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Rotary Bellville Members, Family and Friends,

Well I cannot believe that the festive season is already upon us and we are soon into the second half of the Rotary year.

The month that was – November was a reasonably quiet month as far as Rotary activities are concerned. Some of us marshalled for Rotary Club of Goodwood at their annual Klein Joostenberg Cycle Race and there was a small amount of food donated by National Brands again which was distributed to organisations by Vic Storkey – thanks Vic for handling this for the club.

As usual the calibre of speakers organised during November were of a high standard and found interesting by all.

Three of our members attended the PR Seminar put on by District and I am sure we shall reap the benefits in time to come. Please be reminded that it is our duty as Rotarians to be on constant PR alert so that we can convey the good work of Rotary to all that we come into contact with. We should always be on the lookout for opportunities to help those less fortunate than ourselves, to raise funds and to attract new members to the club.

On the subject of opportunities I would also like to remind all of my R 1 000 000.00 Challenge. The deadline is April next year.

Golf Day – 29th March 2012. We now know that our fellow Northern Suburbs clubs will not be joining us in a combined project therefore every one of us needs to contribute towards making the day a success. Let's make the Golf Day organising committee proud of their club by every one contributing something towards the prizes and using our contacts to sell four-balls and green sponsorships to make our 2012 Golf day the most lucrative to date.

Let's get out there and make a difference no matter how big or small and remember to **"Ring the changes for the good of the community we serve"**

Malcolm

Bellville Club Calender

Birthdays

04 December	Hans Neusch
05 December	Jan Taylor
12 December	Linda Claassen
19 December	Des Hyland
27 December	Barry Evans

Anniversaries

04 December	Vic and Margaret Storkey
11 December	Johan and Linda Claassen
12 December	Chris and Denise Ritchie
15 December	Peter and Liz de la Cornillere
17 December	Richard and Felicity Daly
17 December	Johan and Rina Spies
29 December	George and Ina Gordon
30 December	Riaan and Marli Boshoff

Club Diary

14 December	Bellville RC Year End Function
11 March 2012	Argus Pick 'n Pay Cycle Tour
29 March 2012	Bellville Rotary Golf Day

The Month that was

Marshaling at the Goodwood Rotary Cycle Race

November is traditionally the time when the Rotary Club of Goodwood hold their annual cycle race near Paarl. As usual we were asked to supply route marshals for the event. As is tradition those marshaling decided to have breakfast before we split up and went to our marshaling points. After some of our Rotarians got lost, we eventually gathered on the island next to the R44 to have our breakfast. Mike as usual cooked us a gourmet meal.

Thank you to those Bellville Rotarians who gave up their Sunday lie in to help. A special thank you to Mike for cooking a superb meal.



Mike, Jan, Barry, Bill, Dudley and Malcolm enjoying breakfast before the arrival of the 1st cyclist



Father Mike, the cook, enjoys the last of his breakfast. Looks as though tomatoes were not too popular.

Visit to the Groote Schuur Heart transplant Museum

For Partners Evening on the 25 October we were very fortunate to have had Marlene organise a visit to the Groote Shuur Hospital Museum. On 3 December 1967 Dr Chris Barnard and his team performed the world's first transplant of a human heart in Groote Schuur. After an interesting and informative video on the life of Chris Barnard we were taken on a tour of the operating theaters where the drama took place. Today more than 10 000 heart transplants take place world wide.

Thank you to Marlene and Jan for organising a very interesting and different Partners Evening.



Doctor Chris Barnard, as he was in 1967, in his office



Scene from the "Donor operatingTheatre" with Jan and Barry looking on

Rotary District 9350 Public Relations Workshop

On 12 November the District 9350 Public Relations officer organised a training session workshop for Rotary Club PROs and other interested Rotarians. The training covered a wide range of topics ranging from how to work with the media to Presentationo's and Don'ts. The speakers knew their subjects and everyone found it most interesting.

Included in the program was a talk on the social media and how to make it work for ones club. Everyone seems to think that this is the way of the future but I am still to be convinced – must be the dinosaur in me!

Thank you to the organisers for an interesting and varied program that kept to its time slots. A very special thank you to Malcolm for encouraging us to attend.



Knysna Rotarian Irmela Packendorf with Peter de la C and Henriette Venter

Visit by touring Wheelchair Foundation UK Rotarians

During November, Mike Rosewall and Peter de la C, hosted two Rotarian couples from the Castleford Rotary Club in Yorkshire. Milton Frary, chairman of the Wheelchair Foundation UK, was responsible for getting the containers of wheelchairs that District 9350 distributed over the last few years. He and Alan Drewitt had been in District 9320 with their wives, to attend wheelchair handovers in places as far afield as Kimberley and Port Alfred. They decided to visit the Cape at the end tour to unwind and asked if we could accommodate them. Milton will be back in January for wheelchair handovers in our District.

