



Service Above Self

Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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Interact Mtg 7:30am MHS T-124

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Club Forum

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Coming up this Thursday

by Art Harrington

Vocational talks continue

Mike Byrd and **Crystal Wynkoop** will be sharing with us at this week's meeting their vocational talks. We will learn more about them, their professions, and what is happening of interest in their fields today.



Didn't **Ed Marin** and **Dana Rice** do a great job with their talks last week? Some of the best programs in any Rotary club are those brought by their members.

Also speaking this Thursday



Also on tap this Thursday will be the effervescent **Crystal Wynkoop**. Chosen as our club's "Rotarian of the Year," she will be telling us more about the changes that are occurring in her profession in the current economy.

Jailbird

by Art Harrington

President's arrest proves profitable

The "arrest" of our club president, **Sharon Harrington**, netted \$600 for the March of Dimes last week.



The funds were raised from friends and clients for her "bail."

Monday's delivery schedule

by Art Harrington



Are you included in this project?

If not, why not?

Hats off to Stephanie Moore, our Community Service Chair, who has 16 of our club members lined up so far to help deliver backpacks to five schools, as partners in the Legacy Backpack Project, next Monday, August 11.

Here is the list of the schools and the scheduled times:

- **Mountain View Elementary - 9 AM**

Ed Marin, Sharon Harrington, Art Harrington, Joe Heath, Frank Hart & Mike Rubell

- **Diamondback Elementary - 10:15 AM**

Sharon Rains, Michael Bell, Joe Heath & Stephanie Moore

- **Mohave Accelerated - 11:00 AM**

Dan Oehler, Joe Heath, Crystal Wynkoop & Larry Morse

- **Coyote Canyon Elementary - 2:00 PM**

Joe Heath, Chuck McMurray, Paul Stubler & Laura Grasse

- **Sunrise Elementary - 2:45 PM**

Joe Heath, Chuck McMurray & Elaine Sdhimpa

Stephanie says, "It will take about 20 minutes at each school. Please don't miss the opportunity to see these children smile!"

Follow Joe Heath's enthusiastic lead! Sign up to help at one of these schools at this Thursday's club meeting.

A big thanks from Interact
by Art Harrington

Moving the Rock!

Our MHS Interact Club managed to come up with 5 tons of donated rock for the Sara Hargrove Memorial area at Mohave High School.



The Problem? The donated rock was sitting in a driveway up in Desert Foothills, and had to be moved

ASAP!

A big thanks to **Tom Dallman** with his Bobcat, **Karl Jones** with his dump truck and **Steve Moss** with his shovel (what else do you expect an attorney to have?). Together, with the help of Rotary Interact Advisor **Kari Hoffman** and MHS Faculty Interact Adviser **Vanessa Buus**, the rock was moved.

Rotary to the rescue!

Update on RYE student
by Art Harrington



Lydia Cheng back in Taiwan

Lydia Cheng, one of District 5490's Rotary Youth Exchange students living in Lake Havasu City, suffered a near drowning accident on July 9. She was in a Las Vegas hospital until July 22, when she was transported to a hospital in Taiwan, her native country. She remains in serious but stable condition. Due to the brain injury she sustained from her accident, her long term prognosis for complete recovery is poor. It is likely that she will need constant care for the remainder of her life.

Since in-home care is not covered in Taiwan, once she leaves the hospital her family must assume the cost of her care. Therefore our Rotary District will leave the Lydia Cheng Fund open for donations indefinitely. If you would like to donate to help the Cheng family with the huge financial burden they are expected to have for many years, please go to the Lydia Cheng Fund on this website to donate:

<http://youthexchange.eventbrite.com>.

Photo: Lydia (right) with RYE friends here in Arizona before her accident

Making your donations count

A Gift - A Girl - A Goat

This is an amazing story about lifting a child out of poverty and illiteracy and stunningly setting the course of change. and it's the a story of having the power to make a difference .. to transform lives. It's about the kind of things Rotary does each day through our Rotary Foundation.



Yes! This is the true story of a goat that was a gift that eventually

sent a little girl to college! Her family had spent generations living in abject poverty and Beatrice was right on track to become another African woman with no hope nor escape from the life before her.

A non-governmental agency (NGO) called [The Heifer International Organization](http://www.heifer.org) (<http://www.heifer.org>) was the catalyst for the change. This is a wonderful organization whose goal is to alleviate world hunger, and is dedicated to the work of justice and peace around the world.

On the other side of the world in Niantic, Connecticut USA , the children of a local church wanted to donate to a good cause and they bought a goat (US \$120.00) through Heifer International that eventually found it's way to Beatrice's family. Beatrice was living with her mother and five younger siblings in a rural Ugandan village in Africa .

Mugisa the goat (whose name means Luck) provided the benefits of nutrition and income from her milk. With the sale of her milk, Beatrice's mother was able to send her to school. Beatrice's mother also passed on the gift of the first female baby goat to another family who was in need, continuing the benefits of income and nutrition to another family in their village.

Granted, foreign assistance doesn't always work and is much harder than it looks. "I won't lie to you. Corruption is high in Uganda," Beatrice acknowledges. A crooked local official might have distributed the goats by demanding that girls sleep with him in exchange. Or Beatrice's goat might have died or been stolen. Or unpasteurized milk might have sickened or killed Beatrice.

In short, millions of things could go wrong. But when there's a good model in place, they often go right. That's why villagers in western Uganda recently held a special Mass and a feast to celebrate the first local person (Beatrice Biira) to earn a college degree in America. Moreover, Africa will soon have a new asset: a well trained professional to improve governance. Beatrice plans to earn a master's degree at the Clinton School of Public Service in Arkansas and then return to Africa to work for an aid group.

The challenges of global poverty often seem insurmountable. Working with the Rotary Foundation, through its Humanitarian Grants helps change lives dramatically. Smaller clubs are able to utilize matching grant money and do projects similar to 'Beatrice's Goat'.

It's important to contribute to our TRF Annual Programs Fund. Through your contributions you can help to make a difference in the world.

Photo: Beatrice with her goat

And the rest of the story



Beatrice Biiri from Uganda

First college graduate ever from her village!

Board meeting reminder

by Art Harrington

Board meets Wednesday

Club board members are reminded that the board meets

this Wednesday, March 6, at 5:30 p.m. at Harrington
Financial Services.