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From the President's Pen

Dear Members and Family of Rotary

The trauma facility at the Reygerdal Primary School in Atlantis is steadily taking shape, and with the generous donation of time and expertise from Melt Wahl Concrete Services we have now got the foundation and floor in place. The final construction of the walls and roof will be completed within the next few weeks. Very big thanks to the Rotarians involved in this project!

March is the month of the Pick and Pay Argus Cycle Tour. Get your hats and your sunscreen ready as we will need all the help we can get. I want to thank David and Vic for the planning the detailed photo's and setup plans that have been brought to the club for discussion. I would again like to urge all members and friends who have provided help in the past to be available on the day to help us make another success out of this year's Argus.

In the month of February we had visitors from the Rotary Club of Worsley which is the Rotary Club involved with District in a Matching Grant to finance the purchase of wheelchairs. We were also very honoured to have Milton Frary, the Director of the Wheelchair Foundation UK, visit our club with a presentation.

We also welcomed back our outgoing exchange student, Jamie Langemann, who has spent the last year in Brazil.

Have a wonderful last week of February and see you at the Argus!

Riaan

Bellville Club Calender

Birthday

03 March	Sylvia Phillips
04 March	Gerald Orlandini
16 March	Antoinette Saunders
17 March	Jan Leerkamp
22 March	Gloria Sturgeon

Anniversaries

29 March	Gavin and Rita Brereton
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Club Diary

13 March	P&P Argus Cycle Tour
7 April	Bellville Rotary Golf Day
3 May	Choir Evening
28 June	Induction of Malcolm Saunders as President

The Month that Was

Erection of the Trauma Counseling Centre at Reygersdal School in Atlantis

The prefab Trauma Centre house project is nearly completed. Johann Claassen had built the frame for the building some time back but the completion of the job was dependent on finding a sponsor for the slab on which to erect the centre. Fortunately AFRISAM donated the concrete and Melt Wahl Cement Works threw the slab for us at a discounted price so the project is well on its way to completion.

Thanks must go to Johann Claassen and Connoisseur Moldings for building the house and, to Dave Rawbone and Target Rigging for transporting the building from Sack's Circle to Atlantis.



Dave Rawbone's Target Rigging truck collecting the Trauma Centre house from Connoisseur Moldings



The framework almost completed at Atlantis

Visit by Touring Wheelchair Foundation Rotarians

During the month the club was visited by a group of Rotarians from the United Kingdom and their wives. The Rotarians were from the Rotary Club of Worsley in Manchester. Worsley Rotary combined with District 9350 and successfully applied to the Rotary Foundation for a Matching Grant with which to fund 108 Wheelchairs from the Wheelchair Foundation UK for distribution to the needy in our district. Traveling with the Worsley Rotarians were Milton and Elaine Frary. Milton is a PDG and is the Director of the Wheelchair Foundation UK.

The wheelchairs arrived in Cape Town and were unloaded into Groote Schuur Hospital storage on the 20 December 2010. Part of the Conditions of the Foundation's Matching Grant was that the donating club had to be involved in more than merely the financing of the wheelchairs so the touring party came to Cape Town to assist with some of the wheelchair handovers. as well as to see what local conditions are like and to visit some of our clubs.

Jeff Barnes (Worsley RC) presented an interesting slide show on the Worsley area and its Rotary Club, while Milton Frary explained some of the ideals of the Wheelchair Foundation.

Peter Vurgarellis arranged for the Durbanville Rotary Club to raid us that evening so much fellowship was enjoyed by everyone.



Riaan with the touring UK Rotarians

L to R Jeff Barnes, Elaine Frary, Barbara Baguley, Bryan Baguley, Milton Frary, Joyce Barnes and Riaan

Return of our out going exchange student

Jamie Langemann, our 1010 outgoing Exchange Student to Brazil, visited the club during the month. She gave us an interesting talk on what life was like for an English speaking student in a Portuguese speaking country.



Jamie and Riaan exchange banners

What Paul Harris Said

"Glancing back through my anniversary messages of the past, it seemed to me that I had covered every inch of the ground; that I had told everything I knew. Then the thought came to me that I had omitted the question Rotarians most frequently ask me: "When you founded Rotary, did you think that it would come to anything like this?"

My answer to that question is, "No." My thoughts on that day 42 years ago this month when the first Club first met, were far from any such thing. Recall Andrew Carnegie's answer to an adoring lady who asked him if he did not think that his great work was inspirational: "No, madam, I think it was more perspirational than inspirational."

