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NEW GENERATIONS MONTH

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EDITORIAL by Alan Jackson

I have been a member of Rotary Wynberg for just over 3 months, and what an eventful and enjoyable 3 months it has been.

I have a Rotary history, in that my father was a Rotarian of the Johannesburg Central Club for a period of 41 years to the time of his passing, after having left Round Table at 40, so my teenage years involved accompanying my father to various Rotary fundraisers, and involved in community service.

Having become a Social Worker in the late 70s, I felt that as my job was directly involved in Community Service, I would not join Rotary. My view was reinforced by the rather staid meetings I attended as a guest of my father and those Rotary meetings I spoke at, and I felt that the Rotarians involved were largely involved because of the business links it offered, and not because they were committed to community service.

I have been pleased to have been set straight since having a link with Rotary Wynberg.

Firstly, I need to thank Stephen for introducing me to Wynberg Rotary, in a very welcoming, warm and under-stated way. He told the committee members of the Civic Association in the Lynfrae area of his invitation to attend the Wynberg Rotary club as his guest. I took up his offer because I was intrigued that Stephen, for whom I have a great deal of respect, was a member of the club.

Secondly, I want to thank Wynberg Rotary members for their warm welcome, and for giving me space to decide whether or not I wanted to be a member.

Thirdly, I have appreciated the fun, the hard work and the care demonstrated by members in the time I have been involved. I am in awe of the work a relatively small club is doing, and very happy to make a small contribution of my own.

Fourthly, and probably most importantly, I appreciate that many of the members of this club are frankly a little crazy! Perhaps in order to avoid being prosecuted for crimen injuria, I need to explain before going any further that I am a bit crazy myself, that I consider most people are equally crazy, and that I therefore feel comfortable with people who do not pretend not to be crazy.

I am looking forward to the coming months in the club and my involvement on the Community Service Committee.

ATTENDANCE

Membership:	24
Present:	15
Make Ups:	1
Apologies:	2
Attendance:	62.5%

Guests: Carole Wild, Sarah Yousuf, Justin Schonegevel. Rotaractors: Kerri, Lee, Jess, Chrisleen, Raihaanah, Keela, Brent Styles (prospective). Margie, CTMVC; Ralph & Winnie, CT Highlanders; Alison and Pam, St Luke's; Jenny & Taryn, Jenny Hanley Performances; Gwyneth, Symphony Choir; Mike and Jean, CT Welsh Choir.

Attendance to Biffy 082 468 7504 or aecon.e@mweb.co.za.

SLOTS

- 1) **Stephen:** Reminded us of the meeting to be held with Kromboom Rotary on 28 August 2013 which has, of course, been held by the time you read this. Those that did attend enjoyed it.
- 2) **Dave** reminded us of the social with Wynberg Rotaract and JK Nickell (and wife Kat), Ambassadorial scholar from Dallas, Texas to be and which was held at the Tenpin Bowling Alley in Claremont on 29 August 2013. Fun and enjoyable we all went for pizzas afterwards which too was enjoyed by almost all.
- 3) **Are:** Sunrise Rotary Club of Sidney, on New Foundland, in Canada has an Interact Club, where past member Ron Davies' granddaughter is a member. Her Interact Club held a fund raiser to buy beautiful baby clothes, which were handed over to be used for new young needy mothers from the maternity wing at the Retreat Community Health Centre.

This happened at the opening of a braai area for employees at Retreat Health centre on 2nd July 2013, in memory of Ron.

She brought good wishes from her sponsor club and a banner.

4) Biffy:

- a) Requested suggestions for a speaker for WORLD AIDS DAY on 5 December 2013. She's now got some leads and is following these up.
 - b) Lee Bergman of Rotaract Wynberg is the Services Director for the new year.
 - c) Constantia Rotoract is trying to reconstitute and rejuvenate itself.
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SPEAKER:

Dave Barnard introduced Laura Heathfield outlining her long history with Rotary Wynberg:

Laura Heathfield, our much respected Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, recently returned from the UK where she has spent the past year pursuing her MSc degree in Forensic Science gave the evening talk. She attended the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow and carried out a research placement at Manlove Forensics Ltd in Oxfordshire. The course comprised both theoretical and practical components, including a much enjoyed 'crime scene to court' exercise. Laura was in the biological stream and focused on areas such as bloodstain pattern analysis, sexual assault, homicide and assault, DNA and trace evidence.

During her time in the UK, Laura attended many Rotary and Rotaract events and presented to over 15 clubs around Scotland and England. Glasgow Rotary, District 1230's oldest club, was her host Rotary club and past president, Ian Dale, was Laura's assigned counsellor. Laura enjoyed many Sunday dinners, birthday celebrations and events with the Dale family.

Although being new in a country was sometimes lonely and not always easy, Laura thoroughly enjoyed the journey and has grown both personally and professionally. The many highlights, friendships and memories she has made will be cherished closely. Laura extended thanks to both Rotary International and Wynberg Rotary for giving her this opportunity and hopes that others will also be able to benefit from the inspiring programs which Rotary have to offer.

Rotary Wynberg is extremely proud of **all** Laura achieved in her studies at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow and during her time overseas. Not only did she do herself proud but did everything associated with the Ambassadorial Scholarship proud; the Scholarship, us, as Rotary Wynberg and South Africa. She is an example to us all and we wish her **every** success as she moves to the University of the Free State to take up her post there. We know that she will continue to achieve in the wonderful way she has always done, with excellence, humility and selflessly!