A special thank you to Debra and Liz, both teachers busy with their year, for hosting the tourists.

Making water pure and simple

As your dentist knows, some fluoride is a good thing. Too much, however, can be devastating. The residents of Patari, a village in Uttar Pradesh, are among the millions of people in India who suffer the consequences of fluorosis, an irreversible condition caused by elevated levels of fluoride in drinking water.

The dental symptoms of fluorosis include mottling and erosion of tooth enamel, and its painful effects on bones can result in deformities, calcification of ligaments and tendons, and osteosclerosis.

“The fluoride, because of its strength, rots teeth and destroys bones,” says Maurice Halliday, past governor of District 1020 (Scotland), which worked with District 3110 (India) to provide fluoride filters to 60 families in Patari through a Rotary Foundation Global Grant project. “Many people are bent and bowlegged, if not totally disabled. Farm animals are also affected.”

In a 2001 study of Patari and three nearby villages, researchers measured fluoride content in drinking water. The World Health Organization has set 1.5 milligrams of fluoride per liter of water as the safe upper limit; in Patari, drinking water measured up to 3.45 milligrams per liter. The body absorbs as much as 90 percent of the fluoride in drinking water, and the risks increase for people who perform manual labor in hot climates such as Patari’s, because they drink more water than average.

Fluoride occurs naturally in water throughout the world, with several belts of high groundwater concentrations. One stretches from Eritrea to Malawi, and another from Turkey through Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, India, northern Thailand, and China. In China, fluorosis is endemic in every province, autonomous region, and municipality except Shanghai. In India, it affects about 25 million people.

According to a WHO report, “fluorosis might be one of the most widespread of endemic health problems associated with natural geochemistry.”

Earlier this year, photographer Allison Kwesell traveled to Patari and several other villages to document the children – in whom the irreversible effects of too much fluoride are only beginning to surface – and their parents and grandparents, hunched over canes, legs bowed.

She also photographed the Indian Rotarians who delivered the specially designed filters. The US\$40,000 global grant project also provided toilet blocks, safe drinking water, and hygiene training to eight schools serving about 2,300 students in Uttar Pradesh. The effort addressed two areas of focus under the Foundation’s Future Vision Plan: disease prevention and treatment, and water and sanitation.

WHO estimates that almost one-tenth of the global disease burden could be prevented by improving water supply, sanitation and hygiene.. As the Indian villages demonstrate, the solution requires a targeted approach, including assessments of each community’s needs.

The Rotary Foundation enjoys high ratings from charity watchdogs

Many philanthropists say it is more difficult to give money away intelligently than it is to earn it. As charities' financial practices make headlines, many donors are concerned about how their money is used.

Rotarians can be confident that their contributions to The Rotary Foundation are being well spent.

The Foundation has earned a grade of A+ from the American Institute of Philanthropy, a top rating of four stars from Charity Navigator, and full accreditation from the Wise Giving Alliance of the Better Business Bureau.

Only 2.3 percent of Foundation expenditures go to administrative expenses, and 7.3 percent go to fundraising. The Foundation focuses more than 90 percent of its spending on programs, far exceeding the threshold of 75 percent that independent charity-rating services view as a measure of high efficiency.

That comes as no surprise to Foundation Trustee Steve Brown, who says the organization's grant application and review process contains the safeguards necessary to ensure that funds are used wisely.

Typically, Brown explains, international projects funded by the Foundation involve a sponsor club or district, which partners with an on-site host club or district. Funding may go through the sponsor or host. To implement a project, clubs must spell out what they plan on doing, how they plan on doing it, and what Rotarians' involvement will be. All projects require a detailed budget and often additional supporting documentation before receiving Foundation approval.

Once an approved project is funded, Brown says, a detailed progress report must be presented within one year. The reporting includes verification of what has happened (usually with photos) and requires copies of bank statements showing the flow of funds. The presidents of either the host or sponsor club must sign off on the report.

The Foundation has a stewardship committee that can review a project and impose a resolution if issues occur. If money was improperly spent, a club can be asked to return funds or even have its membership in Rotary International terminated.

