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NEWSLETTER

ROTARY E-CLUB OF SOUTH AFRICA D9270

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JULY

The end of a successful year for our Club and the beginning of what promises to be an even more rewarding one.

At the end of June, each year, there is a leadership change-over throughout Rotary International. Some Rotary appointments are for 3 years but the RI President, District Governors and Club Presidents all make way for their successor.

There is a great emphasis on continuity in Rotary and Rotary Clubs in particular – carry on with things that work well but do not hesitate to replace those that do not work or that have served their purpose.

There are many wonderful traditions in Rotary but equally there are some traditions that can quite easily be discarded.

The next edition of OUTA SPACE will have our new theme logo – this is something that causes much debate year after year – should the theme change or should we just stick to our two mottos?

On page 10 we have reproduced the “themes” over the years – first they were in the form of goals set by the RI President but in later years they have

Please remember that it is the responsibility of each member to introduce prospective members.

been replaced with a simple one-liner; well sometimes not a simple one-liner. Each club Past President or Past District Governor will fondly remember the theme for his or her year and what it meant to them. District Governors in particular will remember the choice of blazer for their year – sometimes red or yellow, various shades of blue, some check and some just a practical navy blazer that could be worn for many years to come. Lately RI Presidents have become a lot more cost conscious and practical in their choices.

The various themes that started in 1949/50 are on page 10 and they make interesting reading.

In a previous edition of OUTA SPACE we elaborated on RI President Sakuji Tanaka's theme for 2012-2013 of **Peace through Service**. There cannot be many people who would not welcome Peace in the World.

Let us all strive to contribute in whatever we can to promoting **Peace through Service**.

Have FUN

Editor – Gerald Sieberhagen

Members should always be on the lookout for suitable projects that would be suitable for our E-Club to undertake.

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

JULY

2nd Sambulo Khalala

6th Eleni Tilling

17th Moira Alborough

18th BU Singh

21st Irene Kotze

26th Jenna Reinbach

ANNIVERSARIES

JULY

14th Mark & Janet Rouillard

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES TO DIARISE:

2012

4th July Federico Amberti – Italy - Arrives

25th July Kristina Salontaji & Lisa Grewing – German STEP arrive on SAA551 at 13h20

18th July – NELSON MANDELA DAY

21st July – Windermere Shopping Centre – Rotary E-club and END POLIO NOW

28th July – District Membership & PR Seminar

3RD August – Reach for your Slippers Day – a REACH FOR A DREAM Fundraiser

13th August – District Governors Official Visit

18th August – District Foundation Seminar – David Tilling please diarise

24th August – Our Induction Dinner

1st September – Basic PRLS

27th October – Basic PRLS

2013

17th & 18th May – Last District Conference of D9270 – venue Sibaya

23rd to 26th June – Rotary Convention in Lisbon.

1st July – Merger of Districts 9320 & 9270 to form new District 9370

2014

8th WORLD ROTARY CRICKET FESTIVAL in NOTTINGHAM UK in JULY

Hopefully SA IFCR will have a full team attending this Festival – Great Fun always

2019

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN DURBAN from 6th to 12th JUNE

I wonder just how much money I am going to receive from this pathetic email reproduced below. One would think that the first thing that these crooks would do was to write good English. And as for the “Hello my Dear” – that is usually the opening line from countless females who for some or other reason “want to know you better” I am beginning to think that my chances of ever winning the LOTTO in South Africa is being greatly diminished by the number of times I win various jackpots all over the world. Well I suppose while banks have such a bad name right now the crooks think that they can jump on the bandwagon and use a Bank Manager title.

Hello My Dear

Know this about your money!

I am contacting you to let you know that the transfer of your money has been approved i have use my position in this office to correct all the problem in your money transfer file which was curse by those who claim that there are helping you rather they were working together with some people in this country in other to use your name to divert your money to another bank account so that the money will no longer belong to you again. Stop any further communication!!

If you listen to me and follow my advice I promise to put everything in order and make sure that your money is transferred to your bank account. I'm not comfortable any time I enter this office and see your approved payment file lying dormant here after all the error has been corrected and your payment finally approved in your name. Contact me as soon as you receive this information so that I can use my position in this office to transfer your funds into your bank account without any problem.

