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NEWSLETTER

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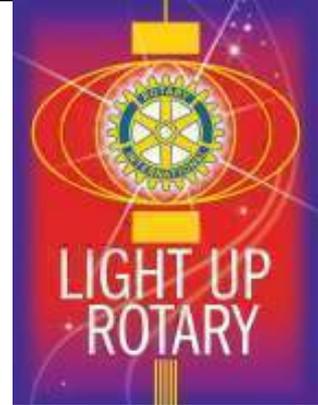


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March is Water and Sanitation Month in the NEW Rotary Calendar.

OK, now I know that the changes to the Monthly Focus only come into force on 1st July 2015, but why wait?

Previously March was Literacy month which has now moved to September.

Literacy? Hmmm! Wonderful to be literate and for us it is a given that we are able to read and write and speak a language to make ourselves understood and to COMMUNICATE. Quite often we just don't take our literacy to the next level by being good communicators.

The advent of all the mediums that should improve communication have somehow contributed to poorer communication.

What does it mean to you if you have an email address? Does that mean that you will respond to every email that you receive? No, of course not because unfortunately the Internet has so

much spam that invariably one's first task is to delete all the emails that are of no use.

Does it also irritate you when someone 'replies to all' when their reply to a sender is of no value to the other recipients?

But that irritation is nothing compared to instances when recipients of emails do not bother to respond to a specific question.

There is the ongoing drive to get members to register on www.rotary.org for 'My Rotary'. Have you?

Our District uses Club Runner and there you also need to log on to www.rotary9370.org and navigate your way to your profile.

Our Club website is to be found at www.rotaryclubsa.org and you need to be heard in the Members Clubhouse.

Wouldn't it be great to register on just one of these and have access to all three!

Have Fun

Gerald Sieberhagen - Editor

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
HAS CELEBRATED
110 YEARS OF
SERVICE ABOVE SELF

WELCOME
TO OUR NEW
MEMBERS

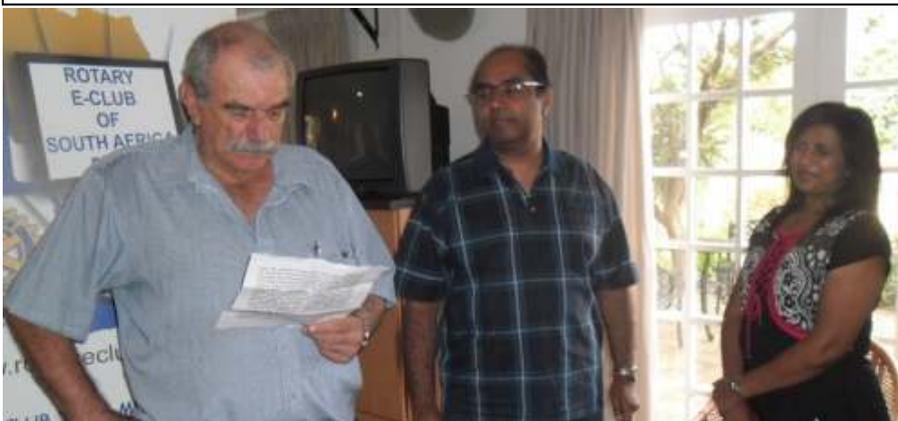
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NEW MEMBER INDUCTIONS AT F2F



Proud new members and their sponsors - President Irene Kotze, Andisha Maharaj, Monique Labat, Suzanne Edmunds, Suresh Setty and Gerald Sieberhagen



Gerald introducing Suresh & Irene Setty

Below - left - Angie Mitchell, Pres Irene Kotze, Pres Elect Jean Singh & Keshia Munsamy

Below - right - Ailsa Kaminski



INTERACT CLUB OF EKUTHULENI



At the signing of the documents for the Charter the Interact Club of Ekuthuleni are [seated]

E-Club President, Irene Kotze and Nomkhozi Gwiji, the President-Elect of the Interact Club of Ekuthuleni.

Watching proceedings are Nokuthula Mvubu – Interact Facilitator and Rtn Sambulo Khalala.



Interactors below are eagerly awaiting the Charter documents from Rotary International.



