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Who are you going to reach out to and lift into the Family of Rotary?

With so much emphasis being placed on membership, year after year, it is quite surprising that Rotary International has allocated only one particular month during the Rotary year where the emphasis is on membership. Surely it is something that should engage our attention month after month! Just on 30% of our E-Club members have introduced a new member to our Club which is quite high by Rotary standards.

There are all sorts of theories why people don't join Rotary but there are also many

reasons why people do join Rotary.

The time for finding excuses is long gone and it is just a matter of finding a suitable member of the public who is community service minded and who is able to pay the very reasonable subscriptions of our E-Club.

During the next couple of months, President Irene Kotze will be highlighting some of the challenging targets that our Club has set – some to achieve the Rotary International Presidents Citation and others which are there to ensure that our Club builds on its strengths and eliminates the weaknesses.

Have FUN

Gerald Sieberhagen - Editor

EIGHTY-SIX% OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THIS HALF-YEAR

Are you willing to be third class, and serve?



Posted on **July 20, 2016** by **Rotary International**

By Tiffany Ervin, past president of the Rotary Club of Four Seasons – Hendersonville, North Carolina, USA

Tiffany Ervin with participants in a special needs baseball league her club sponsors.

In the days of the American wild west, if you wanted to travel a great distance, you had to go by stagecoach and it was a very long trip. There were three different classes of passengers – first, second, and third class. The seats were all the same, but the prices were different. Here's why...

- First class meant you remained seated during the entire trip, no matter what happened or what conditions might be faced.
- Second class meant you remained seated until there was a problem along the way, when you had to exit the stagecoach and walk alongside.
- But third class passengers not only exited when there was a problem, they were also the ones who had to fix a broken wheel or even push the stagecoach along, through the mud, up the hills, no matter what came along.

So I began thinking about this when it comes to our involvement in Rotary. Let me ask you – what class ticket do you hold?

Pampered, or detached? Too many of us hold first class tickets – we expect to be waited on and catered to – even pampered! We're willing to ride, but not push. We just sit back and let the others do the work.

But there are also those in our organization who hold second class tickets – detached spectators who show up but don't want to get too involved. Their name goes on the roster, they even include their membership on their resume...but that's about it.

“Is success really remaining seated while others get out and push, or is it getting your hands and feet dirty? Is success being served or serving others?”

But thankfully, there are also a few who are willing to hold third class tickets – willing to get out and push when the going gets tough.

We tend to equate first class with privilege – exempt from doing any work. But is success really remaining seated while others get out and push, or is it getting your hands and feet dirty? Is success being served or serving others?

What it means to be third class Third class ticket holders have a heart for service. They don't mind working behind the scenes. They are people who have made a conscious decision to get involved or join an organization whose entire reason for existence is to change the world! They are people who are willing to get out and push!

If we just sit in our first class seat and expect everyone else to get behind and push, what will happen to Rotary? We'll never reach our goals – to end polio, to prevent other diseases, to bring about world peace – every organization in the world already has too many first class passengers. We're looking for a few more third class passengers!

What are you willing to do? Are you willing to be a leader instead of a spectator?

Are YOU willing to be a third class passenger?

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67 MINUTES FOR MANDELA



PP Jean Singh and her learners cleaned and painted their classroom



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BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

7th – Patrick Andries
10th – Chris Hutton
18th – Rajen Ranganthan
20th – Brian St Clair
23rd – David Tilling



ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST

13th - Jeff & Linda Watts
18th – Sambulo & Sizakele Khalala

DATES TO DIARISE

2016

Sunday 11th September – Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Gosford North, Australia will be arriving in Durban – more details are available from Peter Brauteseth

3rd to 7th October – National Human Trafficking Awareness Week in South Africa

**12th to 14th October
Rotary Family Health Days**

**15th November
DG's visit to our E-Club on GoToMeeting**

2017

10th to 14th June – Rotary International Convention in Atlanta

This is a reminder to all those members who are rather tardy when it comes to TOPIC of the Week. Please let the Editor know why this very simple task is being overlooked.

EVENTS AND PROJECTS

GLOBAL GRANT 1418817

Proceeding according to plan. In the final straight now! Some exciting follow up developments.....