Yours Faithfully

Dr. David Clifford

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URGENT – Don't forget that today the world gets 1 extra second to correct the Atomic Clocks – SPEND IT WISELY

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Here is an extract of a letter addressed to our member, Jenna and also some information about MoNYS. We are pleased that the Rotary E-club of South Africa D9270 was able to make this exciting opportunity for Jenna, a reality. Our best wishes to Jenna; we look forward to receiving her report back...

Dear Ms Jenna Reinbach,

It is our pleasure to welcome you as a journalist to the Media & Press Room at Model NATO Youth Summit (MoNYS), a unique event that will take place in Brussels, from 8th to 13th July 2012.

As you already know, we are expecting 220 participants from all over the world to take part in the event, since MoNYS is the only simulation of NATO decision-making process in Europe, and the largest one of this kind in the world.

We would like to congratulate you for being selected to join our Summit as one of 12 journalists representing 12 prominent global newspapers! You have been chosen to represent EL PAIS newspaper.

MoNYS 2012 is an ambitious project, where people with different backgrounds, perspectives and skills, work together. Along the way, you will have to respect the differences of opinion, as well as learn to compromise, negotiate and help each other-in short, work as a real team.

Respect, hard working and self-motivation are the qualities that define the youths involved in this project.

Being part of NATO Youth Summit means more than only specific tasks. Born from only an idea, MoNYS means initiative! We expect from you to come up with new ideas and to help us improve our project along the way. However, we would like to stress the importance of the quality of work done. Because there is a long road ahead of us, we are looking forward to a beautiful journey, which will prove to be an amazing experience.

Model NATO Youth Summit - Brussels, 8-13 July 2012

12 countries join efforts to organize the largest simulation of the NATO's decision-making process in the world

The Model North Atlantic Treaty Organization Youth Summit (MoNYS 2012), a six-day event, will be taking place in Brussels in July 2012. The ambitious project is developed by an international team of 30 young people from 12 countries and supported by Université Libre de Bruxelles, NATO Headquarters in Brussels, the Atlantic Treaty Association and the Ministry of Brussels Capital Region. During the largest simulation of the NATO's decision-making process in the world, 221 participants, divided into 29 delegations, from both Europe and North America, will engage in debates upon MoNYS central theme:

"Political responsibility through leadership, innovation and strategic thinking in the XXI century"

MoNYS' main target-group is young people from across the globe that will fulfil the role of the representatives of every NATO member state, **enthusiastically working towards achieving peace and stability in the world**. Students will have the chance to broaden their views on different political approaches, while getting to know each other's cultures better.

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All good things must come to an end sooner or later. Popular members of the D9650 Project Safarians, Joyce & Harry Durey and Joy & Alan Francis arrived in South Africa on 12th May and Harry & Joyce departed for Cape Town on 8th June and Alan & Joy for Namibia on 14th June. During their travels through our District they were hosted by Irene Kotze of Rotary E-club of SA D9270, attended the District Conference, spent a day with Tony Holness & RC of Hibiscus Coast and Cathy Buchholz of RC of Port Shepstone, were hosted by Gordon & Lynn Dowsett at Selborne and then moved on to Nick & Sylvia Phillips in Eshowe, Rusty & Di Barnes and Dave & Bernie Kunneke in Empangeni and Leola & Rick Logan in Vryheid before spending time with John & Jill Green [GSE Team Leader to D9650 in 2005] in the Drakensberg, then visited our Capital with Hennie & Beth de Bruin and met up with two of the 2005 GSE team members, Annette Harms [nee Pfeiffer] & Mpume Mthembu before moving to Richard & Doreen Tolken and Wendy Mayall of RC of Pinetown who hosted the farewell for Harry & Joyce and then on to Dennis & Cathy Wesley in Hillcrest and finally the RC of Ballito where Derek & Annette van Bergen hosted a farewell for Alan & Joy. While all this hosting was taking place, our Aussie Project Safarians also visited some 30 projects and did quite a bit of sight-seeing and gave talks at 4 Rotary Clubs.

We believe that they will go back to Australia with many happy memories of South Africa and leave behind many Rotarians in D9270 with happy memories of their visit.

In the photo above there is an exchange of banners and a silent Springbok swapped for a very noisy Kangaroo!