So it was in Rotary. There was no inspired beginning. Young businessmen, mostly from the country, came in response to my call. Unacquainted with city life, we gathered together to help and befriend each other. We had been lonesome and we had found a cure for lonesomeness. We looked forward to meetings as a traveller in a desert looks forward to oases. We banished "Mister" and used first names. Silvester Schiele suggested photographs in our roster and the reading of papers on our respective businesses. Harry Ruggles contributed Club singing."

~From a speech given in 1947 by Paul P. Harris, founder of Rotary

Expanded "This Close" resources available

By Wayne Hearn

Rotary International News -- 31 January 2011

Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, has joined the growing roster of public figures and celebrities participating in Rotary's "This Close" public service announcement campaign for polio eradication.

Rotarians can help Rotary achieve its goal of a polio-free world by using the public service announcements, which explain that "we're this close to ending polio." Television versions are now available in English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish. A radio version also is available in English, with other languages to follow.

In late February, the campaign will offer an online, interactive feature -- thisclose.net -- that will allow individual Rotarians and members of the general public to personalize "This Close" ads with their own names and faces.

Also new to the campaign are Archie Panjabi, a film and television actress, and A.R. Rahman, an Indian composer and music producer who received two Academy Awards for his contributions to the 2008 hit film *Slumdog Millionaire*. In all, 24 notables -- from Nobel Peace Prize laureate Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu and action movie star Jackie Chan to golf legend Jack Nicklaus and conservationist Jane Goodall -- are raising their thumbs and forefingers in the "this close" gesture in the print, outdoor, and broadcast public service announcements being distributed worldwide.

Rotary clubs can use the ads within their communities to increase awareness of and support for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge, the ongoing effort to raise \$200 million for polio eradication to match \$355 million in challenge grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Clubs and districts are encouraged to customize the "This Close" ads to help promote their own polio fundraising efforts, and to seek donated or discounted placements from their local newspapers, outdoor advertising companies, and television and radio stations. The materials complement the polio eradication component of Rotary's broader Humanity in Motion public image campaign.

The "This Close" ads were introduced at the 2010 International Assembly. Print ads have since run in several publications, including The Rotarian magazine, USA Today, the Chicago Tribune, and the Wall Street Journal Asia. Rotarians at the 2010 RI Convention also saw them at Montréal-Trudeau International Airport.

The RI Public Relations Division sought participants who represent a wide range of professions, accomplishments, interests, and levels of celebrity. There are figures of international and cross-cultural fame, such as Tutu, Queen Noor of Jordan, and classical violinist Itzhak Perlman, as well as figures who are well known within specific countries, regions, and cultures, such as Bollywood superstar Amitabh Bachchan, Nigerian soccer star Nwankwo Kanu, Beninese singer Angélique Kidjo, and Korean ballerina Sue Jin Kang.

Perlman, a polio survivor, has been particularly supportive of Rotary's polio eradication effort. He will perform in his second benefit Concert to End Polio on 7 March with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at Symphony Center. The first Concert to End Polio was a sold-out event featuring Perlman and members of the New York Philharmonic, who performed at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in December 2009.

Rotarians Increasing Immunization in Congo

Rotarians in the Republic of the Congo are stepping up their efforts to help stop the recent outbreak of wild poliovirus in their country. The national PolioPlus committee has produced more than US\$100,000 worth of posters, pamphlets, banners, T-shirts, and other materials to help mobilize public support for eradicating the disease.

At least 179 people have died in the outbreak, with 476 cases of acute flaccid paralysis (AFP) reported as of 7 December. Most of the cases involve young people between ages 15 and 29 and have occurred in the city of Pointe-Noire. To date, 12 of the AFP cases have been confirmed as polio. Georges Moyon, the nation's health minister, says the Rotarians' support was well targeted and timely. "All you have offered, Pointe-Noire has lacked," he says. "The weakness is a lack of social mobilization."

Rotary International and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative -- the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are responding strategically to the outbreak. Rotary has provided a total of \$500,000 in emergency grants to WHO and UNICEF for immediate polio immunization efforts throughout the country.

The outbreak is due to imported polio virus that is related to the virus circulating in Angola. The Congo Republic recorded its last case of indigenous polio in 2000, and urgent action is required by government and partner agencies to again make the country polio-free.

