



Rotary International District 9320

**GOVERNOR'S
NEWSLETTER**

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New Generations in Spring.....

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE—Making a world of difference



Rotary Youth Exchange Students spend up to a year living with a few host families and attending school. Whether they participate in Rotary's long-term or short-term Youth Exchange Programs, they learn a new way of living, a great deal about themselves and maybe a new language. They are also ambassadors, teaching people they meet about their country, culture and ideas. They help to bring the world closer—and make good friends in the process. More than 8000 young people each year have experiences like these through Rotary Youth Exchange. It is the opportunity of a lifetime.



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ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS



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Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be aged 14-30, but most clubs and districts choose to focus on a narrower age range. RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship and personal growth and aims to :

- ☉ Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for Youth
- ☉ Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders
- ☉ Encourage leadership of Youth by Youth
- ☉ Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities.



Special points of interest:

- Information Resources at the Rotary International Europe Africa Office
- Bruce Whitfield and Eva Heidbreder are joining the District Conference Cruise
- Dr Henk Kayser is taking a well deserved rest

Thank you so much to all the clubs I visited during August 2009. I sincerely appreciate the time and effort you afforded me. The Rotary Clubs of Kroonstad and Aliwal North had **100%** attendance at the DG's Visit! I am convinced that the Future of Rotary is in Good Hands! Anne

ROTARACT



Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are either community or university based, and they're sponsored by a local Rotary club. This makes them true 'partners in service'

and key members of the family of Rotary. As one of Rotary's most significant and fastest-growing service programs, with more than 7000 clubs in about 163 countries and geographical areas, Rotaract has become a world-wide phenomenon.



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EARLYACT

Earlyact is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young children in Primary School.

Please help to update the current District 9320 EARLYACT Club Database

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| 1. Hubert Hurd | RC of Port Elizabeth West |
| 2. Balmoral | RC of Lukhanji Sunset |
| 3. Jeffrey's Bay | RC of Jeffrey's Bay |
| 4. Gonubie | RC of Gonubie |
| 5. Stutterheim | RC of Stutterheim |
| 6. St Andrews | RC of Bloemfontein Raadzaal |
| 7. Kenton Primary | RC of Kenton-on-Sea |



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INTERACT



Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people aged 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting. Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of:

- ☉ Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- ☉ Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- ☉ Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- ☉ Advancing international understanding and goodwill



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DISTRICT GOALS for 2009-2010
Remember to check your club's progress on 30 September 2009.

- ◆ How is your club doing on membership development? Will your club have a membership increase of 10% by 31 March 2010?
- ◆ Will your club qualify for a Presidential Citation by 31 March 2010?

The Presidential Citation Brochure is printed on page 30 of the District Directory.

EACH ROTARIAN: REACH ONE, KEEP ONE

The new membership slogan emphasizes the need for Rotarians to focus on both recruitment and retention in their membership growth efforts.

The RI Board of Directors adopted a new membership slogan, "Each Rotarian: Reach One, Keep One" at its June 2009 meeting.

The slogan emphasizes the need for Rotarians to focus on both recruitment and retention in their membership growth efforts.

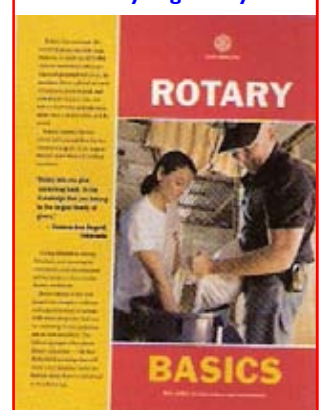
"membership development is each Rotarian's responsibility," said Paul Netzel, a member of RI's Membership Development and Retention Committee and a past RI director.

"REACH ONE" reminds us that because Rotary membership is by invitation, it is essential that each Rotarian reaches out and invites someone to join.

"KEEP ONE" reminds us that it is not sufficient to simply sponsor someone into Rotary; we must also see that new members become active and involved Rotarians. We know this is an essential element in membership retention." added Netzel, a member of the Rotary Club of Los Angeles.