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The Stranger

A few years after I was born, my Dad met a stranger who was new to our small town. From the beginning, Dad was fascinated with this enchanting newcomer and soon invited him to live with our family. The stranger was quickly accepted and was around from then on. As I grew up, I never questioned his place in my family. In my young mind, he had a special niche. My parents were complementary instructors: Mom taught me good from evil, and Dad taught me to obey. But the stranger... he was our storyteller. He would keep us spellbound for hours on end with adventures, mysteries and comedies. If I wanted to know anything about politics, history or science, he always knew the answers about the past, understood the present and even seemed able to predict the future! He took my family to the first major league ball game. He made me laugh, and he made me cry. The stranger never stopped talking, but Dad didn't seem to mind. Sometimes, Mom would get up quietly while the rest of us were shushing each other to listen to what he had to say, and she would go to the kitchen for peace and quiet. (I wonder now if she ever prayed for the stranger to leave.) Dad ruled our household with certain moral convictions, but the stranger never felt obligated to honor them. Profanity, for example, was not allowed in our home - not from us, our friends or any visitors. Our long time visitor, however, got away with four-letter words that burned my ears and made my dad squirm and my mother blush. My Dad didn't permit the liberal use of alcohol but the stranger encouraged us to try it on a regular basis. He made cigarettes look cool, cigars manly, and pipes distinguished. He talked freely (much too freely!) about sex. His comments were sometimes blatant, sometimes suggestive, and generally embarrassing.. I now know that my early concepts about relationships were influenced strongly by the stranger. Time after time, he opposed the values of my parents, yet he was seldom rebuked ... And NEVER asked to leave. More than fifty years have passed since the stranger moved in with our family. He has blended right in and is not nearly as fascinating as he was at first. Still, if you could walk into my parents' den today, you would still find him sitting over in his corner, waiting for someone to listen to him talk and watch him draw his pictures.

His name?....

We just call him 'TV.'

He has a wife now....we call her 'Computer.'

Their first child is "Cell Phone".

Second child "I Pod"

And JUST BORN THIS YEAR WAS a Grandchild: IPAD

OH MY-----HOW TRUE THIS IS!!!

(Note: This should be required reading for every household!)

**One day I was walking down the beach with
some friends when someone shouted....
'Look at that dead bird!'
Someone looked up at the sky and said...'where?'**

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An Obituary printed in the London Times

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, **Common Sense**.

No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;
- Why the early bird gets the worm;
- Life isn't always fair;
- And maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

He declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death:

- by his parents, Truth and Trust,
- by his wife, Discretion,
- by his daughter, Responsibility,
- and by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 5 stepbrothers;

- I Know My Rights.
- I Want It Now.
- Someone Else Is To Blame.
- I'm A Victim.
- Pay me for Doing Nothing.

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

A little girl asked her mother,
"Can I go outside and play with the boys?"
Her mother replied,
"No, you can't play with the boys, they're too rough."
The little girl thought about it for a few moments and asked,
If I can find a smooth one, can I play with him?"

What makes polio an emergency?

Posted on [June 7, 2012](#)



On the 25th of May, the World Health Assembly declared polio a programmatic emergency for global public health. The Global Poverty Project interviewed Bruce Aylward, assistant director-general at the World Health Organization (WHO)

Why now?

Three things were driving the ministers of health of the world in declaring polio an emergency: first – on a positive note – polio eradication has reached a tipping point. India, the country that was responsible for almost half the world's cases just two years ago, has now passed an entire year without reporting a case, providing incontrovertible evidence that polio can be eradicated anywhere.

However, and this is the ministers' second point, polio cases unexpectedly – and alarmingly – surged late last year in the three remaining endemic countries, from where it would undoubtedly make a global comeback unless it is completely eradicated.

And third, the ministers saw further evidence that when polio spreads to polio-free places, it is increasingly deadly. In Tajikistan and Congo in 2010, and in China in 2011, polio paralyzed adults as well as children in these outbreaks with high fatality rates among the adults, reaching nearly 50 percent in some of these places. This is on top of other research that has recently shown that if we let this opportunity slip through our fingers, we will soon be seeing more than 200,000 children again being paralyzed by polio each year. That's not just a number, that's children's lives changed forever. Many of them would die. If there was a tsunami coming, with 200,000 children in its path, we would do everything we could to get the children out of harm's way.

How can ordinary people help?

The first thing you can do is to sign the [petition](#) on the Global Poverty Project's website to let world leaders know that you want them to make good on their promises to get polio finished. Presidents and prime ministers are, after all, answerable to their constituents. Follow End Polio Now on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to find out about other simple actions you can take.

