

President's Message

What an exciting time for Tempe Leadership and our alumni! We have just recognized Sharon Doyle class XVI with the Tempe Leadership Community Leadership award, we are holding the Class XXIV recruitment reception March 18th and the Conversations in Leadership luncheon April 25th has another all star line up. Wow! It certainly makes me proud to be working with such a dedicated group of volunteers and Board members.

Here again is another chance for you to change from concept to action. We have lots going on and you are the one that will enable the good work to continue.

Here is the list of ways you can get involved and make a difference in Tempe that won't cramp your style – in fact it may enhance your style....

- ❖ Bring a friend, colleague, neighbor to the Recruitment reception March 18th.
- ❖ Purchase a table, have your company sponsor the event or attend the Conversations in Leadership luncheon April 25th with your classmates and laugh about the experiences you had during your class year.
- ❖ Send an e-mail expressing your interest for being on the Board of Directors, assisting Tempe Youth Leadership, or Tempe Cares next year.
- ❖ Write an article for the newsletter about how your experience with Tempe Leadership has helped you in your endeavors be they personal or professional.
- ❖ Send an alumni update with a picture so we know the great things you are involved in – we want to know what you are up to.

As we were presenting Sharon with her award the comment was made that Sharon has taken what she was exposed to during the Tempe Leadership program, the relationships she has made and moved into action, creating substantive results for Tempe by linking her passion to a new found sphere of influence. What a perfect wish for all of us.

Yours in Action,

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Class XXII's "Modern Wellness" Unveiled at Tempe Marketplace!

On February 20, 2008, Tempe Leadership Class XXII unveiled its class project entitled "Modern Wellness." Located in The District at Tempe Marketplace, "Modern Wellness" is an iconic art piece that operates as a wishing well to help people in need in Tempe. Collected change will be donated to the Tempe Community Foundation, an endowment fund to provide resources to nonprofits delivering vital human services.



Class XXII's "Modern Wellness" joins Class XV's "Town Lake Binoculars" and Class XVIII's "Roadrunner Bank" as community art pieces that have generated over \$8,000 for human service nonprofits. These projects serve to inspire and educate visitors and Tempeans on the importance of giving back to community.

Submitted by Jayson Matthews, Class XXII

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Chamber Champions Honored

Every year the Tempe Chamber recognizes the Chamber's best of the best at their Breakfast for Chamber Champions. This year many of the award recipients were Tempe Leadership alumni. We can all be proud of our colleagues and the successes they are enjoying. Specifically the following award recipients:

Bobbie Cassano, Class VI and Tempe Leadership past president and President of Cassano & Associates, and **Don Cassano**, Tempe Leadership Board Member, winners of the Tempe Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Tempe Award.



Mary Ann Miller, President & CEO of the Tempe Chamber of Commerce with **Lorraine Bergman**, Class XII and President of Caliente Construction, winner of the Tempe Business of the Year Award.

Mary Ann Miller, CEO & President of the Tempe Chamber of Commerce with **Heidi Vail**, Class XXII and CEO of Heidi's Events and Catering, winner of the Tempe Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year Award.



Since May 1990, Tempe Leadership has presented the Community Leadership Award to honor those whose many contributions improve our quality of life in Tempe. The award is for those citizens who make significant contributions in multiple ways, who positively impact a group of people through volunteerism and who demonstrate leadership.

Sharon Doyle, Class XVI, was this year's recipient of the Community Leadership Award. For those of you who have yet to meet Sharon – here is some information on our 2008 award recipient.



Sharon is a second-generation Arizonan who has always had a passion for education and Tempe. She is extremely active in community service and currently serves on sixteen different committees and organizations. She is a graduate of Tempe Leadership Class XVI and is the President of the Tempe High School District Education Foundation, Vice-President of the Tempe Impact Education Foundation and is active on the Tempe City Council's Education, Technology and Economic Development Committee. Her true passion is linking people and programs together and believes that it is her ability to serve on diverse committees, organizations and boards that have enabled her to see success after success come to life for the children and residents of Tempe.

Sharon embodies what Tempe Leadership stands for and hopes to promote within our community. Congratulations Sharon Doyle, Tempe Leadership's Community Leadership Award recipient.



Kathleen Clark, President of Tempe Leadership presenting **Sharon Doyle**, Class XVI, with the Outstanding Tempe Community Leadership Award.

Save the Date!

Tempe Leadership's Second Annual "Conversations in Leadership"

Friday, April 25th at the Buttes * Lunch (11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)

This year we are honored to have Congressman Harry Mitchell, Bill Post, Chairman/CEO of Pinnacle West Capital Corporation and ASU's Vice President of University Athletics, Lisa Love as our guest panelists for "Conversations in Leadership". This lively, casual and informative dialogue will focus on how these amazing individuals became leaders, mentors and distinguished community supporters. Our moderator will be Cary Pfeffer and this year we expect more than 300 people in attendance.