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BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

17th – Pat Draper
25th – Ann Hargreaves
27th – Peter Mugisha
28th – Ailsa Kaminski



APRIL

1st – Arlene Arnold
3rd – Keshia Munsamy
9th – Sandy Botha
22nd – Keith Kirton
25th – Emmanuel Ntando

ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

24th – Paul & Sandra Maistry
27th – Ockie & Jeanette Esterhuysen

APRIL

2nd – Jayne & Errol Martin
6th – Gerald & Sue Sieberhagen
8th – Pat & Beryl Draper
27th – Keith & Rae Kirton
30th – Peter & Sandy Brauteseth

DATES TO DIARISE

2015

DG VISIT on GTM – date to be confirmed

22nd March – World Water Day

24th to 26th APRIL – DISCON IN BLOEMFONTEIN

11th April – IFCR cricket match in Empanjeni, Zululand

7-8-9th Oct – Rotary Family Health Days

WEEKLY TOPIC - ROSTER FOR MAR to JUNE

23rd Mar – Keith Kirton
30th Mar – Patrick Andries
13th Apr – Michael Chen
20th Apr – Andisha Maharaj
27th Apr – Jeff Watts
4th May – Patrick Kleu
11th May – Gunnar Light
18th May – Rob Lindegger
25th May – Aadila Sabat
1st June – Suresh Setty
8th June – Maxwell Pomeyie
15th June – Peter Mugisha
22nd June – Irene Kotze
29th June – Jean Singh

Please send your TotW to either President Irene or Club Admin director Gerald by at least the THURSDAY preceding the date of the TotW. It always makes it easier if Rotarians send their TotW well ahead of time. Alternatively, if you are unable to fulfil your duty, please advise us well ahead of time so that we are able to find a replacement.

EVENTS AND PROJECTS

EAST COAST RADIO TOY STORY 2014

The 2nd Food parcel allocation is now being distributed

DISTRICT GRANT - Application for 2015 due by 31st March 2015.

GLOBAL GRANT 1418817

Pat Draper has started implementing the project and several items have already been purchased to get this project going. Now well underway.

GLOBAL GRANT 1527880

Moving ahead resolutely

PROJECT DIGNITY – Activation was on 6th March 2015

GoToMeeting – 19h00 to 20h00

24th March

7th & 21st April

5th & 19th May

2nd & 23rd June

DURING THE WEEK PRECEDING THE GTM, the log on code will be sent BY EMAIL to each member.

ADVERTISING

IN ROTARY AFRICA MAGAZINE

Have you ever considered advertising your products or services in the Rotary Africa Magazine? Or do you know of a business that may wish to do so?

You can obtain the 2014 Advertising rates on the Rotary Africa website @ www.rotaryafrica.com

**ANY
COMMENTS
ABOUT
ANYTHING?**

PRESIDENT IRENE'S PAGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians

Our E-Club had a most enjoyable F2F meeting on Sunday afternoon 15th of March to reintroduce to the Family of Rotary: Andisha Maharaj [Trf from RC of Phoenix], Suresh Setty [Trf from RC of Chatsworth High Noon] and Monique Labat, formerly of RC of Umhlatuzana. We are looking forward to your contribution to our E-Club's activities and projects and the new ideas that you will bring to our club. We are indeed pleased that because of our E-Club, you are able to continue your membership and involvement in Rotary. Recalling the words of their induction: ***"the honour and privilege of Rotary membership carries with it duties and obligations. We would like you to regularly access the club website, in fact accessing the Members Clubhouse and commenting on the TOPIC of the Week is a requirement of membership"***, I have to ask the question, where are the comments from all our 'missing' members? We have a nucleolus of members who comment every week, but what about the other members. Do we have to be like organisations where the 80/20 principle is alive and well? I know that in your way you carry the principles of Rotary into the daily life of your communities BUT we don't hear from you and that is the sad part.

