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## **EDITORIAL**

By: Hugh Maunder

# LET'S PREPARE FOR AFRICA'S POPULATION SURGE NOW – OR FACE THE CONCEQUENCES

# Extracts from an article by Aryn Baker in Time magazine

According to the World Bank, sub-Saharan Africa's GDP growth rate of over 5% over the past 15 years – almost double the global average – is expected to continue well into the next decade. A growing Africa is good for the global economy: consulting firm A.T.Kearney predicts that by 2040 sub- Saharan Africa could be "the biggest, fastest, strongest and most attractive region for retail in the world".

BUT THE FRUITS of Africa's success, if not managed well, could jeopodise this great economic and political awakening, dragging the continent towards an alternate future, one of rising crime, war and envonmental degredation. Greater prosperity has meant that Africans are living longer, healthier lives. At the same time the birthrate remains high, at an average of 5.2 births per woman in Africa, compared with 1.6 in Europe and 2.1 in Asia. Africa's population is expected to double to 2.4 billion by 2050. By 2040 half the world's population under the age of 24 will be in Africa. That young population could be the engine that drives Africa out of developing world status for good. Or it could be its downfall, as young peple, denied education, opportunity and a share of the continent's wealth, resort to desperate measures for survival. This possibility is not lost on leaders who watched a smilar corrosive combination in the Middle East topple governments and ushering in chaos during the Arab Spring.

**AFRICA'S LOOMING EMPLOYMENT** crisis formed the subtext of a meeting in Cape Town, in early June, of the World Economic Forum. In his opening remarks, WEF founder Klous Schwab reminded delegates that 18 million jobs will have to be created every year just to accommodate Africa's current job seakers.

What is required, said many attendees, is a radical investment in Africa's young people, something on par with the current \$4 billion per annum Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. It would commit to improving the continent's poor education record by investing in teacher training and vocational schools, and raising teachers' salaries

The only way to defuse Africa's demographic time bomb is to invest in Africa's youth now, so that they can start building the businesses and developing the technolodgies that will provide opportunities for the coming boom generation. Africa's young people deserve the chance to live without the chaos and conflict that not long ago haunted the continent.

#### **MEETING OF 2 JULY 2015**

#### **Attendance**

Total Attendance 16/28 = 57%

#### **Visitors**

No Visitors

#### **Fellowship Announcements**

- 1. Members noted, with concern, that Are was in hospital and wished him a quick recovery.
- 2. Justin reported that there would be a literary committee meeting at Candice's house on 15/7.
- 3. John Viv's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, due on 11/7, was celebrated with fanfare and balloons
- 4. Ken was not present but he was wished good luck in remembering Bertie's birthday on 11/7.
- 5. Graham's birthday was due on 15<sup>th</sup> as was Pam's and Wenche's.
- 6. Hugh will be away until the end of September and he mentioned it in case members didn't notice.

#### **Slots**

Biffy told members that she soon expected to get publicity for the club when she handed over wheelchairs

**Alan** said that there would be increased contact with the Interact clubs. It was noted that the first Interact club formed by Rotary Wynberg, Plumstead, was struggling and it was important that a renewed effort should be made to find a solution.

**Justin** listed impending public relations activities, see below, and informed members that he was working on a Rotary Club of Wynberg brochure.

#### **Jackpot**

Don's name was drawn yet again but he was still not lucky. Ahhh shame Dennis was delighted when he won R15,00

#### President's quotes

It was obvious that our new President is averse to buying Port. He used an obscure quote from someone we have never heard of:

"A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him"

- David Brinkley

#### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

Business Meeting - No Speaker

#### **GOING FORWARD**

#### **Duty Roster**

	JULY			August	August
	16	23	30 (Social)	6 (Business)	13
Sergeant	Van Wyk	Barnard		Cleveland	Hovstad
Wynpress Editorial	Barnard	Bird		Danckwerts	Dietrich
Wynpress Minutes	Overbosch	Smith		Cleveland	Smith
Door Duty	Danckwerts	Dessington		Dietrich	Gowdy
Grace	Schreiber	Smith		Todd	Van Niekerk S
Loyal Toast	Jackson	James		Klotz-Gleave	Lidgley
International Toast	Hovstad	Howard		Jackson	James
Speaker Introduction	Bird	TBA		N/A	Danckwerts
Speaker Thanks	Smith	Todd		N/A	Van Eeden
Find Speakers				Bredenkamp Cleveland,Munday Howard,Van Eeden	

# WRC Calendar Jul / Aug / Sept / Oct

Thur Jul 16 Anneke (Annie) Eichstedt: Dissertation with Rape Crisis Centre, and the history which led to it.

Sat Jul 18 (AM) Mandela day:- at Grassy Park SPCA (Ruth) – Hands on project -

Donate animal food, clean kennels, walk dogs, etc.

Thur Jul 23 Johnny Hanley: Urban Agriculture, Permaculture, SEED

Thur Jul 30 Social: Christmas in July. Partners, potential Rotarians, etc welcome: - (Keela)

Sat Aug 1 Rotaract Conference (July 31 – Aug 2): Misverstand. (Alan)

Sat Aug 15 Interact Conference: SACS (Justin)

Sat Sep 12 Social / weekend visit to Renosterveld (Alan)

Thur Sep 17 Quiz Evening @ Tangos! – Please book your tables ASAP.(R100 per person) We need to book out

the whole place... (Justin)

Wed – Fri 7-9 Oct: Rotary Family Health Day.

# **Wynberg Rotary Club visit to Norway**

Din Veg.

Ingen har varda den vegen du skal gå ut i det ukjende ut i det blå

Dette er din veg berre du skal gå den og det er urå å snu

Og ikkje vardar du vegne du hell og vinden stryk ut ditt far i aude fjell.

Olav H Hauge (1908 - 1994): Norwegian poet

**Your Way** 

No-one has marked out the road you are to take out in the unknown out in the blue.

This is your road.
Only you
will take it. And there's no
turning back.

And you haven't marked your road either. And the wind smoothes out your tracks on desolate hills.

Translated from the Norwegian by Robin Fulton

The Rotary Club of Wynberg thanks our friends at

## **Rotary Club Karmøy**

for their tremendous hospitality, and sends good wishes to them and our friends at

Rotary Club Karmøy West and Rotary Club Kopervik.

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#### **TAILPIECE**

An infinite loop is a computer programming concept, describing a situation of cause and effect that continues forever,
one action causing another action that causes the first action etc.

These loops never happen in real life, unless...

A company CEO tells his secretary:

"Next week we're going to a convention abroad and spend some quality time together, please make all the required arrangements."

The secretary calls her husband:

"Next week the boss is taking me abroad for a week on business, please take care of yourself during this time."

The husband calls his lover:

"My wife is going abroad for a week, let's spend it together..."

The lover, a private school teacher, tells the children:

"Because of a personal problem, I will not be at school next week, so you'll be studying at home."

One of the kids went to his grandfather and said:

Grandpa, next week I don't have school, you promised me that if I had time off we'd go to the mountains together."

The grandfather, who was also the CEO, calls his secretary and tells her:

"My grandson asked me to spend the week with him, so we're not going abroad."

The secretary calls her husband:

"The boss cancelled, we'll be together, my love."

The husband calls his lover:

"We can't spend the week together, my wife is staying."

The lover tells the kids:

"My problem was solved, school is back on."

The kid goes to the grandfather:

"Sorry grandpa, school is back on, I won't be able to go."

The CEO calls his secretary:

"My grandson won't be able to spend next week with me, rebook the flight abroad"

The secretary calls her husband.....