Plan your Friday April 25th calendar around this lunch time event – you and your colleagues won't want to miss it.

If you would like to be a sponsor or purchase a table, please contact Renee Lopata at renee@tempechamber.org.

Printed and e-mailed invitations will be coming your way at the end of March. We look forward to seeing you there.

Tempe Cares Projects Completed

Tempe Cares, a project of Tempe Leadership, accomplished two different projects this year. One project was in partnership with the Tempe Parks and Recreation Department at Kiwanis Park. The other project was in partnership with Childsplay, the nationally renowned children's theater group at their new administrative offices and educational facility at Mitchell School. Tempe Cares took place on Saturday, March 1st from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Tempe Cares volunteers worked to improve the landscape environment that is part of the children's playground on the north side of Kiwanis Park. Old and dead shrubbery was first removed by Parks staff. Volunteers planted new trees, plants and shrubbery in and around the children's playground significantly enhancing the children's experience at the park. Decomposed granite was added as a finishing touch.

At Mitchell School, now named the Sybil B. Harrington Campus of Imagination and Wonder, Tempe Cares volunteers painted the non-brick exterior of the building including doors, window frames, ceilings and supporting poles. Childsplay provided the paint but did not have budget dollars to do the painting. They looked to Tempe Cares to lend a helping hand.



Approximately 300 volunteers were assigned to these two efforts. As usual, a Tempe Cares T-shirt, continental breakfast and lunch was provided to the volunteers. Tempe Cares was very pleased to be enhancing facilities that serve to improve and provide for the physical and cultural well being of our youth. Childsplay management and board members were very surprised and appreciative at the number of volunteers that Tempe Cares draws and the excellent work they accomplished. Similarly, Parks & Recreation management was very pleased to have been able to utilize Tempe Cares volunteers to make a positive difference in a park that is heavily used by Tempe citizens.

The Tempe Cares Planning Committee was chaired once again by Dale Despain (Class XV). Other committee members included Rebecka Johnson (Class XX), Zach Berning (Class XX), Hassan Elsaad (Class XVIII), Mark Simmons (Class XXI), Gary Roberts (Class XXI), Kati Spencer (Class XX), Cyndy Lawshe (Class XIX), Lorraine Bergman (Class XII), Mel Kessler (Class VI), Sue Hahn (Class XXI), Hanan Elsaad, Maureen McGurren, and Eric Bergman.

Tempe Cares wishes to thank TL Class XXIII, TYL Class IX, TL alumni, and all the other volunteers for making a positive impact on the life of Tempe citizens.

*Submitted by Mel Kessler, Class VI,
Site Selection Chairman*

TYL at Tempe Cares

Saturday at Kiwanis was an amazing day. It was uplifting to see so many people come together to make a part of our city more beautiful. I didn't know what to expect going into the project, and was surprised at how hard it was! Somehow, it still turned out to be tons of fun, bonding and laughing with the other members of Tempe Youth Leadership, while getting down in the dirt! I think experiencing something like this together gave us all an appreciation for how hard it is just to maintain our city, and admiration for those people who do this kind of work on a regular basis. However I think our group did an incredible job, and was proud to see how much we had accomplished by the end of the day.

*Submitted by Megan Oberbillig, TYL Class IX
Corona Junior*



Class XXIV Recruitment Reception

Remember when you were first considering Tempe Leadership? Do you remember how much better you felt when you met other people either former or current class members and realized they were like you? Now is your opportunity to bring a guest or two to the Recruitment Reception.

Do you know people who live or work in Tempe and want to give back to their community or are curious about how they can get involved? Remember the Tempe Chamber of Commerce's Tempe Leadership program is the perfect way to help them find their niche and make a difference.

Interested community members can learn more about the program at a reception on **Tuesday, March 18 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Heidi's Events and Catering, 2095 W. 15th Street in Tempe.** Have your guests meet past and current class members and learn about this exciting nine-month program that teaches participants about the strengths, needs and challenges facing Tempe.

Class XXIV will begin in September 2008 and will graduate in May 2009.

The mission of Tempe Leadership is to identify emerging leaders and foster leadership skills through education, experience and service to our community. Tempe Leadership is a program of the Tempe Chamber of Commerce.

If you are interested in learning more and would like to attend this reception, RSVP to the Tempe Chamber at (480) 967-7891. For more information go to www.tempeleadership.org or contact Magdalena Warecka at (480) 736-4281 or magdalena@tempechamber.org.



