



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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 Club Web Site

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### Future Speakers

**May 17 2007**

Lee Christiansen  
"New WARMC CEO"

**May 24 2007**

Laura Grasse  
"Club Business Meeting"

### Upcoming Events

**Installation of Officers**

Jun 29 2007

**Club Christmas Party**

Dec 7 2007

### News

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### Another outstanding GSE experience

by Art Harrington

## Now, was that great, or what?!



From the time we took the hand-off of the Danish GSE Team on Sunday, it has been a fast-paced, fun-filled adventure in making wonderful new friends for everyone involved. What a thrill it is to be a participant in one of these Rotary Foundation sponsored exchanges!

First on the agenda was a trip to visit historic Oatman, an authentic western Ghost Town and Mining Camp with a rowdy history stretching back more than a hundred years. Between petting the panhandling wild burros, dodging the bullets of the trigger-happy gunslingers, and consorting with the ladies dressed in 1890's style, it was a memorable afternoon for all.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, the venerable past president Mike Conner was setting up the tables and chairs and readying the grill for a typical BC backyard barbecue. It was a great setting for a fantastic evening of Rotary fun and fellowship. We even had our own outdoor video show, as the team leader and members shared with us pictures of their homes and communities back in Denmark. The food was great, and the fellowship the best. Capping it off was a moving musical tribute to her Danish homeland by Winnie.

Then on Monday it was time to fulfil the team's request to see Las Vegas. We suspect that Kelly and Michelle must have somehow contributed to the team's delinquency, since it is reported they did not get back to BC until 3:30 the next morning.

There was no time for sleeping in on Tuesday morning, though. Radio and TV appearances were slated to begin at 9:00 a.m. It was a full morning - too full, in fact, to make it over for the planned tour of Terry Kelly's digs at Mohave Community College. There was barely time for lunch to settle before it was time to gather up the hats and swim gear, and assemble for the scenic, refreshing (and exhausting) kayak trip down the Colorado River from Davis Camp to Rotary Park. The weather was perfect for the event! And waiting at Rotary Park was the Master Hot Dog Chef Terry Kelly with his crew. After pulling the kayaks and their soggy jockeys from the river, it was time again to chow down on super-sized dogs, with all the trimmings.

What a great and enjoyable team this was from Denmark! It was a treat to be able to host them. Special thanks to Mike Conner for hosting the backyard BBQ on Sunday, to Terry Kelly for arranging for the kayak adventure and engineering the cookout at Rotary Park.

***We also want to especially thank those who served as host families for our visiting team:***

Team Member



**Christina Nielsen - hosted by  
Lainey Shimpa**

Team Member

**Morten Boehm** - *hosted by Alan & Debbie Callner*



Team Member



**Winnie Christiansen** - *hosted by Kelly & Kris Burgess*

Team Member

**Jens Laursen** - *hosted by Karmen & Mauricio Case*



Team Leader



**Theoger Nielsen** - *hosted by Kari Hoffman & Rich*

**Club Treasurer's Note**

*by Art Harrington*

## Quarterly invoices in the mail

Quarterly invoices were mailed to all club members this week.

If you do *not* receive one of these invoices by Monday, please call Sharon or Art Harrington at 763-1440.

Since Sharon is undergoing knee replacement surgery next Tuesday, please leave a message, *along with your name and correct mailing address*, with their office staff, if Sharon or Art are in the office when you call. A replacement invoice will be mailed to you.

**Fannie speaks this Thursday**



**FANNIE CHOU - Part II**

**Don't miss our**

## Rotary Exchange Student's outstanding program

**this Thursday!**

From the conference chair

**Time is short - register today!**



Registration cost for the District Conference is now \$190 per person. You can register on-line via the D5490 website ([www.rotary5490.org](http://www.rotary5490.org)) Remember that you must make your room reservations separately with the hotel (1-800-352-4386) and ask for the special Rotary rate.

There are still a few openings for the Golf Tournament in Flagstaff on Friday morning. Get your form in today, and join in the fun. (Golf forms are also available on the website.)

- Sara Jane Feldman, Conference Chair

A message from our President



**Rotarians have the faith  
& courage to believe they  
can make a difference**

Last year in Copenhagen, Denmark, I began a speech by quoting from the sundial that stands outside Union Station by Alameda Street in Los Angeles, a historic part of that city. The inscription on the sundial reads, ***Vision to see, faith to believe, courage to do.***

That line struck me as a perfect representation of what is required of us to be successful in Rotary. We must see the needs around us, believe we can make a difference, and step forward to act.

Over and over throughout this year, Lorna and I have seen Rotarians who have done all of this. They have had the vision to see - to look at their community and to look even more broadly at the global village.

But that vision alone is not enough. It is essential that we as Rotarians have the faith to believe we can make a difference.

We see so many statistics that horrify us: how many are hungry, how many are illiterate, how many are denied access to clean water and sanitation. It would be so easy to say these problems are too great for us to attempt to solve.

***But as Rotarians, we do not walk away from these tremendous challenges.***

***Not only do we have that faith to believe we can make a difference, we have the courage to do. That courage is the difference between dreaming great dreams and putting them into action.***

***- RI President Bill Boyd***