GLOBAL GRANT 1527880

Proceeding according to plan. Interim report completed and signed off by both Club Presidents exactly one year after receipt of the Global Grant funding. Well done Peter Brauteseth.

The Rotary Foundation Centennial year began on 1st July 2016 and was launched at the RI Convention in Seoul, Korea



Two new Global grants are in the planning stage and we look forward to them being submitted to The Rotary Foundation shortly.

We have achieved one of this year's mandatory requirements of the RI Presidential Citation by paying our RI Dues before the end of July. Well done to the members who have paid on time!

PRESIDENT IRENE'S PAGE



My dear fellow Rotarians

A major driving force of every Rotary Club is building the membership of the club and equally important is retaining members. Our E-Club history is both an asset and a hurdle. The Rotary Organisation that began in 1905 is not the same Organisation that you and I belong to in 2016. Along the way, one of the many changes that occurred is: who makes up the membership of our Organisation. We are no longer a membership organisation that centres on businessmen. We are a COMMUNITY Organisation that includes men and women from various professions, small business owners and young entrepreneurs, but not to forget the seniors who are valued for their experience.

So how do we build membership? ONE person at a time! Rotary has essentially always been built that way.

Our Focus on SERVICE ABOVE SELF brings together people of diverse backgrounds who focus in investing time and effort to give back to the local community.

Like any brand that is over 100 years old people's perception of it, is tied to their mutual contact with it. For many people Rotary looms in their minds as a Mens club who write out cheques for a good cause. The ethnic diversity that reflects the communities in which Rotary Clubs exist is often overlooked.

The only way to find potential Rotarians is to continue to tell Rotary's story and to ASK and invite those who you think will make good Rotarians.

Have Fun recruiting.

Irene



**ASK; ASK; ASK; ASK; ASK;
ASK; ASK; ASK; ASK; ASK**

*No matter how it's
written, that's all it
takes!*

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TOPIC of the Week duties and the dates for GoToMeeting are highlighted in larger print to ensure that members do not overlook them

TOPIC of the Week ROSTER

JULY 2016 to NOV 2016

THIS IS YOUR REMINDER

8th Aug – Greg Cryer
15th Aug – Tina Hon
22nd Aug – Jeff Watts
29th Aug – Pat Draper
5th Sept – Sambulo Khalala
12th Sept – Nareshini Ranganthan
19th Sept – Suresh Setty
26th Sept – Nadja Fredericks
3rd Oct – Irene Kotze
10th Oct – Philip Hedley
17th Oct – Keith Kirton
24th Oct – Mario Hegemann
31st Oct – Peter Brauteseth
7th Nov – Janet Rouillard
14th Nov – Sivashni Singh
21st Nov – Jerry Brown

Please send your TOPIC of the Week to our Club Admin Director, Gerald Sieberhagen, by at least the THURSDAY preceding the date of your turn. It makes it easier if Rotarians send in their TOPIC of the Week well ahead of time.

Do you need a reminder to ATTEND and comment on the TOPIC of the Week? If so, please let me know and I will gladly send you a personal reminder *Editor*

GoToMeeting
@ 19h00
TUESDAY

9TH AUGUST – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
23RD AUGUST – Rev Johan van Schalkwyk – *Sailors Society*
6TH SEPTEMBER
20TH SEPTEMBER
4TH OCTOBER
18TH OCTOBER
1ST NOVEMBER – PDG Nick Phillips – *TRF Speakers Bureau – TRF Centennial*
15TH NOV – DG VISIT
29TH NOVEMBER
13TH DECEMBER
During the week preceding the GTM, the login details REMINDER will be emailed to each member.
If you have any suggestions regarding a Guest Speaker please let me know – Gerald – Club Admin

LETTER OF THANKS



Irene Kotze
President
Rotary E Club of South Africa One

Dear Irene

On behalf of ALL at The White House Community Centre, particularly the washing ladies, we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your amazingly generous donation of R7 500. We have received your payment and we are just waiting to upgrade our electricity to enable to cover the extra load on our DB Board. It will now free up two of our carers to do the work they are supposed to be doing instead of the MOUNTAINS of white sheets and clothing they are currently washing in the two baths outside.