Some pictures detailing Laura's time at the overseas:



At the end of Laura's interesting talk Bev Bird thanked her quoting Laura's sms to Bev as she left to fly over to Scotland and which read: 'I'm about to board now. I hope I will be able to make Rotary Wynberg proud.' ***Laura you most certainly did!***

In addition to Laura's talk we were able to hand over R80 000.00 to St Luke's Hospice and keep R50 000.00 in reserve for essential equipment for Victoria Hospital - something Graham Todd, his team and all involved with Proms must feel very satisfied with and proud of!

JACKPOT:

The Jackpot stands at R1075 and the Lucky Card to be looking for was the 3♥ from a pack of 46 cards. Dennis drew the 2♥ missing the Lucky Card 3♥ (*ag shame*).

PROGRAMME

September 2013	Committee: James, Danckwerts, Schreiber, Smith, Williams, Lidgley
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5 September	Normal Meeting.
12 September	Meeting at Lavender Hills High School – speaker to be announced
19 September	Marina Jessop: Arizona, Ambassadorial student speaking on human trafficking.
24 September	Public Holiday – Heritage Day – Braai Day
26 September	Board meeting

October 2013	Committee: Barnard, Bird, Hovstad, Michalowsky, Wetmore, Jackson
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3 October	Business meeting
10 October	Francois van Eeden on the justice system
17 October	Elizabeth Daly – Public knowledge and stormwater quality in Cape Town: Implications for management.
18 October	Constantia Rotary Club – Wine Festival

DUTY ROSTER

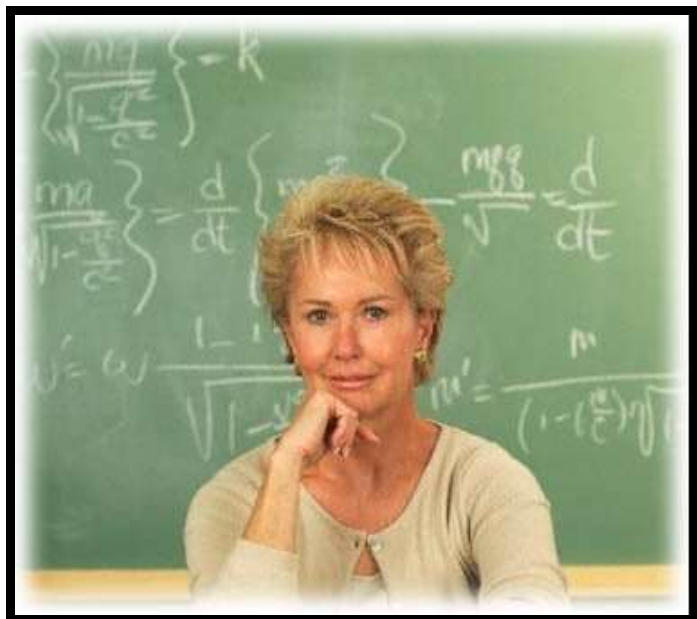
DUTY	5 Sept ICore	12 Sept LHSS	19 Sept	3 Oct
Sergeant	Murphy	Smith	Gowdy	Van Wyk
Attendance Officer	Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts
Wynpress Editorial	James	Klotz-Gleave	Knight	Lidgley
Minutes for Wynpress	Cleveland	Danckwerts	Wetmore	Cleveland
Compilation of Wynpress	Wetmore	Cleveland	Danckwerts	Wetmore
Door Duty	Wetmore	Gowdy	Are	Knight
Grace	Murphy	Jackson	Cleveland	Klotz-Gleave
Loyal Toast	Hovstad	Vivian	Jackson	James
International Toast	Gowdy	Hovstad	Murphy	Jackson
Speaker Introduction	N/A	Orsmond	TBA	TBA
Speaker Thanks	N/A	Bredenkamp	Gowdy	Hovstad

PRESIDENT'S QUOTES:

The President was feeling very musical on Thursday 22 August 2013 and sparing us a song she rather gave us the following quotes:

- 1) 'Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything.'
 - 2) Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and which cannot remain silent.'
 - 3) 'Music is what tells us that the human race is greater than we realize.'
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TAILPIECE



After being interviewed by the school administration, the prospective teacher said: 'Let me see if I've got this right.'

'You want me to go into that room with all those kids, correct their disruptive behaviour, observe them for signs of abuse, monitor their dress habits, censor their T-shirt messages, and instil in them a love for learning.'

'You want me to check their backpacks for weapons, wage war on drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, and raise their sense of self-esteem and personal pride.'

'You want me to teach them patriotism and good citizenship, sportsmanship and fair play, and how to register to vote, balance a cheque book, and apply for a job.'

'You want me to check their heads for lice, recognize signs of antisocial behaviour, and make sure that they all pass the final exams.'

'You also want me to provide them with an equal education regardless of their handicaps, and communicate regularly with their parents in English, Spanish or any other language, by letter, telephone, newsletter, and report card.'

'You want me to do all this with a piece of chalk, a blackboard, a bulletin board, a few books, a big smile, and a starting salary that qualifies me for food stamps.'

'You want me to do all this, and then you tell me..... **I CAN'T PRAY?**'