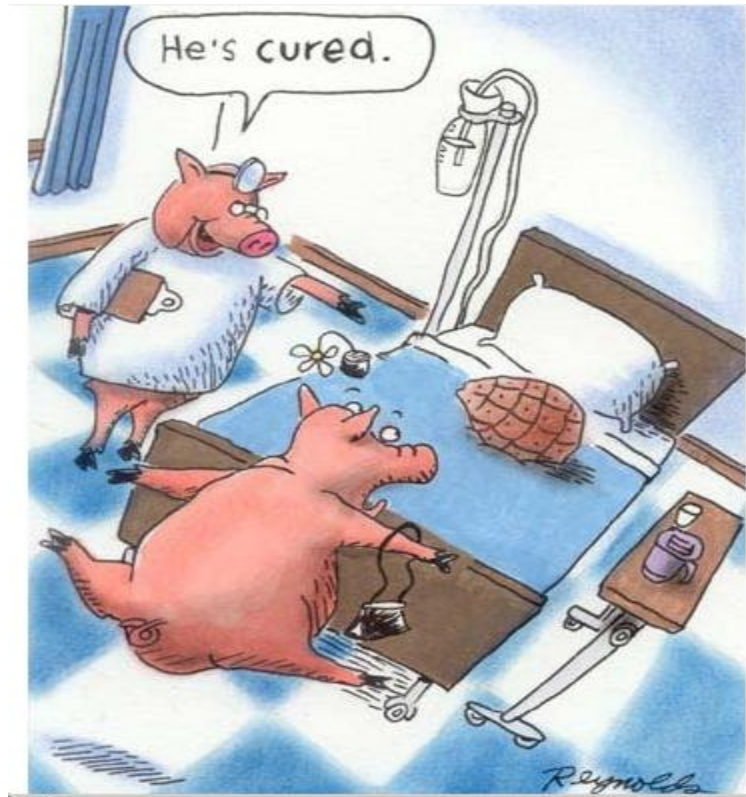
"You don't want to have everything controlled from Evanston," Brown says. "We probably have more complaints about our rigorous stewardship than applause for it. But 99 percent of the time, things go the way we expect."

Historic Moments – Roots of Rotary's polio efforts

On 29 September 1979, Rotarians and delegates of the Philippine Ministry of Health looked on as volunteers administered drops of the lifesaving Sabin polio vaccine to children in the Manila barrio of Guadalupe Viejo.

When James L. Bomar Jr., then RI president, put the first drops of vaccine into a child's mouth, he ceremonially launched the Philippine poliomyelitis immunization effort, and Rotary's first Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grant project was underway. Bomar joined Enrique M. Garcia, the country's minister of health, in signing the contract committing Rotary International and the government of the Philippines to a joint five-year effort to immunize about six million children against polio at a cost of about US\$760,000.

Sick Humour



Jewish Modesty

A Catholic, a Protestant, a Muslim and a Jew were in a discussion during a dinner.

Catholic: "I have a large fortune....I am going to buy Citibank!"

Protestant: "I am very wealthy and will buy General Motors!"

Muslim: "I am a fabulously rich prince.... I intend to purchase Microsoft!"

They then all wait for the Jew to speak....

The Jew stirs his coffee, places the spoon neatly on the table, takes a sip of his coffee, looks at them and casually says:

"I'm not selling!!!..."

Blonde Cheerleader



Rotary Bellville Attendance Statistics October 2011

	04 Oct	11Oct	18 Oct	25 Oct	Mth	Ytd
Boshoff, Marli	A	A	P	A	25%	19%
Boshoff, Riaan	P	MU	MU	A	75%	63%
Brereton, Gavin	P	A	P	A	50%	81%
Claassen, Johann	MU	A	P	MU	75%	88%
Daly, Richard	P	A	A	A	25%	44%
De La Comillere, P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
du Plessis, Jimmy	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Evans, Barry	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Gordon, George	P	P	P	P	100%	50%
Holtzhausen, David	P	P	MU	P	100%	100%
Leerkamp, Jan	P	P	P	P	100%	75%
Neumann, Marlene	A	A	P	A	25%	44%
Neusch, Hans	P	P	P	MU	100%	81%
Neusch, Joan	P	P	P	MU	100%	94%
Orlandini, Annalie	A	P	P	P	75%	56%
Orlandini, Gerald	A	P	P	MU	75%	63%
Phillips, Sylvia	A	A	A	A	0%	0%
Poole, Chris	P	P	P	P	100%	94%
Rawbone, Dave	A	P	P	P	75%	81%
Richie, Chris	P	MU	P	A	75%	75%
Rosewall, Mike	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Saunders, Malcolm	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Shone, Dudley	P	P	P	P	100%	81%
Spies, Johan	P	P	P	P	100%	94%
Spies, Rina	P	P	P	P	100%	94%
Storkey, Vic	P	P	P	MU	100%	100%
Tappenden, Tappy	P	P	P	P	100%	94%
Taylor, Brian	P	MU	P	A	75%	75%
Wilson, Bill	P	P	P	A	75%	81%
	79%	79%	93%	69%		