



Service Above Self

## Rotary Club of Bullhead City eBulletin

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### Upcoming Events

**Interact Mtg 7:30 MHS T-124**  
Aug 15 2007

**District Gov. John King**  
Aug 23 2007

**BCRC Board Meeting**  
Sep 5 2007

**Club Christmas Party**  
Dec 7 2007

### News

Quote of the Week - Who Said It?

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**The word from the Prez**  
by Laura Grasse

## WOW!

### The backpack distribution was a great success!



Thanks to Joe Heath, Kelly Burgess and Karmen Case for their help, along with Karmen's mom that helped with handing out backpacks to all 3 grades at Coyote Canyon within an hour Monday morning. Boy it was great to see the kids faces! Some were thrilled and smiling while, some looked totally lost the first day of school, mostly the kindergartners.

God Bless all the teachers that work with these children everyday. I told Kelly maybe we were looking at the next President of the US, you never know!

**Regatta Rules**  
by Art Harrington



## BC River Regatta is Saturday, August 18

Here are some of the Regatta Rules:

- No children under age 10 may enter the float
- Teams must have one adult 18 years of age or older
- Base of float must be on inner tues
- Float only will be judged
- Float must pass check point to be eligible for trophy
- Float check point is north of the non-motorized launch ramp at Rotary Park
- All entries must cross the finish line by 2:30 p.m.
- Disqualifications for:

- Using fins, paddles or other type of hand or foot gear
  - Using any mechanical propellants
  - Disposing of or sinking any foreign materials in the river
  - Dunking, upsetting or purposely deflating tube of another
  - Requesting & receiving unnecessary tow from Patrol Boat
  - Floats that are towed prior to check point, except as necessary
  - **NOT WEARING A LIFE JACKET!**
- Prizes will be awarded at ceremony following Regatta at 3:00

A gubernatorial invitation

### Fellow Rotarians,

District 5490 is fortunate in having an Ambassadorial Scholar from Japan this year. Her name is Kozue Tsuzuki and she is attending Thunderbird Graduate School. She is coming on August 18 on United flight 1540 and will arrive in Phoenix at 3:02 p.m.



I would hope that as many of you as possible would join me in greeting her at the airport.

Serving Rotary,

**John King**

District Governor

The Rotary Leadership Institute  
by Art Harrington



## RLI comes to Arizona

The Rotary Leadership Institute, developed initially for the Rotary clubs in northeastern United States, is rapidly spreading now across the country and to other parts of the world. RLI is now also coming to Arizona, under the sponsorship and administration of our Arizona Rotary Tri-District PETS organization.

**What is RLI?** It is a phenomenally successful leadership training programs for Rotarians. It is an outstanding opportunity for each club to improve the Rotary knowledge of some of its key people.

In three 1-day courses, held on selected Saturdays, in several different locations around the state, newer Rotarians with a potential for club leadership can gain an excellent overview of our incredible organization. For our district, we understand the successive courses will be offered in Lake Havasu, Phoenix and Williams. The same courses will also be offered in other locations in southern Arizona. So if a participant has a conflict attending one of the courses in his/her own district, it is possible to catch the same course at a location in another district.

**What kind of subjects are covered?** Sessions include:

"The Perfect Meeting," "Rotary Beyond the Club," "The Rotary Foundation" (2 parts), "Membership Development & Retention" (2 parts), "Leadership" (four parts), "Creating Hands On Service Projects," "Vocational Service," "International Service," "Analyzing a Rotary Club," "Creative Service," "Public Relations," "Public Speaking" - and more.

**Who are the faculty?** Faculty members are carefully selected experienced Rotary leaders from around the state who have undergone additional special training to teach in this unique program. Interactive and facilitated learning methods are utilized, with very limited lecturing. A course workbook, including an Institute Manual, session program agenda, faculty listings and course outlines & materials, is provided to each Institute participant.

**How are RLI participants selected?** Each Rotary club is encouraged to select two of its Rotarians who have demonstrated the greatest potential for club leadership, and to send them to the Rotary Leadership Institute. Clubs are encouraged to pay the nominal RLI fees for their participants.

*We will be sharing more about this remarkably successful program in upcoming issues.*

Our Foundation investment at work

## Helping to rebuild Iraq



### *Peace Scholar uses Rotary training*

The conflict tearing at Iraq doesn't deter former

**Rotary World Peace Fellow Miho Kishitani** from trying to build peace in that country. In fact, the violence indicates the region's need for help, and it draws her there.

As a country representative for Peace Winds Japan, a nongovernmental organization (NGO) dedicated to helping

people devastated by war, poverty, or natural disaster, Kishitani could've worked in any number of areas. But I chose Iraq," she says. "I wanted to gain field experience so I could understand the domestic nature of conflict. I chose the most challenging area, which was northern Iraq."

Kishitani manages and coordinates reconstruction programs in Iraq focusing on education, social care, and health, water, and sanitation. From her base in Amman, Jordan, she runs two offices with a local staff of 80 and a budget of US\$4 million.

Whether it's the occupying forces, UN agencies, NGOs, or domestic factions, balancing the interests of the many groups in Iraq can make Kishitani's job seem more like a tightrope act. She often draws on the diplomatic and conflict resolution skills she learned as a Rotary World Peace Fellow to accomplish her program's goals.

"Every stakeholder in Iraq has a different mandate and policy, which sometimes are in opposition to the wishes of Iraqis," Kishitani explains. "My job is to bring together the donors and beneficiaries while meeting everyone's objectives."

-- From an article by Maureen Vaught, [Rotary International News](#)

*PHOTO: Miho Kishitani (left) and members of her staff check on a project in Sulaimaniya, Iraq, in February 2006 that will provide water to 300,000 people.*