"Polio outbreaks highlight our global vulnerability to infectious disease," says Dr. Robert Scott, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "It reinforces the fact that polio 'control' is not an option, and only successful eradication will stop the disease."

The Congo Republic carried out National Immunization Days (NIDs) in November and early December, and NIDs are scheduled again for 11 January. "Every man, every

woman, every child will be immunized irrespective of their past immunization status," says Dr. Luis Sambo, WHO regional director for Africa. "This way we can be assured that everybody is reached, including young adults, whose immunity may be low."

Outbreaks of imported polio cases are not uncommon during eradication efforts, underscoring the critical need to stop transmission of the virus in the remaining polio-endemic countries: Pakistan, Afghanistan, India, and Nigeria.

"Our experience shows that where polio transmission has been stopped before, it can be stopped again," Scott says. "A fast, large-scale, high-quality immunization response using the new tools at hand, along with strong surveillance, is absolutely critical."

Source: Rotary International News

Irish Sawmill

Paddy and Mick are two Irishmen working at the local sawmill. One day, Mick slips and his arm gets caught and severed by the big bench saw. Paddy quickly puts the limb in a plastic bag and rushes it and Mick to the local hospital.

Next day, Paddy goes to the hospital and asks after Mick. The nurse says, 'Oh he's out in Rehab exercising'. Paddy couldn't believe it, but here's Mick out the back exercising his now re-attached arm. The very next day he's back at work in the saw mill.

A couple of days go by, and then Mick slips and severs his leg on another bloody big saw. So Paddy puts the limb in a plastic bag and rushes it and Mick off to hospital. Next day he calls in to see him and asks the nurse how he is. The nurse replies, 'He's out in the Rehab again exercising'. And sure enough, here's Mick out there doing some serious work on the treadmill. And very soon Mick comes back to work.

But, as usual, within a couple of days he has another accident and severs his head. Warily Paddy puts the head in a plastic bag and transports it and Mick to hospital. Next day he goes in and asks the nurse how Mick is. The nurse breaks down and cries and says, 'He's dead.' Paddy is shocked, but not surprised. 'I suppose the saw finally did him in.'

'No', says the nurse, 'Some dopey idiot put his head in a plastic bag and he suffocated'.

Some Wise Thoughts

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.
Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting one in a fruit salad.
We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
War does not determine who is right – only who is left.

Lucky Me!

I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92.

Have lost all my friends. But, thank God,

I still have my driver's license.

I said: "Send me a 25 year old escort to my villa!"



Bellville Rotary Club Attendance Dec 2010 and Jan2011

	7-Dec	14-Dec	11-Jan	18-Jan	25-Jan	Mth	Ytd
Boshoff, Marli	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Boshoff, Riaan	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Brereton, Gavin	P	MU	P	P	A	80%	70%
Claassen, Johann	P	MU	MU	P	P	100%	100%
Daly, Richard	A	A	P	P	A	40%	33%
De La Cornillere, P	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
du Plessis, Jimmy	P	P	P	MU	MU	100%	100%
Evans, Barry	MU	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Geboers, Andre	P	P	A	P	P	80%	56%
Gordon, George	P	P	P	P	P	100%	89%
Holtzhausen, David	MU	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Leerkamp, Jan	P	P	P	P	P	100%	39%
Neumann, Marlene	A	A	P	P	P	60%	78%
Neusch, Hans	P	MU	P	P	P	100%	100%
Neusch, Joan	P	MU	P	P	P	100%	100%
Orlandini, Annalie	P	P	A	P	A	60%	60%
Orlandini, Gerald	P	P	A	P	A	60%	67%
Phillips, Sylvia	P	A	P	P	P	80%	32%
Poole, Chris	A	P	P	P	P	80%	76%
Rawbone, Dave	A	P	P	A	P	60%	73%
Richie, Chris	A	P	A	P	A	40%	55%
Rosewall, Mike	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Saunders, Malcolm	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Shone, Dudley	P	P	P	P	P	100%	77%
Spies, Johan	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Spies, Rina	P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Storkey, Vic	MU	MU	MU	P	P	100%	100%
Tappenden, Tappy	P	P	P	P	P	100%	93%
Taylor, Brian	P	A	A	A	A	20%	67%
Wilson, Bill	P	P	P	P	P	100%	81%
% Present	83%	87%	83%	93%	80%		

Year to date information is the average of the months totals and is therefore not accurate