

Editorial

An Open Letter to my future Grandson-in-Law

Dear brave and fortunate young man whom Lola Bird has chosen to marry,

Welcome to our family! You will find us a friendly and easy-going bunch. And congratulations on winning Lola, our second eldest granddaughter, as your future wife. May you and she have a long and beautiful marriage.

Since I am writing this in 2018, when Lola is just 7 years of age - and you about the same age, I assume - I'm afraid I don't yet know your name or your identity. In fact, it's quite possible that you and I may never actually meet, since I may even have died by the time you get to read this, but that doesn't change anything I have to say.

I'm guessing you must be quite a remarkable young guy to have caught Lola's attention. I'm sure you must've had to fight off a lot of male competition in the process. Ever since her very young years Lola has been tagged Miss Heartbreaker, the Future Miss America, Miss Movie Queen, and so on, so I imagine there must've been lots of other suitors vying for her affections. It's those amazing eyes of hers - and that charming smile - that captivate people. So, well done on catching this enchanting beauty as your bride. Your choice of Lola as your future wife tells me that you are an exceptionally perceptive and courageous young man. There can't be many guys brave enough to take on such a bold and free spirit. And I'm sure you won't make the cardinal error of ever trying to tame that strong and independent nature. You will by now have observed how determined Lola can be once she sets her mind to something. I guess you will find some subtle tactics for dealing with that as you go forward. Her grandfather Colin will tell you, if he's still around when you read this, that he once had to rugby-tackle her to stop her from speeding downhill on her plastic motorbike towards certain disaster, all other reasonable entreaties and interventions having failed. You may want to keep that manoeuvre in mind yourself for any future emergencies.

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June Rotary Theme
Rotary Fellowships Month

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6 for 6.30pm,
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ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

Lola's fascination with the world of showbiz and glitz seems to have been inborn. She has always had a taste for the theatrical, the magical in life. When she was three her letter to Father Christmas included a request for some Super Powers along with the other more standard items on her wishlist. Then later, at kindergarten, when the other kids were choosing swimming and gymnastics as their after-school activities, Lola chose drama; when her elder sister Amelia went shopping for sneakers, Lola was behind the counter busy trying on tap-dancing shoes; and while her friends were pestering their parents for Barbie dolls for their birthdays, Lola was hankering after a Gucci handbag she'd spotted at a local department store.

By now you will be aware of how many changes of outfits it takes to get Lola through an average day. Six or seven will usually do it, but there's no telling what the actual limit might be. She's been known to turn back half-way down the stairs on her way out of the house, with the rest of the family already waiting patiently outside in the car, to change her outfit just one more time, to something with maybe a touch more style and zing. And when she announces she's nearly ready, you will now know that means she just needs another twenty minutes to choose the perfect accessories to complete her new look.



Here is a photo of all the children in Lola's kindergarten class this year. Can you possibly pick out which one is Lola?

And when Lola took part in her first stage performance this year, in a play called 'The Really Scary Spider', can you guess who they cast in the rôle of the really scary Spider? She seems to be a natural at this acting thing. Never underestimate Lola's sharp intelligence. She may sometimes appear distracted as she tries yet again to

tackle a multitude of tasks all at once - generally losing interest half-way through and leaving most of them unfinished - but in the midst of the apparent confusion she'll suddenly confound you by flashing the immediate correct answer to a complex question posed by someone else across the room, not even intended for her attention. That mind is bright and busy, make no mistake.

I hope you're not expecting great things from Lola as a cook. I have sampled some of Lola's culinary creations - not always voluntarily, I must admit - and I would say that generally there is more enthusiasm than actual talent involved. You may wish to consider a course of cookery lessons for her next birthday present.

I'm sure I don't need to point out that you will need inexhaustible reserves of energy and empathy to keep up with Lola, as well as a tremendous and unflinching sense of humour. Above all, you will need to be a great listener. Inevitably you will become a resident test-audience for countless script-readings, pitches, voice-overs, and rehearsals, and will get to witness innumerable dramatic performances, of both the scripted and unscripted variety. You had better make it all look like fun.

So, good luck as you start out on your adventurous new life as Lola's husband. May it be a happy and blessed time for you both. Whatever else may befall you, there's one thing I can promise you: with Lola by your side you will never again be depressed or lonely or bored.

With much love,

Your Future Grandmother-in-law, Bev

Presidential Induction

7th June, 2018

Compiled by Lina Howard

Attendance

21 members present, and partners Sharon, Val, Barbara, Valda and Marlene. Honorary Rotarians John and Mary Vivian; June and Guy Orsmond

Rotarian Visitors

DG Casper and Wilma Kruger; outgoing AG Paul and Julia Stohrer, incoming AG JJ Jacobs; Pete Henshilwood, Di Hutchinson (Newlands); Ian Robertson (Claremont); Pres Marge Upfold, Fred Hammon, PE Susan O Hagan and Bev Freislich (Cape of Good Hope); PE Julie and Robert Kydd, Bev' O Connor, Anna-Louise Coetzee (Helderberg Sunrise); PE Brian Rickard and Paul Barkley (Franschhoek Valley); PE Gavin Schachat (Seapoint); Pres Geoff and Suzanne Von Klemperer, Bronwyn Maree and her mother Anne O'Connell (Constantia).