Give new club members a quick overview of Rotary with this colourful 8-page pamphlet
www.rotary.org/rotarybasics



This Norfolk Pine Tree was planted by Paul Harris in 1934 in St Georges Park in Port Elizabeth during his visit to South Africa. President Sarel Steyn of the Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth took great pride in introducing DG Anne to this remarkable living relic of the Founder of Rotary International.

Less is more

District Secretary Collin Hyman wrote the following article as his weekly contribution to "Your City" a local newspaper in Klerksdorp.

A few years ago a Rotarian friend of mine, did a motorbike trip through Africa.

He gave a great talk to our Rotary Club on his adventure. One of the things I like about Rotary is its eclectic nature. A veritable pot pourri of differing personalities and characters. My friend is part of that amalgam that goes into making up the construct of a typical Rotary Club, not only here, but also elsewhere in the world. Our ranks are simply made up of ordinary folks bound by a desire to be of service to those less fortunate. And to have some fun in the process. Members are also encouraged to give talks on trips, visits etc. By doing so a person's public-speaking skills are enhanced. A person's self confidence also gets a boost.

One of the things that stuck with me was my friend's story about the simple Sudanese farmers they met, who were prepared to share what little they had with the visiting bikers. Truly a case of

Less is More. This simple act of generosity speaks volumes. These people were prepared to share with strangers who in all probability they will never see again. No counting of the cost. No quid pro quo. Less was truly more. Their caring for fellow humans was more, their consideration for others above themselves was more.

We in our more modern state tend to develop a sort of myopia where we can afford to turn a blind eye to those in need around us. Possibly as case of More is Less. I'm not being cynical when I say that we can learn so much about life from those less sophisticated and less fortunate than ourselves.

There is a casual relationship between our material world involving our needs and wants or more crudely our greed and our fear. An unstoppable process is always at work. For want of a better term it is known as the wheel of fortune. As far back as the Middle Ages, people knew very well that power, riches and glory were impermanent and ephemeral. This kaleidoscope was visually expressed in Gothic cathedrals & manuscripts. What was depicted at the top of the wheel was a man (the King) with a crown and scepter in hand. On the side of the "Wheel of Fortune" was the Roman

goddess Fortuna, turning the wheel. The next picture showed the wheel turned a little, and so on until the King was upside down, his crown fallen off. His power and glory lost. Fortuna then gives the wheel another crank, and who was at the bottom is carried high to glory again.

The above cameo is a simple allegory of the cyclical nature of the rise and fall. A metaphor of the transient nature of things.

The recent turmoil in the world economic and financial markets is a particularly good example of such a cyclical movement. Where more become much less virtually overnight.

Since its nadir last year, markets have generally been recovering. Those who sat it out or were not forced to sell are finding returning value. Less is more once again.

Both the Bedouin that my friend encountered in the Sudan and the stock market speculator, while poles apart economically, are nonetheless strange bedfellows to that great spectacle of life the "Wheel of Fortune".

Both rich and poor have to attend. No one is excused. For sooner or later the wheel will turn, Yet again, some will smile, some will sigh.

Information Resources for 2009-2010

Below you will find an overview of different Rotary International Europe Africa Office (EAO) Support Staff as well as a helpful list of online information resources.

Club and District Support (CDS) Staff serve as your primary contact at EAO. They can answer questions about Rotary and provide advice on club elections, constitutional matter, club operations and RI Board policy. Go to

<http://www.rotary.org/ClubDistrictReps> to learn the names and contact information of your CDS representatives.

Contact your **Financial Representative** with questions about the Semi-Annual Report (SAR) and your club's financial balances with Rotary. Follow the link <http://www.rotary.org/ClubDistrictReps> to find your club's financial representative.