Your organisation does such incredible work in the community, helping people such as ourselves. Thank you for caring for those less fortunate.

Many thanks
Adele 083 4611415

HANS HON REPORTING on PORT ALFRED STEP STUDENTS

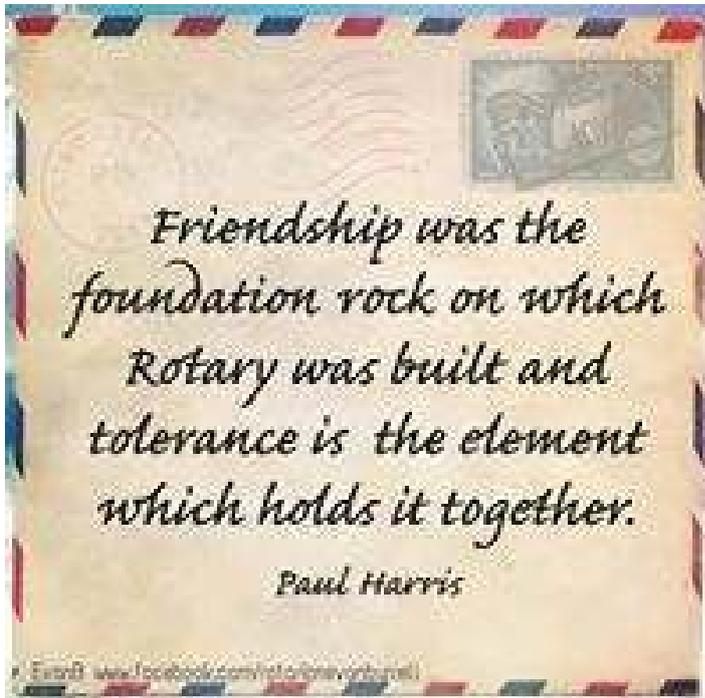
Herewith some information about our Inbound and Outbound Step Students. Being a member of the Youth Exchange Committee, we were able to arrange this very late and at short notice. I would like to thank Lynne Hall for all the hard work done.

Amey arrived on the 9th of July and is hosted by Britney Hawkins. Amey loves her new family and has settled very quickly. She gave her presentation to the Rotary Club of Port Alfred, which Tina, Mike and I attended.

Britney will be going on her exchange to Germany in November/December this year. In the photo: Britney Hawkins (left) and Amey Bollmann (right).



SNIPPETS



My own social media

SIR: I haven't got a computer, but I was told about Facebook and Twitter and am trying to make friends outside Facebook and Twitter while applying the same principles.

Every day, I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel, what I have done the night before and what I will do for the rest of the day. I give them pictures of my wife, my daughter, my dog and me gardening and on holiday, spending time by the pool. I also listen to their conversations, tell them I 'like' them and give them my opinion on every subject that interests me... whether it interests them or not.

And it works: I already have four people following me: two police officers, a social worker and a psychiatrist.

Peter White, Holbrook, Derbyshire



Clockwise from top – Wise words from Paul Harris

Social Media in a nutshell

View of the Alps where Mario and Melanie are spending a holiday

Paying subscriptions to an E-Club may not always be easy especially when there are Banks involved – where are the good old days when a bank would accept an instruction in a letter signed by the account holder – but then again what a pleasure it was for our treasurer, Gerald, to receive a personal visit from Misha Ferry, daughter of Michael Ferry our Liverpoolian member, who handed over Michael's subs for the 2016/17 year!

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED DURING 2015-16



NADJA FREDERICKS



MARIO HEGEMANN



PHILIP HEDLEY



STEVEN LANCASTER



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BACK PAGE – Last but not least

REVERSE BUCKET LIST – The first one was: 'Sky walking in the Alps'; the 2nd one: 'Extreme picnicking' the 3rd one 'Cliff Camping' – the 4th one: Tree Camping in Germany – and here is the 5th one: Biking on the cliffs of Moher.

And this is the last in the series – I get the creeps just adding a photo each fortnight. SORRY – NO MORE!!

This is especially for all our aging members

MY LIFE BROKEN DOWN INTO SEGMENTS



And now we are once again OUTA SPACE