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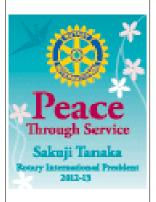
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# **NEW GENERATIONS MONTH**



### **EDITORIAL**

Submitted by Are Hovstad

# World's Most Expensive Painting Sold At An Auction for US\$120 Million.

What kind of painting can fetch 120 million dollars at an auction?

"The Scream" by Norwegian painter Edvard Much (1863 -1944) did just that in May 2012.

Edvard Munch came from a background of talent from his mother side, but morbid pietism bordering to psychoneurosis from his father. Munch would write: "From him I inherited the seeds of madness. The angels of fear, sorrow and death stood by my side since the day I was born". Against all odds, he enrolled in the Norwegian Royal School of Art, and was soon emerged within the bohemian groups of Oslo at that time. He experimented with impressionism, but found it too shallow, as he wanted to go deeper and explore situations brimming with emotional content and expressive energy. He was encouraged to "write his life" with his paintings, and confronted his inner demons in several pieces, which were not well received by critics, his family and the community. Only a few far sighted artists defended his paintings, with comments like" He sees only the essential, and that is all he paints." He worked hard in order to calculate his compositions to create tension and emotion, employed a variety of brushstrokes and made use of both post-impressionism, expressionism and symbolism. He was given a 2 year state scholarship and spent the years in Paris, where he was enthralled by the vast display of modern European art, and influenced by Gauguin, van Gogh and Toulouse-Lautrec and how they used colors to convey emotion. He eventually gained more fame and recognition and was included in the European art scene at that time. His men and women appeared more symbolic than realistic, as he writes:" No longer should interiors be painted, people reading and women knitting: there should be living people, breathing, suffering and loving". A critic wrote" With ruthless contempt for form, clarity, elegance, wholeness and realism, he paints with intuitive strength of talent the most subtle visions of the soul."

**The Scream** is Munch's most famous work and one of the most recognizable paintings in all art. It has been widely interpreted as representing the universal anxiety of modern man. Munch says that he with this painting, met his stated goal of "the study of the soul, that is to say the study of my own self". He explains how the painting came to be: "I was walking down the road with two friends when the sun set. Suddenly the sky turned as red as blood. I stopped and leaned against the fence, feeling unspeakably tired. Tongues of fire and blood stretched over the bluish black fjord. My friends went on walking, while I lagged behind, shivering with fear.

Then I heard the enormous, infinite scream of nature". He writes about this experience: "For several years I was almost mad. I was stretched to the limit, nature was screaming in my blood. After that I gave up hope ever to being able to love again".

It has been said that **The Scream** communicates a special meaning immediately to almost every viewer. And now it has been sold for 120 million US dollars.

### **MEETING OF 11 OCTOBER 2012**

### **Attendance**

Membership22Present15Make ups1Apologies5Attendance68%

Visitors: Francois van Eeden, Simisha Pather-Elias, Sarah Yousuf

Rotarian: Ras Naidoo

### Attendance to Biffy 082 468 7504 or <a href="mailto:aecon.e@mweb.co.za">aecon.e@mweb.co.za</a>.

The Grace and Loyal Toast were performed by Dennis and Are toasted the International Club of Rotary Club Of Willoughby, Ohio, USA.
Biffy gave the attendance.

### **Spots**

**String:** Called for volunteers to work at the Big Walk on 11 November.

**Biffy:** Sarah is in need of some furniture. Desk and desk lamp have been found. Still looking for a tall bed-side light.

**Steven:** The web site has progressed even further. Club banners have been loaded. Please provide the content to complete the projects pages. Events should be posted at any opportunity as had been done recently.

**Ken:** Book prizes and bursaries arrived a little late for some valedictory services. Please could we get these out a little sooner next time.

### PRESIDENT'S ITEMS

### Pres Mike welcomed all.

Next week's meeting will be with the Rotaractors at their club house. Please support these efforts to build bridges. We will have an admin slot otherwise no real duties. NO supper but we can take along our own booze.