Register with Rotary's **Member Access Portal (MAP)** to make changes to your club data, reference various Rotary Foundation reports, print your club's SAR, pay your club dues and report next year's club officers. For full instructions and helpful suggestions, download a presentation file at http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_ppt/elearn_member_access.ppt

Visit the **Rotary E-Learning Center**, a useful online resource for the independent study of Rotary at

<http://www.rotary.org/ElearningCenter>

Download Resources for running a club can be found under

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningAClub/DownloadLibrary/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Visit the **Rotary Shop** to order club publications, audiovisuals, forms and supplies. Go to

<http://shop.rotary.org/catalog/>

Congratulations to the Rotary Clubs of Orkney and Gonubie with the launch of their Websites.

District Conference
Joining
the
cruise

Bruce Whitfield

Named Sanlam's Financial Journalist of the Year. Overall winner in Citadel's Words on Money competition, he also presents *The World at Six* on Talk Radio 702 and *567 Cape Talk*. He is also presenter of the program *Stock Watch* on Summit TV.



Eva Heidbreder

This 1994 Rotary Exchange Student, holds a PhD in Political Science from the European University Institute in Florence, Italy and works as a teaching assistant to former Prime Minister of Italy Prof. G Amato, one of the architects of the revised European Union Constitution.



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A Short Break for Dr Henk

Dr. Henk Kayser has, due to ill health, taken leave of absence from his duties as the Chairman of District 9320 Romex.

Dr. Henk joined the Rotary Club of Arcadia in 1984 and had to miss membership from 1990 till 1993 when he was Minister of Health of the Ciskei and wasn't allowed to belong to any organizations like Rotary. He rejoined 1993.



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The Rotary Club of Arcadia in East London took note in 1997 of severe shortages in the medical field in our district. A Carl P. Miller Discovery Grant from the Rotary Foundation, to investigate this, was awarded, which enabled PP Henk Kayser to visit 16 Rotary districts in The Netherlands, Canada and the United States, during 1998. The result of this initiative was the formation of the Rotary Medical Equipment Bank (MEB), a combined project of the seven Rotary districts in The Netherlands, and the formation of the District 9320 Rotary Medical Equipment Exchange (Romex) in South Africa.

To date ninety consignments, mostly 40 foot containers, received from the USA, Canada, the UK, Germany and the Netherlands,

were cleared. All transport costs to East London have been taken care of Rotary Districts abroad. Romex has had support from the Department of Trade & Industry for the import permits, the SA Revenue Services for exemption from Vat payment, Portnet and Spoornet for waiving their charges and our clearing agents, first Kuehne & Nagel and lately World Net Logistics have rendered their services pro Deo. Since recently they have had to charge a minimal fee. RRN Removals of Past President Raj Naidoo of the Gately club transported all containers free of charge, which enabled us to off-load these containers in our warehouse in East London at little cost.

A great variety of items, from ambulances to dressings, which are used by hospitals or clinics, hospices, old age homes or are needed by charitable organisations caring for the sick and disabled, have been received. Lately, school, household and other items have been included as well.

Romex has obtained a permanent storage venue in the old BKB wool store in East London and have had to pay rent since 1 June 2006.

Rotary clubs assess local needs and other institutions apply for assistance and receive an inventory of what is in stock. Sixty Rotary clubs, mainly in our district, but some as far as Cape Town, Pretoria and Durban, have collected goods in East London. Through this distribution network and direct allocations in the periphery of the warehouse thousands of people with dire needs have benefitted. The stories of the needs we try to provide for are endless.

According to Dr. Henk it is a privilege for Romex to be part of an international network of caring Rotarians and charitable organisations overseas and helping hands in government departments and private firms in South Africa to provide help were it is so badly needed.

Become a Blood Buddy
 Contact **Vaughan Thorndike** on
083 532 0271

RI Exchange Rate
For September
1 USD = R 7.80

Please pray for the speedy recovery of those members of the Rotary family who are ill and those who will have or had surgery.

Edwin Kroutz—Cradock
Henk Kayser—Arcadia
Melanie Roberts—Algoa Bay

In Memoriam

Our Prayers and thoughts are with all those Rotarians and their families who have lost loved ones.

