

OUTA SPACE
Special Tribute

**WE CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR ANN
SUE SIEBERHAGEN**



SUE IN 1991

SUE ATTENDED HER LAST ROTARY FUNCTION ON 4TH JULY 2017 WHEN GERALD WAS INDUCTED AS PRESIDENT OF E-CLUB OF SOUTH AFRICA ONE

Sue met Gerald on the hockey field in Aliwal North and they were married in Aliwal North in 1963. They had one son John who turns 50 on 8th February.

Sue led a full life and for nearly 40 years supported Gerald in his Rotary activities. She was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Being married to a banker, Sue travelled to many new towns during their working life and indeed made lots of friends along the way.

Although Sue spent more than 25 years as a banker she was really an interior decorator but could never establish a business in a particular place because of the regular transfers of bankers back then.

Sue had a great love for animals [well actually dogs] and proudly referred to her sons Labrador, Monty and Dachshund Papillon, as her grandchildren.

Sue passed away peacefully one month short of her 80th birthday on 28th January 2018.

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NEWSLETTER

ROTARY E-CLUB OF SOUTH AFRICA ONE

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Dear E-Club members and OUTA SPACE readers,

The Area of Focus during February month is:

PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION.

We also celebrate Rotary's 113rd Anniversary on 23rd February.

Rotary has always been at the forefront in promoting Peace and there is much that can be found at www.rotary.org.

This is at the heart of all of Rotary's work. Fostering Peace and Understanding led to Youth Exchange Programmes. It led to our Rotary Peace Fellowships. Over the past decade 1000 professionals have been selected and trained in Rotary Peace Centres in Universities around the world. They are now working for peace in over 100 countries.

We refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts.

Through our service projects, peace fellowships, and scholarships, our members are taking action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality and ethnic tension, lack of access to education and unequal distribution of resources.

There can be no Peace while people have poor water, disease, poor Mother and Child health, no education and poverty.

Rotary's Key priorities address these in all the major projects we do.

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Gerald - Editor

To date only 63% of our members have paid their half-yearly Subscriptions

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PRESIDENT GERALD'S PAGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians

Thank you to all who have sent me a message of condolence and/or who attended the Memorial Service for Sue on Thursday 1st February – Sue is now at peace.

The support of friends, especially Rotarians from far and wide, has been phenomenal – the Family of Rotary is truly powerful.

While I was browsing through some papers I came across a document that was compiled after the ROTARY GLOBAL PEACE FORUM held in Honolulu, Hawaii from 25th to 27th January 2013.

The opening paragraph reads:

“All human beings have the right to live in a state of peace, free from violence, persecution, inequality, and suffering. As leaders and friends of the Rotary movement, united in service, we publicly declare our commitment to creating a more peaceful world. *The final paragraph*

Reads:

Peace is not a final destination to be reached, but an active and continuous process. All of us are capable of becoming peacemakers in our own lives, and through our words and actions, we will demonstrate that peace is possible.

There were many powerful statements in the Declaration of Peace “The Green Path to Peace” document but unfortunately I could not locate the full document on Google to enable me to reproduce it in OUTA SPACE. Maybe I will have found it before the next edition.

My apologies for not posting a TOPIC of the Week on the past 2 Mondays but I just didn't have the time to follow up with the members who should have sent me their TotW. Never mind we will soon be back to normal.

Continue to have FUN while MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Gerald

SELF-PRAISE IS NO RECOMMENDATION

Let's tell the world we are
PEOPLE OF ACTION

GET STARTED TODAY!



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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

JAN to OCT 2018

Please send your TOPIC of the Week to President Gerald by at least the THURSDAY preceding the date of your turn.

