5610.

This project is being undertaken with the help and cooperation of the U.S. Peace Corps.

***What will be accomplished?* We will be providing badly-needed water wells, latrines, student desks and benches, along with health education for several villages throughout the country of Niger.**

Only through Rotary and our Rotary Foundation

are such incredible dreams made real day-after-day around the globe.

Have you made your contribution to our Rotary Foundation yet this year?

Looking ahead
by Sharon Harrington

Serving on the Dream Team



Don't miss your chance to help ***Make Dreams Real*** during this next Rotary year, beginning July 1st - by choosing the position you want to play on our ***"Dream Team."***

Be assured that next year is going to be a ***major happening*** year for Bullhead City Rotary. We already have the key team leaders in place who are committed to making things happen for BC Rotary in a ***BIG*** way for the 2008-09 Rotary year.

Time is running out for you to pick your position on the team. On June 11 we will be meeting to assign club members to committees.

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, again I urge you to please take a few minutes to review that chart, list your 1st, 2nd & 3rd choices, and fax it to me at 763-2088.

- ***Sharon Harrington, Pres-Elect***

Coming up August 16
by Art Harrington



"Pirates of the Colorado"

will be the theme of this year's Bullhead City River Regatta.

Mark your calendars: This year's gala event is slated for Saturday, August 16.

The best decorated float overall wins \$500, plus a

trophy. The entry fee will be \$12 for adults and \$6 per child (ages 8-17). The floating fun begins at Community Park and ends 8 miles downstream at Rotary Park. Check-in is at 7:00 a.m., with the start scheduled for 9:00.

A **"Ya Gotta Regatta"** Pre-Registration Party is being held Friday night at Community Park, from 5:00 to 11:00 p.m.

All roads lead to LA
by Art Harrington

Are you going to LA?



Rotarians from around the world are!

The Rotary International Convention is being held in Los Angeles - almost in our backyard - June 15-18.

Are you going to LA?

We sure are! We wouldn't miss it for the world!

Charlie's inauguration
by Art Harrington



Want in on the fun?

The installation of Charlie Tegarden as our next District Governor will be happening on Saturday, June 28, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

We mention this because the inauguration of our favorite Kingman Rotarian as our next GUV will be held at the Brunswick Hotel in Kingman that evening, and seating is limited to a maximum of 90. If you want in on the fun, you need to send in your \$35 dinner reservation to the Kingman Route 66 Rotary Club **ASAP**.

Bullhead City Rotarians are invited, but it's first come - first served on the dinner reservations.