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NEW GENERATIONS MONTH

**ENGAGE
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**CHANGE
LIVES**

VOLUNTEERING

By Jackie James

In my experience volunteering has had a number of different interpretations. As Rotarians we understand it to be giving of our time, skills and resources without any return, other than of course the 'feel good' experience. While others, including some of the community groups I have worked with, understand it to mean that they give of their time but in return for money or other benefits. The volunteers who worked at the Cape Town Stadium during the Soccer World Cup in 2010 are a good example of this. They were referred to as volunteers but were provided with meal tokens and a stipend in return for their time.

According to Wikipedia online dictionary, volunteering is "generally considered an altruistic activity and is intended to promote good or improve human quality of life. In return, this activity can produce a feeling of self-worth and respect. There is no financial gain involved" [www.wikipedia.org]. The Oxford Dictionary confirms this definition of a volunteer as a "a person who freely offers to take part in an enterprise or undertake a task" or "a person who works for an organization without being paid" [<http://oxforddictionaries.com>]. The Business Dictionary however has a slightly different take on the matter of reimbursement, stating that "a volunteer may desire to work with or without pay" [www.businessdictionary.com].

The Violence Prevention through Urban Upgrading (VPUU) project in Khayelitsha that I have been working on over the past eight years developed a unique solution to this impasse. Those members of the community that volunteered for neighbourhood safety patrols earned points for each patrol. The points were then used as currency to buy training courses or to put them first in line for jobs on the VPUU construction sites.

Volunteering is however not just about the giving of time and transfer of useful knowledge, it also provides an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of issues that affect other people and other communities. This is specifically applicable to the many Rotary International volunteer initiatives.

Whichever way we choose to look at it, this debate emphasises that as Rotarians we not only raise significant funds to do good in our communities, but as volunteers we also contribute considerable amounts of time and resources. The Impact Tracker on the Rotary International Website reflects that between 1st July – 5th September 2013, the total Rotary volunteer hours amounts to 381,569 undertaken by 13,189 Rotarians [<https://map.rotary.org>]. Quite impressive!!

MEETING OF 5 SEPTEMBER

ATTENDANCE

Membership: 24
Present: 10
Make Ups: 7
Apologies: 14
Attendance: 70%

Guests: Sarah Yousuf, Justin Schonegevel.

Rotary Guest: William Beh from Puchong Centennial Club, Malaysia.

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

Pres. Karen opened the meeting by welcoming all present, and especially visiting Rotarian William, to whom she gave a Wynberg banner.

At the last Board meeting Gordon Knight was granted 6 months leave of absence, due to business matters.

The meeting of 3 October will be a Business meeting / Club Assembly.

SLOTS:

Biffy: Reminder of Constantia Wine Festival on 18 October. She has 5 tickets left.

Sarah leaves Cape Town finally on 11 October; but she will be exploring the Wild Coast and the Drakensberg before returning to USA (That should bring her back!)

Please, please help Rotaract at Uncle Paul's work parties on Saturdays (see under 'Programme' below). There are only 12 weeks left, and a whole new castle to be built.

Justin: Proposed Hout Bay Beach clean-up on Saturday 14 Sept. Details under 'Programme' below.

Please notify Justin directly if you plan to attend: email: schjus008@gmail.com. Cell: 083 6278599.

Are: It will have been a good year for the Grassy Park schools supported by the NLC: In November, 42 teachers from Oddemarka School will be visiting Cape Town to see where their funding is going. Coincidentally, Haugaland College will be sending their annual 2 teachers and 4 students at the same time. It will be the first time in the 14 years of Norwegian sponsorship that these two sponsors will both be here together!

Mervyn: Apologised to Alan Jackson for not including his name with last week's editorial.

SPEAKER:

As an unplanned guest speaker, our own Francois van Eeden gave a highly entertaining and informative description of his job as magistrate; and especially the interpretation of 'bail' and how it can be misused.

A magistrate may grant bail if he/she feels that the attendance of the accused at a subsequent trial is assured. This is very difficult to confirm, and there have been instances where bail has been refused by a local court; only to be over-ruled on appeal to the High Court, and the accused disappeared...

Francois explained that bail is actually a refundable deposit, which is forfeited after 14 days of non attendance in court.

Pres. Karen introduced, and after a lengthy question session Mervyn thanked the speaker.

JACKPOT:

With the Jackpot at R1100, William was given the opportunity to find the 3♥ from a pack of 45 cards. Alas, the 2♦ was chosen instead; and Karen won the R20 consolation.