29<sup>th</sup> Nov is a social. It has been suggested that we visit Anantoli's Turkish Restaurant.

13<sup>th</sup> Dec is a normal meeting with our Xmas presents etc.

8<sup>th</sup> Dec is our family day Xmas party and invitations will be sent to friends, past, prospective members etc. Spouses and families are welcome. This will be at the Palms.

Dennis provided a little fellowship in the form of some jokes.

Biffy introduced the speaker, Ras.

Ras spoke about his "twenties-years" in Durban where he was instrumental in developing the Durban Youth Council. His talk provoked a lot of discussion and Dennis was tickled pink by Ras' green shoes.

Bev thanked Ras on behalf of the club.

President's quotes: Today follow World Sight Day. Hellen Keller (deaf and blind) – 1880-1968 became world famous as a speaker and author. She is remembered as an advocate for people with disabilities and many other causes.

- 1. "The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision."
- 2. "It is hard to interest those who have everything in those who have nothing."
- 3. "Science may have found a cure for most evils, but it has found no remedy for the worst of them all the apathy of human beings."

### **DUTY ROSTER**

	17 October	1 November	8 November	15 November	29 November	6 December	8 December
Sergeant		Todd	Barnard	Knight			
Attendance Officer		Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts			
Wynpress Editorial		James	Klotz-Gleave	Michalowsky			
Minutes for Wynpress		Knight	Danckwerts	Knight			
Compilation of Wynpress	JOINT MEET-	Danckwerts	Knight	Danckwerts	SOCIAL: DETAILS	CHARITY NIGHT AT	FAMILY CHRSIT-
Door Duty	ING WITH	Gowdy	Hovstad	James	ТО	UNCLE PAULS &	MAS PARTY AT
Grace	ROTAR- ACT	Bird	Danckwerts	Gowdy	BE ADVISED	DG'S VISIT	THE PALMS
Loyal Toast	7.01	Danckwerts	Gowdy	Hovstad			
International Toast		James	Klotz-Gleave	Knight			
Speaker Introduction		N/A	N/A	TBA			
Speaker Thanks		N/A	N/A	Gowdy			

IF YOU CANNOT MAKE YOUR ROSTERED DATE, PLEASE SWAP WITH ANOTHER ROTARIAN AND INFORM THE SERGEANT WHO IS ON DUTY THAT DAY

### **JACKPOT**

After supper Sarah's name was drawn in the swindle but she could only find the Q♠. Ag shame. Bev received the R15 attendance prize.

### **PROGRAMME**

October 2012	Committee: James, Danckwerts, Schreiber, Smith, Williams
Wednesday 17	Combined meeting with Rotaract at Rotaract
Thursday 25	Board meeting
November 2012	Committee: Barnard, Bird, Hovstad, Michalowsky, Wetmore
Thursday 1	Bronwyn Maree of Birdlife, SA Albatross Task Force - Combined meeting with Rotaract at Palms
Thursday 1 Thursday 8	
•	meeting with Rotaract at Palms

Thursday 29	Social
December 2012	Committee: van Wyk, Gowdy, Overbosch, Todd
Thursday 6	Charity night at Uncle Paul's / DG's visit
Saturday 8	Christmas party at The Palms
Thursday 13	Normal meeting / Xmas meeting (gifts and no speaker) No further meetings in December
Sunday 23	Uncle Paul's ends
January 2012	
January 2013	Committee: Knight, Cleveland, Munday, Orsmond
Thursday 3	No meeting
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Thursday 3	No meeting
Thursday 3 Thursday 10	No meeting  Normal meeting. No speaker. Fun and games.  Dean Hand (PH): "Impact Investing and a new way to think about

**Uncle Paul's starts** 

### **TAILPIECE**

Wednesday 28

# On an Electrician's truck:

"Let us remove your shorts."

# In a Non-smoking Area:

"If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action."

# On a Maternity Room door:

"Push. Push. Push."

## At an Optometrist's Office:

"If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

# On a Taxidermist's window:

"We really know our stuff."

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