We are one Club and even if our members are spread far and wide, we need to stay connected. I know in the past the Rotary philosophy was: we do good in our communities but we don't publicize our achievements. That's all changed! Rotary in this day and age has learnt to use social media to showcase our achievements. The same goes for our E-Club and our members. We are far flung individuals but there is the proverbial umbilical cord that binds us as a Club but communication is the essential ingredient that ensures that we remain strong as a Club. Having said that, communication is sadly lacking between a number of our members, but an e-mail about anything that is important to you, can quickly be communicated to all the members. Although you are often provided with contact details of our members, I am happy to receive your emails and will then distribute them to the members. If there is a serious problem of connecting amongst our members, we need to know what the problems are and during the coming weeks each of our members will receive a personal e-mail from me with the question: "what do you, as a member of our E-Club, expect from your membership?" I assure your each answer will be treated confidentially and taken very seriously. I know a number of our members are engaged in time consuming professional activities and are happy to just receive OUTA SPACE and enjoy reading about the activities of the Club but a little input from time to time will be so nice to hear.

PLEASE COMMUNICATE!!!

And Have FUN doing so

Irene

SUBZ ACTIVATION AT EKUTHULENI PRIMARY SCHOOL

The SUBZ Washable Panties and Pads Activation at Ekuthuleni Primary School for girls in Grade's 5, 6 & 7 will be a life changing event for the 370 girls who each received a SUBZ pack.

Thanks to the spontaneous sponsorship by the Rotary Club of Armidale Central in D9650, New South Wales, Australia, our E-Club was able to undertake PROJECT DIGNITY.

The dynamo driving SUBZ is the dynamic Sue Barnes. Receiving the SUBZ packs is one thing; attending the talk by Sue Barnes at the Activation is something that is absolutely invaluable for these young girls.

In addition to all the serious stuff, Sue managed to obtain volunteer and Pop Idols star, Kyle Deutschmann to sing a couple of songs and he soon had all the girls happily singing along.

A big thank you to Nokuthula Felicia Mvubu and her fellow teachers for organising a slick programme.



Programme Director, Mrs LP Khumalo, Sue Barnes and singer Kyle Deutschmann

Irene Kotze and Carrie Byrne sorting the SUBZ packs in sizes



Members of the EarlyAct Club of Ekuthuleni Primary School recited The Four-Way Test, of the things we think, say or do.

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At the end of the proceedings, each of the girls received their own SUBZ pack, which Sue Barnes, stressed was for their use only and if, looked after correctly, the Panties and Pads should last for between 3 to 5 years.

INTERACT CLUB OF LENAREA SECONDARY SCHOOL



Interactors made containers from Coke bottles and then filled them with liquid soap for use in each classroom so that learners can have soap to use in school. The toilets at the school desperately need to be refurbished and there is nowhere to even leave the soap in the toilets.

SHORT TERM YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME



JENNA BURNILL

ERIN BLOCH

AMA GETSEMANE

These are the 3 STEP applicants from Our Lady of Fatima that our E-Club has submitted to the District YE Committee for consideration for the Exchange in 2015. We wish them well at the Interviews this coming weekend.

The Rotary Short Term Youth Exchange Programme [STEP] is open to students between the ages of 15 and 18. The Outbound Exchange runs for 6 weeks in the December/January period whilst the Inbound Exchange takes place in June/July. The student is sponsored by a local Rotary Club and stays with a host family. Applicants are matched, as far as possible, with a student of similar age, gender and interests. The 2 students are together in each others' homes for a total of 12 weeks.

The purpose of the programme is:

- To promote international peace, goodwill and understanding through a 6-week family-to-family international exchange
- To provide the opportunity for students within Rotary District 9370 to experience international travel and spend 6 weeks with a foreign host family and the 'matched' exchange student
- To provide the opportunity for foreign students to experience international travel and spend 6 weeks living with a family and the 'matched' student in Rotary District 9370

