

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Interact tops all

by Art Harrington



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MHS Interact wins CSA

Our Mohave High School Interact Club was recently selected as the recipient of this year's coveted Community Service Award. (Yes, they beat out Rotary, Kiwanis and all of the other service organizations in this area!) Now that's pretty impressive!!

For any who may have assumed that Interact just throws parties and has a good time at school, you may want to take a closer look at this outstanding high school service organization our club sponsors. The list of their activities and projects each year is extensive.

We extend special congratulations to last year's Interact President, **Ashley Burgess**. (Yes, you guessed it: she is the daughter of Rotarian Kelly and Kris Burgess).

When thinking about that Arizona tax credit you can get for donating to public schools, we heartily recommend donating the full amount (\$200 per individual; \$400 per couple) to Mohave High School, designated for the MHS Interact Club and their projects. Needless to say, they have been doing some pretty worthwhile things to earn that CSA recognition.

Interact President

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Allison Rains leads Interact President of the MHS Interact Club this year is

Allison Rains, the lovely and delightful daughter of Rotarian Sharon Rains and Brian. She has some Interact this year, and she is already demonstrating

big plans for Interact this year, and she is already demonstrating her leadership abilities. Last week 75 students showed up for the club's first meeting; and with Allie's challenge, most of them signed on as members. Allison likes any and all sports. She enjoys the outdoors and likes to camp and hike. She says, "My family also has quads, and as a family we like to go four-wheeling." Outside of Interact she is involved with soccer and volleyball, as well national honor society.

In addition to her life and leadership at school, Allie also holds a part time job as the office receptionist in her mom's insurance office.

Her personal goals for this year's Interact Club include keeping the membership strong throughout the year. She says, "Our overall attendance seems to decline after a time, and I want to maintain our numbers throughout the year." She adds, "I also would like so see MHS Interact be named Community Service Group of the Year for the second year in a row.

Allie is also committing to be the primary liaison this year between the Interact Club and our Rotary Club — something new this year to help strengthen the relationship between our clubs.

BHC River Regatta

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River Regatta is Saturday

ALL HANDS ON DECK!



One of our Interact Club officers asked this week, "Is Rotary kind of getting stressed over this River Regatta? I'm not even in Rotary, and I'm getting stressed about it!"

Yeah — we *are* getting a bit stressed, as our club gears up to handle one of the largest fund-raisers we have ever attempted.

We may have 7,000 or more participating this Saturday in the **Bullhead City River Regatta**, on the Colorado River.

F loating entries will begin launching from Community Park at 7:30 on Saturday morning, August 29, and will arrive downstream at Rotary Park approximately 3-4 hours later.

We are responsible for feeding the paid participants, plus running a soft drinks and water concession, coordinating the vendors and exhibitors and operating the Bouncy Castle.

Thankfully, a number of the Interact Club members will be on hand to assist us, but we need as many more volunteers as we can recruit — in addition to our club members. Plan to show up and work from 8:00 - 5:00 on Saturday.

We also need as many volunteers as we can get to help with the unloading of chairs and tables and the setting up the dance floor, stage and other things on Friday afternoon, between 3:00 and 5:00.

For more information about how you can help, call Shirin McGraham at 763-9339 or Stephanie Moore at 763-7677.

Rotary Leadership Institute

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Next RLI is in Prescott

The next sessions here in District 5490 of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) are being held in Prescott on Saturday, September 12, at

the Hassayampa Inn.

At the last RLI, held in Phoenix, our club was well-represented by Willie Richardson, Chuck McMurry and David Brush. They completed at that time the first level of RLI, "Introduction to Rotary Leadership." Session 2 is "Rotary Leadership in the New Millennium," and Session 3 is "The Challenge of Rotary in its Second Century." All three levels will be offered on Sept. 12 in Prescott.

If there are others who may be interested in this remarkable training program that is sweeping the Rotary World, let Paul Stubler or Art Harrington know. The club is willing to cover the cost of your participation in this training as an investment in you as a future club leader.

TRF Announcement

Art named RRFC for Zone 26



It was recently announced by The Rotary Foundation that **Art Harrington** has been appointed to the position of Rotary Regional Foundation Coordinator (RRFC) for the new Zone 26.

Rotary International has 34 Zones worldwide, and those Zones have been realigned, effective July 1, 2009. The new Zone 26 encompasses all of Arizona, Southern Nevada, Central and Southern California and Hawaii.

As the RRFC, a 3-year appointment, Art will "serve as a key volunteer resource on all general Foundation matters, program and financial, and serve as a vital link between Rotarians and the Secretariat." There is a lengthy list of his functions and responsibilities, and he will be trained for the position at Rotary's international headquarters in Evanston, IL. While his term officially begins next July 1, he is already being enlisted to do additional TRF training in the new zone.

D-Backs team up with Rotary

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Have you bought your tickets yet?

Remember, Larry Thornton, from the Kingman Route 66 Rotary Club, says he will *PERSONALLY DELIVER* tickets to you for the AZ Diamondbacks vs Colorado Rockies baseball game on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 20.

This is the special **Arizona Rotary End Polio Now Awareness Day** at Chase Field, when we need to have as many Rotarians as possible in the stands.

\$10 from each ticket we sell goes to Rotary's **End Polio Now** Campaign — along with the profits from the sale of the special Commemorative End Polio Now Awareness Day T-Shirts that we are encouraging everyone to buy and wear in the stands that day (cost is \$10).

Tickets for the game are \$25 or \$35 — depending on where you want to sit in the stadium.

DEADLINE: August 28th for purchasing tickets

Call Art or Sharon Harrington at 763-1440 if you would like to have Larry personally deliver your tickets to you.