PROGRAMME

September 2013	Committee: James, Danckwerts, Schreiber, Smith, Williams, Lidgley
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12 September	Meeting at Lavender Hills High School – 18.00 for 18.30. Meal = R70. BYO.
14 September	Participate with Rotaract – Beach clean up at Hout Bay: 09.30 to 12.30. Meet at Fish-on-the-Rocks car park from 09.00. Bring: gloves, closed shoes, hat, water, sun block. Black plastic bags provided. Possible lunch afterwards at one of the local fish restaurants.
18 september	Rotaract meeting: social / games
19September	Marina Jessop: Arizona, Ambassadorial student speaking on human trafficking.
20-24 September	RYLA
22 September	Uncle Paul's work party
24September	Public Holiday – Heritage Day – Braai Day
28 & 29 September	Uncle Paul's work party
30 September	Board meeting

October 2013	Committee: Barnard, Bird, Hovstad, Michalowsky, Wetmore, Jackson
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3 October	Business meeting – Club Assembly
5 October	Rotary & Rotaract Potjiekos competition
10 October	Normal meeting – speaker to be announced
12 October	Mini conference at Montague
12 & 13 October	Uncle Paul's work party
17October	Elizabeth Daly – Public knowledge and stormwater quality in Cape Town: Implications for management.
18 October	Constantia Rotary Club – Wine Festival
19 & 20 October	Uncle Paul's work party
26 & 27 October	Uncle Paul's work party
30 October	Halloween Rotaract Social
31 October	Rotary social (maybe these two should be a joint one)

Dates to book:

7 November	Meeting with representatives from both Haugaland and Oddemarka present
8 November	NLC bursary award evening with Haugaland and Oddemarka present

These two events are the first time in history that both sponsors will be present together. Let's make it special!

DUTY ROSTER

DUTY	12 Sept LHSS	19 Sept	3 Oct	10 Oct	17 Oct
Sergeant	Gowdy	Smith	Van Wyk	Schreiber	Barnard
Attendance Officer	Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts
Wynpress Editorial	James	Knight	Lidgley	Michalowsky	Munday
Minutes for Wynpress	Danckwerts	Wetmore	Cleveland	Danckwerts	Wetmore
Compilation of Wynpress	Cleveland	Danckwerts	Wetmore	Cleveland	Danckwerts
Door Duty	Gowdy	Are	TBA	TBA	Michalowsky
Grace	Jackson	Cleveland	Schonegevel	TBA	TBA
Loyal Toast	Vivian	Jackson	James	Schonegevel	TBA
International Toast	Hovstad	Murphy	Jackson	James	Schonegevel
Speaker Introduction	Orsmond	TBA	N/A	TBA	TBA
Speaker Thanks	Bredenkamp	Gowdy	N/A	TBA	Jackson

PRESIDENT'S (LEGAL) QUOTES:

"Politicians were mostly people who'd had too little morals and ethics to stay lawyers."

- George R R Martin

"Lovers are like lawyers: each manipulates the evidence as much as possible to outwit their opponent in the eyes of all. When the woman or the defence attorney gets the upper hand, the result is dismissal."

- Bauvard

"When cops are on the job, they love lawyers like lions love hyenas – only minus the mutual respect."

- Reed Farrel Coleman

TAILPIECE

HOW I MET MY WIFE (An exercise in unused English positives)

It had been a rough day, so when I walked into the party I was very chalcant, despite my efforts to appear grunted and consolate. I was furling my wieldy umbrella for the coat check when I saw her standing alone in a corner. She was a descript person, a woman in a state of total array. Her hair was kempt, her clothing shevelled, and she moved in a gainly way. I wanted desperately to meet her, but I knew I'd have to make bones about it, since I was travelling cognito. Beknownst to me, the hostess, whom I could see both hide and hair of, was very proper, so it would be skin off my nose if anything bad happened. And even though I had only swerving loyalty to her, my manners couldn't be peccable. Only toward and heard-of behaviour would do. Fortunately, the embarrassment that my maculate appearance might cause was evitable. There were two ways about it, but the chances that someone as flappable as I would be ept enough to become persona grata or sung hero were slim. I was, after all, something to sneeze at, someone you could easily hold a candle to, someone who usually aroused bridled passion. So I decided not to rush it. But then, all at once, for some apparent reason, she looked in my direction and smiled in a way that I could make heads or tails of. So, after a terminable delay, I acted with mitigated gall and made my way through the ruly crowd with strong givings. Nevertheless, since this was all new hat to me and I had no time to prepare a promptu speech, I was petuous. She responded well, and I was mayed that she considered me a savoury character who was up to some good. She told me who she was. "What a perfect nomer," I said, advertently. The conversation became more and more choate, and we spoke at length to much avail. But I was defatigable, so I had to leave at a godly hour. I asked if she wanted to come with me. To my delight, she was committal. We left the party together and have been together ever since. I have given her my love, and she has requited it.