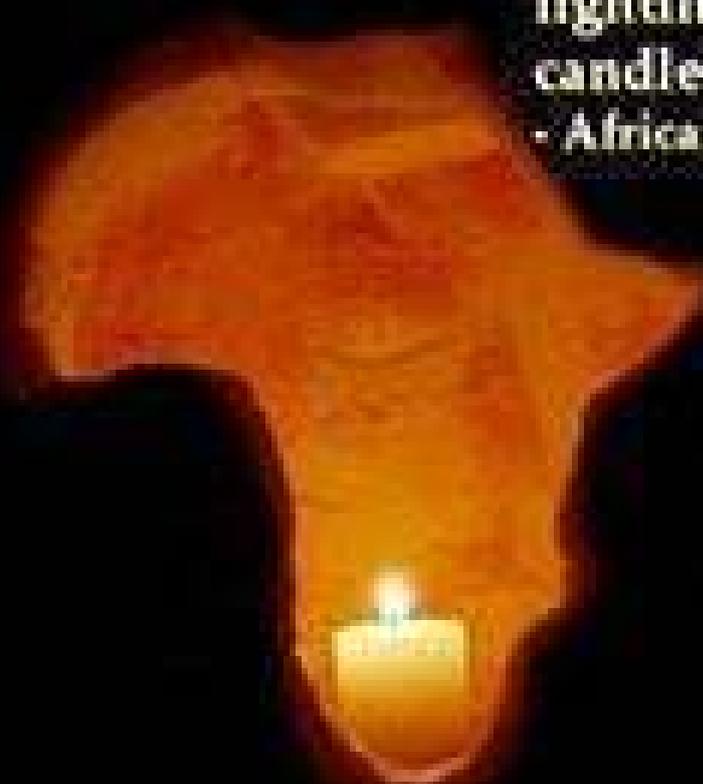
A cultural and educational experience for two 'matched' students and their families

An opportunity to experience the culture and customs of a foreign country and share the culture and customs of his/her own country

NO FURTHER WORDS NEEDED.....



"A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle."
- African Proverb



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MORE FROM THE PEN OF Rtn GEORGE MULLER.....



"I wish he'd go back to his old club — I can't get him out of the house anymore!"

Pledge to Turn off your lights for Earth Hour

Posted By: WWF (World Wildlife Fund / World Wide Fund for Nature) (campaign leader)



Earth Hour 2015: Demand climate action.

This month we're celebrating Earth Hour 2015 and we want to make sure you participate.

The world is facing a climate crisis. If we don't act, then humans, wildlife and the planet will suffer. By turning off your lights for Earth Hour you're helping us send a signal to world leaders that we want to fight climate change together and we must do it now.

On Saturday, March 28, from 8:30-9:30 PM local time hundreds of millions of people, businesses and cities around the world will turn off their lights for Earth Hour. **Can we count on you to join us in showing a commitment to climate change action?** [Ed – why don't we just send this to ESKOM and rely on them to do the rest?]

Take two easy steps to get involved:

1. Tell us you're turning off your lights. It's important we know how many people are participating because we report this number to leaders across the globe as a show of support for strong climate action.
2. Turn off your lights on Saturday, March 28, at 8:30 PM wherever you are and be a part of Earth Hour with millions of people around the globe, committing to a better future. [Ed - with surely billions more who don't actually have a light to turn off]

We know you care about our planet as much as we do, so we hope you'll join us and make this Earth Hour bigger than ever.

Join the movement and make a commitment to protect the planet

Professional development available in the Learning Center

Are you looking to build your skills for your next Rotary role? Do you need tips on running a webinar? Would you like to know how to propose legislation to change Rotary policy? The Learning Center has what you're looking for. Browse the [catalog](#) for available courses or watch a [demo](#).

Read more about [what the Learning Center has to offer](#).

Interesting facts – contributed by Janet Rouillard

Q: Why do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?

A: When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since.

Q: Why do ships and aircraft use 'mayday' as their call for help?

A: This comes from the French word m'aidez -meaning 'help me' -- and is pronounced, approximately, 'mayday.'

Q: Why are zero scores in tennis called 'love'?

A: In France, where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (mis)pronounced it 'love.'

Q: Why do X's at the end of a letter signify kisses?

A: In the Middle Ages, when many people were unable to read or write, documents were often signed using an X. Kissing the X represented an oath to fulfill obligations specified in the document. The X and the kiss eventually became synonymous.

Q: Why is shifting responsibility to someone else called 'passing the buck'?

A: In card games, it was once customary to pass an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would 'pass the buck' to the next player.

Q: Why do people clink their glasses before drinking a toast?

A: It used to be common for someone to try to kill an enemy by offering him a poisoned drink. To prove to a guest that a drink was safe, it became customary for a guest to pour a small amount of his drink into the glass of the host. Both men would drink it simultaneously. When a guest trusted his host, he would only touch or clink the host's glass with his own.

Q: Why are people in the public eye said to be 'in the limelight'?

A: Invented in 1825, limelight was used in lighthouses and theatres by burning a cylinder of lime which produced a brilliant light. In the theatre, a performer 'in the limelight' was the center of attention.