Rotaract Visitors

Pres Monique Ewen, Ryall Connor, Robin Law and Sandi Wares (Wynberg). Pres Chadwin Petersen and Mollen Danota (Steenberg).

Visitors

Biffy's family: Ian and Ann Glass, Stuart Thomas; Wenche Hovstad; Stacy and James Edwards; Steve Good.

From the chair of President Rob

1. Thanks to Candice for her work with Interact and Youth groups.
2. Congratulations to Wynberg Rotaract, who won a Rotary Citation 2018/19.
3. Honorary Memberships were awarded to Wenche Hovstad and Don Lidgley.
4. Awarded Paul Harris Fellowships to:

Justin, for his work in the Library project, Quiz Nights, Facebook and Social pages, Adventure into Citizenship and District Youth Workshop

Biffy, for her work in Rotary Family health day and all that it involves, parking at Uncle Paul's, Proms Bays, Exchange students and establishing links with overseas clubs.

And a sapphire pin to **Mike** for work done as Treasurer and Board member, marketing Corporate boxes at Last Night of the Proms, Uncle Pauls Party, dedication and loyalty to the Club.

Thereafter Pres. Rob handed over the Chain of Office to the 69th President of Wynberg Rotary Club, PE Biffy Danckwerts.

Address by Incoming President Biffy

Biffy had decided against setting targets for the Club and its members; but rather to embody the 2018/19 slogan "Be the Inspiration", and do the very best you can. She introduced her new Board (photo below), and thanked the organisers of the evening Keela, Monique, Rob, Mike and Casper.

Swindle

Monique only managed the 7 of clubs (shame!), and the attendance prize went to Paul Buckley.

Duty Roster	June			July
	14	21	28	5 (Business)
Sergeant	Cleveland	Overbosch	Schreiber	Todd
Wynpress Editorial	Bredenkamp	Cleveland	Danckwerts	Dietrich
Wynpress Minutes	Van Niekerk	Maunder	Howard	Bredenkamp
Door Duty	Schreiber	Munday	O'Dricoll	Murphy
Grace	Todd	Van Niekerk	Barnard	Bayes
Loyal Toast	Dietrich	Gowdy	Howard	Jackson
International Toast	Smith	Todd	Van Niekerk	Barnard
Speaker Intro and Thanks	Howard	Jackson	O'Driscoll	N/A
Entertainment for the month	Schonegevel R, Howard, Maunder, Overbosch, Bonga			Schreiber M, Smith, Todd, van Niekerk, Cleveland

Dates To Diarise

14 June	My job talk – Stephanie Thomas
16-23 June	Club visit to Rotary Club of Karmøy, Norway
21 June	TBA
28 June	Hugh's report back on his travels
12 July	Nikkie Botha on either Blikkiesdorp (animal welfare and community involvement) or Sea Shepherd – details to follow
19 July	TBA

Tailpiece: Snippets from the Induction evening

Sergeant, a rap for the outgoing President, if you please:

Yo, Lissun up y'all - I jus' wanna say - our main man Rob's been A-okay.

We listened to what he had to say - and drunk plenty red wine on the way.

Now that it's a time to go - we'll all miss our ex Zimbo!

But don't y'all be frettin', see - he's takin' over the number crunchin' from me!

If your effort was real high - the dude dished out a sweetie pie!!

This main man was a real sport - never shy on handin' out port.

Pres Rob when you look back on what you dun, we hope you had some real good FUN!!

Thank you Sergeant. And now the incoming President will need a rap too:

Yo Lissun up y'all - I jus' wanna say - we got somebody new today.

BIFF's the new chick on the block - watch her make Club Wynberg rock.

She's got some clout and holds some aces - plenty plans to take us places.

This mamma's no 69 - everythin' will go down jus' fine!!

This lass we hear is No 1 - servin's never been so FUN.

So when you're in the Wynberg 'hood - pop in and see why life is good!

Our Sergeant then dutifully read out two messages addressed to Pres. Rob:

Dear Outgoing President Rob,

We are of course very sad that your term of office has come to an end and you will consequently be terminating the lease on your presidential executive suite. Late Thursday nights at Mavericks will never be the same again. We are however pleased that Kit has decided to continue with his Seniors membership and has finally signed the lap dancing indemnity. Please also give our best to Dr Bruce, who has been a stranger of late - if he has any issues whatsoever he should appreciate that I will immediately take the problem in hand.

I would value an exit interview with you at your convenience to discuss how we can best improve our service offering.

All the very best,

Candy Cummins

Personal client relations executive: **Mavericks**

...and secondly from our long-suffering hosts at Palm House:

Dear Outgoing Pres Rob

Congratulations on your term as President. Never before have Port sales been so high and we accordingly attach our commission cheque, as agreed in the amount of R2,001.32

We also have pleasure in confirming your recent cash booking for your cousin Ms Candy Cummins for the evening of 6th July. She is indeed lucky to have a relative like you who has both offered to pay for her room and stay with her all night during her first trip to Cape Town. A true gentleman, and might we say an exemplary case of Service Above Self.

All the best,

Gilbert, Mustapha and the Palm House team.



Incoming Pres Biffy getting a lift from Pres Rob

WE RISE
BY LIFTING
OTHERS

Hunting Louise



Pres Biffy, PHF Justin, DG Casper, PP Mike



New Board members: Karen, Monique, Rob, Biffy, Keela, Candice