Visit Tempe Leadership on the web at: www.tempeleadership.org

All alumni have access to the website.

Your **user id** is your **first initial and last name** (e.g. tsmith). Your **initial password** is your **last name**.

The first time you login to the website, please change your password. If you can not remember your password for the Tempe Leadership website, e-mail and we will reset it for you.

TYL Class IX Issue Day Recaps

"Our Town" Day

The Tempe Youth Leadership's "Our Town" day on Saturday, January 12th, was a riveting experience that none of the program's members will forget. We were given the opportunity to see up close and personal not only how a city is built up, but how our city was created. In this experience we were able to get both flavors of downtown Tempe area: the old and the new. Not only did we see construction sites and plans for new condos and entertainment plazas, but also historical buildings such as the famous Tempe Flour Mill. In addition, we got to participate in fun activities such as a scavenger hunt, in which we learned some interesting historical facts about the city of Tempe, and a lunch at Pizzeria Uno.

Personally, my favorite part of the day was seeing this old post office that had been turned into a tasteful local art museum during the scavenger hunt. This was truly an exquisite day where the Youth Leadership Program got up close and personal with their city, and I hope future Leadership classes will be able to take part in the same experience.

Submitted by Alexandria Wald, TYL Class IX Mountain Pointe Sophomore

Police Day

Well, I loved the experience. Just being there and also getting to learn about the many things the Tempe Police Station has to deal with on a regular basis; what these policemen do is AMAZING. I loved getting to experience some of the things as well, such as getting to shoot the targets with a fake gun. Even though I didn't want to, I decided to finally just go for it. At first, I couldn't shoot any of the targets down but then finally started getting the hang of it by the end. I also liked learning about the different ways investigators can track down someone. Now I know about some of the many ways it takes for policemen to deal with these types of situations. I enjoyed the day very much and would like to get to learn more about the other jobs that are offered at the Tempe Police Station.

Submitted by Beatrice Chang, TYL Class IX Corona Sophomore



Class XXIII Issue Day Recaps

Art & History Day

We started the day at the Tempe Historical Museum. The museum was built in 1991 and will soon undergo a renovation. James Burns, Curator of History, gave a presentation on the renovation plans and offered Class XXIII the opportunity to provide input on what gives Tempe its sense of place.

Amy Douglass, Museum Administrator, treated us to a behind the scenes tour of the museum's Research Library and Archives. The Research Library, which can be used by anyone with an appointment, has files on every subject related to Tempe. We walked through the Archives Reading Room and Processing Area. The museum has managed to accumulate a large photographic collection without an acquisition budget. It relies on the community for donations. We walked by a wall of shelves for flat item storage, then entered the 3-dimensional storage area, which is a warehouse containing everything from old farm equipment, to telephones and sewing machines, to signage for the Valley National Bank.



We left the museum and walked to the Edna Vihel Center for a hands-on pottery class. There's a lot of talent in Class XXIII. We learned about the opportunities for public art in Tempe and viewed some examples on the walls of the Tempe library.

After lunch, we met at the Tempe Center for the Arts. Don Fassinger, Cultural Facilities Manager, led us on a tour of the theater, studio, gallery and glass-walled Lakeside room. It was very interesting to hear about the challenges that were faced in completing this work of art and engineering.

Submitted by Shirley McKean, Class XXIII

Call for Tempe Leadership Board Nominations

Do you know someone who would make a great leader for Tempe Leadership?

The nominating committee is currently meeting. Board members serve a three-year term.

If you have suggestions for possible Board candidates, please submit their names no later than **Friday, March 14, 2008** to Beth Fiorenza, TL Past President by e-mail to bethf@tempeaction.org.



Legal Day

We met at the Tempe City court on January 18, 2008. We were greeted by Mark Stodola, Rich Rager and Judge Arkfeld, the presiding City Judge. They described the issues handled by the City Court which include criminal misdemeanors, DUI's, minors in possession, civil traffic violations, photo enforcement and downtown issues that affect the police and court. Stating that Tempe City Court is the fourth largest City Court in the State for the volume of traffic offenses handled.

Judge Arkfeld spoke about the mental health court that she conducts. This is the only one of its kind in the valley. The mental health court is held every Tuesday morning. Judge Arkfeld explained that she has a more "hands on" experience with the defendants.

Rich Rager is involved in a computer based training module and presented a video explanation of how the courts work. We then took a tour of the criminal division and the civil traffic division courts and finished the tour in Judge Majestic's courtroom. She spoke about her involvement in the community and showed a video regarding teenage DUI's. This video was very graphic and made its point.