12th Feb – Mike Millard
19th Feb – Suzanne Edmunds
26th Feb – Pat Draper
5th Mar – Sambulo Khalala
12th Mar – Hans Hon ✓
19th Mar – Charmaine Wheatley
26th Mar – Jeff Watts
2nd Apr – Andisha Maharaj
9th Apr – Brian Savage
16th Apr – David Tilling
23rd Apr – Janet Rouillard
30th Apr – Meryll Flynn
7th May – Suresh Setty
14th May – Monique Labat
21st May – Anathi Qabaka
28th May – Francesco Petruccione
4th June – Johan Krugel
11th June – Gerald Sieberhagen
18th June – Bob Kistnasamy
25th June – Lindiwe Mvubu
2nd July – Irene Kotze
9th July – Philip Hedley
16th July – Tina Hon ✓
23rd July – Zwakele Ngubane
30th July – Bill Main
6th Aug – Angela Savage
13th Aug – Jean Singh
20th Aug – Derek Kimber

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**GoToMeeting
@ 19h00
TUESDAY**

13th FEB – Barry Smith – The Next Step
www.the-next-step.co.za
27th FEB – Emma Roos – Higher Ground
www.higherground.org.za
13th MAR –
27th MAR – Charmaine Wheatley –
Sunshine Coast Projects
10th APR –
24th APR –
15th MAY –
29th MAY –
12th JUN –
26th JUN –
During the week preceding the GTM, the login details REMINDER will be emailed to each member.
If you have any suggestions for a Guest Speaker at one of our GTM's please let President Gerald know

TOPIC of the Week ROSTER

Continued from previous column
27th Aug – Angie Goody
3rd Sept – John Fannin
10th Sept – Murna van der Merwe
17th Sept – Aadila Sabat
24th Sept – Michael Chen
1st Oct – Mario Hegemann

DATES TO REMEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

FEB

13th – Sandra Maistry
16th – Sue Kimber
19th – Linda Watts
22nd – Bill Robertson
26th – Sandy Brauteseth
27th – Gunnar Light

MAR

5th – Jacques van Leeuwen
17th – Pat Draper
18th – Lynette Millard

ANNIVERSARIES

FEB

8th – Richard & Ann Hargreaves
10th – Johnny & Gillian Stark
12th – EARLYACT CLUB OF EKUTHULENI PS
14th – Bob & Anita Kistnasamy

MAR

2nd – Alastair & Alecia Stead
10th – Bill & Sharon Robertson
24th – Paul & Sandra Maistry
27th – Ockie & Jeanette Esterhuysen

UPCOMING EVENTS 2018

Saturday 17th February – Visit by EarlyAct Club of Ekuthuleni PS to Hammarsdale Eco Centre

3rd March – Opening of The Rotary Foundation Centennial Olive Grove at FDSA, Velddrif

15th – 18th March – AG Training and POETS

22nd March – World Water Day

22nd April – Earth Day and deadline day for planting a tree

5th May – Sunshine Coast, Australia Masquerade Ball – watch this space!!!!

28th May – Menstrual Health Day

30th May – 2nd June – 3rd ICPCN Conference, Durban, South Africa

  **ROTARY CONVENTION
23-27 JUNE 2018
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA**

 **28th June to 4th July – Shauna King and her International Medical Relief team will be in Durban – see more on pages 6 & 7**

6th to 8th July – InterCity Meeting in Türi, Estonia of our SUBZ Global Grant partner Clubs

WEDNESDAY 18th JULY – 67 MINUTES FOR NELSON MANDELA

WEDNESDAY 24th October – WORLD POLIO DAY

2019

20TH to 25TH Jan – 10th World Rotary Cricket Festival in Melbourne

D9370 2018/19 CONFERENCE

1st to 5th June – RI CONVENTION - Hamburg



FUTURE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Rotary



**Rotary International
Convention Sites**

- 2018** Toronto
- 2019** Hamburg
- 2020** Honolulu
- 2021** Taipei
- 2022** Houston, USA
- 2023** Warsaw, Poland
- 2024** Singapore

The schedule above gives you some time for planning to attend a Rotary International Convention.

I believe the one in 2019 may be quite attractive for several of our members.