Our dear friend PP Dave Griffiths of the Rotary Club of Orkney passed away on 26 August 2009. He was a Rotarian for 30 years and a Paul Harris Fellow.



CALENDAR	
SEPTEMBER 2009	
New Generations Month	
Report on District Goals Deadline 30/09/09	
Basic PRLS Welkom 24/10/09	
Basic PRLS East London 31/10/09	
District Conference 20/11/09 - 23/11/09	
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Pre-Conference Finance Committee Meeting
 Pre-Conference Governor's Advisory Council
 Pre-Conference Strategy Committee Meeting

National Arbor Week

DG Visit: GRAHAMSTOWN SUNSET
 Report to District Attendance Officer

DG Visit: PORT ALFRED

DG Visit: GRAHAMSTOWN
 DG Visit: KING WILLIAMS TOWN
 DG Visit: EAST LONDON
 DG Visit: EAST LONDON SUNRISE
 Ambassadorial Scholar Interviews
 DG Visit: ARCADIA

DG Visit: GONUBIE

DG Visit: BEACON BAY

DG Visit: GATELY

DG Visit: STUTTERHEIM

DG Visit: BONZA BAY

DG Visit: LUKHANJI SUNSET

DG Visit: QUEENSTOWN
 SA Heritage Day

DG Visit: CRADOCK
 DG Visit: GRAAFF REINET

World Tourism Day

GSE leaves for D1020

Report on District Goals

Kim's Chatter Box ...

May your Spring be the start of a whole lot of beautiful new beginnings!
Lots of love Kim



Dance for a Cure, GlaxoSmithKline & Netcare Media Release **A collaborative effort leads to a life changing gift for orphaned girls**

When a bus load of medical professionals, business women and TV personalities arrived at the *Abraham Kriel Maria Kloppers Orphanage*, in Langlaagte recently there was a sense of excitement in the air.

Nothing unusual about this as visitors always create excitement amongst those who belong to a family of orphans; if they are bringing presents this excitement reaches a whole new level. Such was the case last Friday when several motivated and involved entities banded together to bring a special gift to a substantial number of girls at the orphanage. But what the girls will not realise until they are a little older, is just how extraordinary this gift was, and what long lasting value it will have in their lives –increased protection against the number one cancer killer in South African women, cervical cancer.

The initiative, spearheaded by "*Dance for a Cure*", an organisation dedicated to the fight against cervical cancer, was implemented with the help of Netcare, GlaxoSmithKline, and some committed individuals. In a cosy room on the orphanage premises, a collaborative effort led to an afternoon of education, giving and love, where all parties involved gave of themselves in order to provide the girls with something that every girl needs - a Nobel Prize winning discovery that has made cervical cancer vaccination a reality.



Business Corner

IMPORTANT!

If you will be attending the Anns' AGM on the Ship, PLEASE let me know before the end of October.

 Anns' Merit Awards - Buy 2 get one free! R60 each, Contact me.

FLAMINGO ANNS 2009-2010 PROJECTS & FUNDRAISING PLANS

Fundraising:

Chance To Dance

Raffles @ yearly Golf Day

Craft table @ Flea Market

Madam & Eve Tea (we pay for our Nanny's to be treated for the morning)

White Elephant Stall @ Flea Market.

Projects:

Support our Mercy Fund for Hospice

Wish list for Old Age Home (kitchen things)

Soup Kitchen

Provide Tea and Biscuits for Pregnant Ladies once a week @ the Clinic

Support for Zoe House (Support for Pregnant girls and ladies)

We are paying for a young girl to go to College.

DG Anne

Is Reading:-

The Tipping Point - Malcolm Gladwell

Eat Pray Love - Elizabeth Gilbert

Her Favourite Movie:- *As it is in Heaven*

Is Wearing/Perfume:-

Chanel No. 5

Likes:- shamefully underrated Klerksdorp sunsets

Dislikes:- Hospitals & RAP music

Favourite flower:- Rose

Favourite holiday spot:- no computers , everlasting power failure?