We broke up into four groups and the class was asked to come up with a slogan for the Law Day program and coloring contest. Our parameters were from the American Bar Association and included the "Rule of Law and the Foundation for Communities of Opportunity and Equity." Only lawyers could come up with something so confusing! The four groups picked the following slogans: Justice for All, Peace in our Neighborhood; The Rules, Building Neighborhoods of Fairness; Without the Law life just isn't fair; Draw the Law, show how rules are tools that give us voices and choices. Judge Majestic and the staff will consider these slogans or come up with better ones to use with the coloring contest for elementary school children. We then left the court and went to the Library and had a wonderful lunch, courtesy of Rosita's, and discussed our project.

After lunch we were given the "True Colors" training courtesy of Alan Henry of NCTI. He spoke about the colors of gold, blue, green and orange and the types of persons and personalities that those colors represent. This was to help the group to, as Alan said, "speak in the language of the listener and listen in the language of the speaker." We learned a lot more about each other and had a great time with this exercise.

This was a very productive and information day.

Submitted by Don Calender, Class XXIII

Class XXIII Issue Day Recaps, Cont.

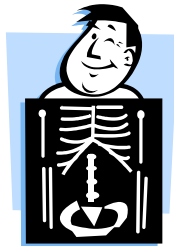
Health Services Day

Who Knew...at Tempe St. Luke's?

Founded in 1944, St. Luke's is still Tempe's sole community hospital. One highlight regarding St. Luke's is that it has one of four Wound Care Centers in the Valley. The charge nurse, Michelle was a die-hard Patriot's fan...sorry for the outcome. Hopefully she didn't need to enter one of the Hyper-Barriers, a 100% oxygen infusion treatment in which your entire body enters an encased 'tube' for 90-120min. This treatment is most often used to treat diabetics and surgical wounds. The Pain Care Center administers epidurals (burning of the nerves) which effects typically last 1-2yrs. The 'C-arm' allows for the doctors and nurses to see exactly where the needles and medicine is going vs. what use to be termed as 'blind sticks.' Ow. No thank you.

The OR has six rooms. At Tempe St. Luke's you can expect and emergency room visit to last 2 ½ hours, entry door to exit door. This is an amazingly short timeframe and one St. Luke's is extremely proud of and has worked diligently to achieve. If you need go to an emergency room...opt for St. Luke's! OB is back at St. Luke's. 21 babies were delivered in January. The LDRP (labor, delivery, recovery & postpartum) rooms are extremely spacious. No need to be shuttled from one room to another during the delivery process. Everything takes place in one room, which is large enough for visitors, family and friends after the baby is born.

The Radiology area was most informative. Who knew there were numerous modalities within radiology (we learned many new vocab words throughout the day): Diagnostic imaging, nuclear medicine, traditional X-ray, CT (computive tomography which takes slice-like pictures of organs), MRI (magnetic resonance imaging which uses constantly moving magnets that need to be cooled, hence the loud noise) and Ultra-sound (sound waves).



We also learned a lot, maybe too much, about disaster preparedness, an all hazards approach and what ACTIC (Arizona Counter Tourism Information Center) does for the citizens of our state. Extremely informative and eye opening. Great presentation David. Thank you.



We Saw Dead People!

Have you ever felt the difference between a diseased kidney and a healthy one? We have! At Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine we saw 'cadaver juices' as the med students affectionately refer to the bodily secretions, bits and pieces that remain as a result of dissecting cadavers.

While putting on our official white lab coats we saw skeletons and a 'box-o-bones' used for instructional purposes. Did you know that the yarrow is a full service plant? Steep as a hot tea and it will bring down a high fever. Drink as a cold tea and it serves as a diuretic.



Do you know when acupuncture became popular in the United States? Many of Cass XXIII knew that it was President Nixon's visit to China in 1973, when a member of the presidential entourage came down with appendicitis and was successfully treated through acupuncture. Naturopathic doctor's can prescribe drugs in Arizona (not chemo, psychotic or intravenous). Naturopathic medicine has been licensed in Arizona since 1935. Only three states preceded it: Connecticut – 1930, Oregon – 1927 and Washington State – 1917. And people say that Arizona is a conservative state. While the MCAT is not needed as part of admission to SCNМ, all the sciences classes as a function of being pre-med in college and post boards are required to be licensed, just as an MD or OD. Last year, SCNМ treated 15-20,000 people in Arizona free at their numerous clinics in the state. Who knew Tempe had such a hidden gem? Their garden was a model of relaxation and tranquility. It is definitely worth a visit. What a great day. Thanks Tempe Leadership!

Submitted by Amy Golden Greenland, Class XXIII

Do you miss seeing the Alumni Updates section in this issue?

Let us hear from you!

If you have an accomplishment or update you'd like to share with other Alumni,
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