Q: Why is someone who is feeling great 'on cloud nine'?

A: Types of clouds are numbered according to the altitudes they attain, with nine being the highest cloud. If someone is said to be on cloud nine, that person is floating well above worldly cares.

Q: In golf, where did the term 'Caddie' come from?

A: When Mary Queen of Scots went to France as a young girl, Louis, King of France, learned that she loved the Scots game 'golf.' He had the first course outside of Scotland built for her enjoyment. To make sure she was properly chaperoned (and guarded) while she played, Louis hired cadets from a military school to accompany her. Mary liked this a lot and when returned to Scotland (not a very good idea in the long run), she took the practice with her. In French, the word cadet is pronounced 'ca-day' and the Scots changed it into 'caddie.'

Q: Why are many coin banks shaped like pigs?

A: Long ago, dishes and cookware in Europe were made of a dense orange clay called 'pygg'. When people saved coins in jars made of this clay, the jars became known as 'pygg banks.' When an English potter misunderstood the word, he made a container that resembled a pig. And it caught on.

The world economy explained with two cows.

SOCIALISM - You have 2 cows. You give one to your neighbour.

COMMUNISM - You have 2 cows. The State takes both and gives you some milk.

FASCISM - You have 2 cows. The State takes both and sells you some milk.

BUREAUCRATISM - You have 2 cows. The State takes both, shoots one, milks the other and then throws the milk away.

TRADITIONAL CAPITALISM - You have two cows. You sell one and buy a bull. Your herd multiplies, and the economy grows. You sell them and retire on the income.

VENTURE CAPITALISM - You have two cows. You sell three of them to your publicly listed company, using letters of credit opened by your brother-in-law at the bank, then execute a debt/equity swap with an associated general offer so that you get all four cows back, with a tax exemption for five cows. The milk rights of the six cows are transferred via an intermediary to a Cayman Island Company secretly owned by the majority shareholder who sells the rights to all seven cows back to your listed company. The annual report says the company owns eight cows, with an option on one more.

AN AMERICAN CORPORATION - You have two cows. You sell one, and force the other to produce the milk of four cows. Later, you hire a consultant to analyze why the cow has died.

A FRENCH CORPORATION - You have two cows. You go on strike, organize a riot, and block the roads, because you want three cows.

AN ITALIAN CORPORATION - You have two cows, but you do not know where they are. You decide to have lunch.

A SWISS CORPORATION - You have 5,000 cows. None of them belong to you. You charge the owners for storing them.

A CHINESE CORPORATION - You have two cows. You have 300 people milking them. You claim that you have full employment and high bovine productivity. You arrest the newsman who reported the real situation.

AN INDIAN CORPORATION - You have two cows. You worship them.

A BRITISH CORPORATION - You have two cows. Both are mad.

AN IRAQI CORPORATION - Everyone thinks you have lots of cows. You tell them that you have none. Nobody believes you, so they bomb the crap out of you and invade your country. You still have no cows but at least you are now a Democracy.

AN AUSTRALIAN CORPORATION - You have two cows. Business seems pretty good. You close the office and go for a few beers to celebrate.

A NEW ZEALAND CORPORATION - You have two cows. The one on the left looks very attractive.

A GREEK CORPORATION - You have two cows borrowed from French and German banks. You eat both of them. The banks call to collect their milk, but you cannot deliver so you call the IMF. The IMF loans you two cows. You eat both of them. The banks and the IMF call to collect their cows/milk. You are out getting a haircut.

AN IRISH CORPORATION - You have two cows. One of them is a horse.

Definition of an Irish husband: He hasn't kissed his wife for twenty years, but he will kill any man who does.

Murphy told Quinn that his wife was driving him to drink. Quinn thinks he's very lucky because his own wife makes him walk.



Every Rotarian should try to attend at least one District Conference and one Rotary International Convention. Why not start now?
And then for good measure just solve this simple piece of arithmetic!

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 + 4 = 210 \\ 9 + 2 = 711 \\ 8 + 5 = 313 \\ 5 + 2 = 37 \\ 7 + 6 = 113 \\ 9 + 8 = 117 \\ 10 + 6 = 416 \\ 15 + 3 = 1218 \end{array}$$

And now we are once again OUTA SPACE