Then, if you want to get further involved, you can join your local Rotary club. RI is a fantastic organization – it was a couple of Rotarians that started the whole global movement to eradicate polio and they continue to campaign, raise money and volunteer in polio-infected countries today. You can also [donate to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund](#).

You can make a difference. It is everyone's responsibility to see polio eradicated. Once we do, we will have achieved something extraordinary for all the world's children, forever.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high!

In the not too distant future,
YouTube, Twitter & FaceBook
will merge to form one giant,
idiotic, super-sized, time-wasting,
non-productive, time-stealing,
mind-dumbing, do-not-need-to-know
website called

You **twit** **face**

WHY DO I JUST LOVE THIS INSERT SO MUCH



Another successful Wheelchair handover - a red Ferrari and 2 yellow Lamborghini's were given to 3 happy children while some of their friends share in the joyous occasion.

In the picture below, Sue & Gerald Sieberhagen with Alan & Joy Francis at their farewell - banners and a Springbok and Kangaroo were exchanged



Annette & Derek van Bergen, Joy & Alan Francis, Elsa le Roux and the first host for the Project Safarians, Irene Kotze, at the farewell for Alan & Joy.

Why We Love Children

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A nursery school pupil told his teacher he'd found a cat, but it was dead. "How do you know that the cat was dead?" she asked her pupil. "Because I pissed in its ear and it didn't move," answered the child innocently. "You did WHAT?" the teacher exclaimed in surprise. "You know," explained the boy, "I leaned over and went "Pssst" and it didn't move"

A little boy was doing his math homework. He said to himself, "Two plus five, that son of a bitch is seven. Three plus six, that son of a bitch is nine...."His mother heard what he was saying and gasped, "What are you doing?" The little boy answered, "I'm doing my math homework, Mum." "And this is how your teacher taught you to do it?" the mother asked "Yes," he answered. Infuriated, the mother asked the teacher the next day, "What are you teaching my son in math?" The teacher replied, "Right now, we are learning addition." The mother asked, "And are you teaching them to say two plus two, that son of a bitch is four?" After the teacher stopped laughing, she answered, "What I taught them was, two plus two, THE SUM OF WHICH, is four."

How the Internet Got Started

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a young wife by the name of Dot. And Dot Com was a comely woman, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she was often called Amazon Dot Com.

And she said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why dost thou travel so far from town to town with thy goods when thou canst trade without ever leaving thy tent?"

And Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, dear?"

And Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale, and they will reply telling you who hath the best price. And the sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)."

Abraham thought long and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums. And the drums rang out and were an immediate success. Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever having to move from his tent. To prevent neighboring countries from overhearing what the drums were saying, Dot devised a system that only she and the drummers knew. It was known as Must Send Drum Over Sound (MSDOS), and she also developed a language to transmit ideas and pictures - Hebrew To The People (HTTP).

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung. They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Sybarites, or NERDS.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums that no one noticed that the real riches were going to that enterprising drum dealer, Brother William of Gates, who bought off every drum maker in the land. And indeed did insist on drums to be made that would work only with Brother Gates' drumheads and drumsticks.

And Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others." And Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or eBay as it came to be known. He said, "We need a name that reflects what we are."

And Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO," said Abraham. And because it was Dot's idea, they named it YAHOO Dot Com.

Abraham's cousin, Joshua, being the young Gregarious Energetic Educated Kid (GEEK) that he was, soon started using Dot's drums to locate things around the countryside. It soon became known as God's Own Official Guide to Locating Everything (GOOGLE).

That is how it all began. And that's the truth.

And that is why we are able to have Rotary E-clubs.

And now we are nearly OUTA SPACE.

Rotary

1949-50 Percy C. Hodgson
Objectives of Our Team for 1949-50

1. Each new member admitted into a Rotary club to be adequately informed about his duties and obligations BEFORE his induction —properly introduced to the club — and effectively assimilated into the work of the club during the first year.
2. A better understanding and application of the principles of Vocational Service as set forth in Service Is My Business.
3. A contribution to world understanding and peace through an intensification of our international service program.
4. An outstanding district conference in every district.

1950-51 Arthur Lagueux
Goals for 1950-51

1. In club service we must beget our heirs.
2. In vocational service honesty is still the best policy.
3. In community service we can plan for the future.
4. In international service we must re-examine our world.
5. And finally we can extend the influence of Rotary.