TREE PAGE

Great news!!

So far 140 of the 250 trees have been allocated and during this month we will start collecting and distributing them.

More good news – the remaining 110 trees have been allocated to members who will, I'm sure be delighted to have been allocated a tree to plant somewhere.

Then, wonderful news is that a date has been set for the opening of THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL OLIVE GROVE at FDSA Youth Centre in Velddrif.

It will be on Saturday Morning 3rd March 2018

Jeff & Linda Watts, all the way from the UK, will be there as will Past President Irene Kotze [who tried to visit that area in November last year] and I am ticking off something on my 'bucket list' – a Visit to the FDSA Youth Centre in Velddrif, seeing the vegetable gardens and the 4 000 olive trees and of course the 100 olive trees that have been planted in our Grove and meeting the remarkable Bettie van der Merwe/Bonnet.

Is there anyone else who is keen to be there?



POLITICIANS

Some of these descriptions of politicians go back thousands of years. The leopard doesn't change its spots.



Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other.

~Oscar Amringer, "the Mark Twain of American Socialism."

I offered my opponents a deal: "if they stop telling lies about me, I will stop telling the truth about them".

~Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952..

A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country.

~ Texas Guinan. 19th century American businessman

I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians.

~Charles de Gaulle, French general & politician

Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks.

~Doug Larson (English middle-distance runner who won gold medals at the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris, 1902-1981)

We hang petty thieves and appoint the bigger thieves to public office.

~Aesop, Greek slave & fable author

Those who are too smart to engage in politics are punished by being governed by those who are dumber.

~Plato, ancient Greek Philosopher

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.

~Nikita Khrushchev, Russian Soviet politician

When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become PM; I'm beginning to believe it.

~Quoted in 'Clarence Darrow for the Defense' by Irving Stone.

Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel.

~John Quinton, American actor/writer

What happens if a politician drowns in a river?

That is pollution.

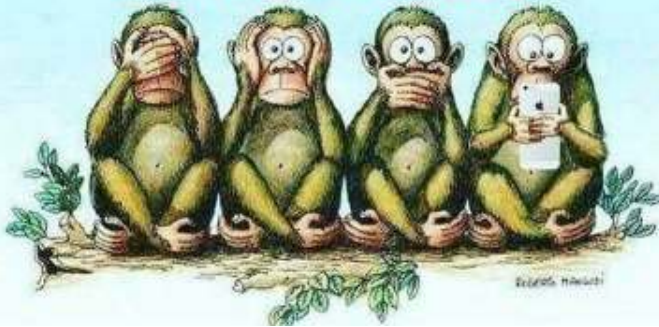
What happens if all of them drown?

That is a solution!!!

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The Whatape

Finally the fourth ape! He is the sum of the first three:
He sees nobody, hears nobody and speaks to nobody.



Celebratory dates in February:

Thursday 8th - Propose Day
Tuesday 13th - World Radio Day
Wednesday 14th - Valentine's Day
Thursday 15th - Singles Awareness Day
Tuesday 20th - World Day of Social Justice
Thursday 22nd - Thinking Day
Tuesday 27th - World NGO Day

Celebratory dates in March:

Saturday 3rd - World Wildlife Day
Thursday 8th - International Women's Day
Sunday 18th - World Sleep Day
Tues 20th - International Day of Happiness
Wed 21st - International Day of Forests/
International Colour Day
Thurs 22nd - World Water Day



Say what you want about ageing, it's still the only way to have old friends – *Robert Brault*

Begin at once to live, and count each separate day as a separate life – *Seneca*

In the moment of crisis, the wise build bridges and the foolish build dams - *Nigerian Proverb*

I don't think of all misery but of the beauty that still remains – *Anne Frank*

Freedom from desire leads to inward peace - *Lao-Tzu*

Forgive others, not because they deserve forgiveness, but because you deserve peace - *Arab Proverb*

And now we are once again OUTA SPACE