1951-52 Frank E Spain
1952-53 H.J. Brunner
1953-54 Joaquin Serratos Cibils

Rotary Is Hope in Action
1954-55 Herbert J. Taylor

Six Objectives for 1954-55

1. Glean from the past and act
 2. Share with others
 3. Build with Rotary's Four-Way Test
 4. Serving youth
 5. International good will
 6. Good Rotarians are good citizens
- 1955-56 A.Z. Baker
Develop Our Resources
1956-57 Gian Paolo Lang

3 Targets 1956-57

1. Keep Rotary simple
2. More Rotary in Rotarians
3. Learn More about Each Other

Themes

1957-58 Charles G. Tennent
Enlist-Extend-Explore-Serve
1958-59 Clifford A. Randall
Help Shape the Future
1959-60 Harold T. Thomas
Vitalize! Personalize!
Build Bridges of Friendship!
1960-61 J. Edd McLaughlin
You Are Rotary – Live It! Express It! Expand It!
1961-62 Joseph A. Abey
Act, Aim for action
Communicate for Understanding
Test for Leadership
1962-63 Nitish C. Laharry
Kindle the Spark Within
1963-64 Carl P. Miller
Meeting Rotary's Challenge in the Space Age
1964-65 Charles W. Pettengill
Live Rotary
1965-66 C.P.H. Teenstra
Action, Consolidation, and Continuity
1966-67 Richard L. Evans
A Better World through Rotary
1967-68 Luther H. Hodges
Make Your Rotary Membership Effective
1968-69 Kyoshi Togasaki
Participate!
1969-70 James F. Conway
Review and Renew
1970-71 William E. Walk
Bridge the Gaps
1971-72 Ernst G. Breitholtz
Goodwill Begins with You
1972-73 Roy D. Hickman
Let's Take a New Look – and Act
1973-74 William C. Carter
A Time for Action
1974-75 William R. Robbins
Renew the Spirit of Rotary
1975-76 Ernesto Imbassahy de Mello
To Dignify the Human Being

Over the

1976-77 Robert Manchester II
I Believe in Rotary
1977-78 W. Jack Davis
Serve to Unite Mankind
1978-79 Clem Renouf
Reach Out
1979-80 James L. Bomar Jr.
Let Service Light the Way
1980-81 Rolf Klärlich
Take Time to Serve
1981-82 Stanley E. McCaffrey
World Understanding and Peace through Rotary
1982-83 Hiroji Mukasa
Mankind Is One — Build Bridges of Friendship throughout the World
1983-84 William E. Skelton
Share Rotary — Serve People
1984-85 Carlos Canseco
Discover a New World of Service
1985-86 Edward F. Cadman
You Are the Key
1986-87 M.A.T. Caparas
Rotary Brings Hope
1987-88 Charles C. Keller
Rotarians — United in Service — Dedicated to Peace
1988-89 Royce Abbey
Put Life into Rotary — Your Life
1989-90 Hugh M. Archer
Enjoy Rotary!
1990-91 Paulo V.C. Costa
Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm
1991-92 Rajendra K. Saboo
Look Beyond Yourself
1992-93 Clifford L. Dochterman
Real Happiness Is Helping Others
1993-94 Robert R. Barth
Believe in What You Do -Do What You Believe in
1994-95 William H. Huntley
Be a Friend
1995-96 Herbert G. Brown
Act with Integrity
Serve with Love
Work for Peace
1996-97 Luis Vicente Giay
Build the Future with Action and Vision

Years

1997-98 Glen W. Kinross
Show Rotary Cares for your community for our world for its people
1998-99 James L. Lacy
Follow Your Rotary Dream
1999-2000 Carlo Ravizza
Rotary 2000: Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity
2000-01 Frank J. Devlyn
Create Awareness — Take Action
2001-02 Richard D. King
Mankind Is Our Business
2002-03 Bhichai Rattakul
Sow the Seeds of Love
2003-04 Jonathan B. Majiyagbe
Lend a Hand
2004-05 Glenn E. Estess Sr.
Celebrate Rotary
2005-06 Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar
Service Above Self
2006-07 William B. Boyd
Lead the Way
2007-08 Wilfrid J. Wilkinson
Rotary Shares
2008-09 Dong Kurn Lee
Make Dreams Real
2009-10 John Kenny
The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands
2010-11 Ray Klingensmith
Building Communities — Bridging Continents
2011-12 Kalyan Banerjee
Reach Within to Embrace Humanity
2012-13 Sakuji Tanaka
Peace through Service