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ROTARY CLUB OF NEWLANDS “The club that appeals”



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WEEKLY UPDATE

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MEETINGS: Western Province Cricket Club Sports Centre, Ave De Mist, Rondebosch, every Monday at 18h00 for 18h15.

ATTENDANCE: Notice of apologies and guests and/or meal specifics to email Paul Spiller at dr.paul.spiller@gmail.com and copy to Bill Meyer at meypor@iafrica.com before 10h00 on Monday mornings please.

Comment

The Editor

World Bank and Rotary International celebrate International Women's Day

By Ryan Hyland, www.rotary.org

Three Rotary women were recognized on 7 March at the World Bank in Washington, D.C., USA, for their commitment to improving lives through innovative humanitarian projects.

The celebration, hosted by the World Bank Group Staff Association, and sponsored by Rotary International and investment firm Oppenheimer & Co., was one of many events held this week to mark International Women's Day, which is on 8 March each year. It highlighted the positive changes women make around the world. Annette Dixon, vice president of the World Bank for South Asia, moderated the event.

Speaking to more than 300 people, with thousands watching the livestream, Dr. Geetha Jayaram, Marie-Irène Richmond Ahoua, and Danielle De La Fuente, all Rotarians, told their stories and explained how their work helped poor women in India gain access to mental health care, vaccinate hundreds of thousands against polio in West Africa, and empower refugee children around the world.

"These are women of action who are making a huge contribution to the world," Dixon said. "They have given a lot of themselves to their initiatives and are playing a leadership role for many women."

Jayaram, a member of the Rotary Club of Howard West, Maryland, USA, and a recipient of the Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award, told the audience that her mental health clinic has provided nearly 2,000 poor people, mostly women, each year with comprehensive care in more than 200 villages in southern India.



Dr. Geetha Jayaram, a member of the Rotary Club of Howard West, Maryland, USA, addresses mental health issues for poor women in developing countries.

The Maanasi Clinic, founded by Jayaram, has been recognized by the World Health Organization for its effort to advance mental health care in developing countries. Its services also focus on vision, hearing, geriatric care, and vocational rehabilitation. The clinic, which operates in partnership with St. John's Medical College, has received funding from the Rotary Club of Columbia, Maryland, and Rotary grants. In total, the clinic has reached nearly six million households since it began in 2002.

"I never expected I would feel so fulfilled and gratified by these women who have so little, who will welcome you in their home and share their most intimate details of their lives," Jayaram said. "That is a large gift to me and our workers."

Jayaram is an associate professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Marie-Irène Richmond-Ahoua, a member of the Rotary Club of Abidjan-Bietry, Côte d'Ivoire, served as Rotary's PolioPlus chair for her country and now helps coordinate immunization activities in West Africa. She is an international communications consultant and worked as an outreach adviser for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire.



Marie-Irène Richmond-Ahoua, past PolioPlus chair for Côte d'Ivoire, talks about the strides Africa has made toward becoming polio free.

Richmond-Ahoua was recognized by Bill Gates at the 2017 Rotary Convention in Atlanta for her role in polio eradication and peace.

"Volunteering has brought me much happiness, and some tears. It has allowed me to see the world through different lenses," Richmond-Ahoua said. "We must believe in what we are doing regardless of the challenges we will face."

She adds: "And my greatest reward? The smile of a mother after her child has just been immunized."

Danielle De La Fuente, a member of the Rotary Club of Coronado Binacional, California, USA, is co-founder of The Amal Alliance. The nonprofit group empowers refugee children around the world through social development and educational programs. She worked at the National Defense University in Washington, D.C., where she fostered good relations across the Middle East South Asia.



Danielle De La Fuente, a member of the Rotary Club of Coronado Binacional, California, USA, shares how her organization, The Amal Alliance, empowers refugee children around the world.

De La Fuente told the audience that 65 million people have been forcibly displaced worldwide, 77 percent of whom are children. "Imagine a world where children have no dreams," De La Fuente said. "That is a reality I choose not to accept."

"The need for compassionate people has never been greater than now," she adds. "What is our future if our next generation is unable to dream? I call on all of you to take action and make a difference."

Steenberg High Interact



Steenberg High School Interact visited Zandvlei last week to learn about alien vegetation and its impact on the ecosystem. They helped remove some of the Port Jackson and picked up litter.

Previous Meetings

The minutes, if any, of last week's meeting did not arrive in time for publication.

However, we do have:

Minutes of the meeting on 5 March 2018

Scribe: Glynis Menné

Sergeant Lew requested President Graham to open the meeting.

Graham welcomed the speaker, Ian Domisse and his wife, his mother Sandy, and Glynis' daughter, Nicola.

The Four Way Test was said by Anthony, followed by the grace and toast, by Shân. There was no movement on the stirrer's spoon, and as Paul was away, the wine swindle will be held over until his return.

Glynis introduced the speaker, whose topic was "Eco bricks."

Ian introduced his talk by reminiscing about his late father, George, who was a founder member of Newlands Rotary. He felt his dad had spent the majority of his retirement years in the WPCC bowls room!

He told us that the Eco-brick system was started in Guatemala. Ian worked on the system in Port Elizabeth, where it took 32 months to get the first school built, due to much red tape before building began. It comprised of 6000 bricks, which were readily collected once the word got out. He then started a training programme for township dwellers to learn to do the building themselves, creating jobs for many unemployed people. This sparked a positive movement within the townships of PE.

He then spoke about the need for recycling and highlighted Rustenburg Junior School, who have zero waste, saving them thousands annually. Waste management must be linked to a fun element so that children are encouraged to participate. There is a school in Delft that is totally eco-friendly, having been built from old tyres. Ian and his wife are now encouraging wealthier areas to have vegetable gardens built from his Eco-bricks, as there was a growing discontent amongst the poorer communities that the buildings were only for the underprivileged. By colouring the bottle ends, it is possible to make an art form out of the bottles.

After many questions, Corinne thanked Ian, Lew told a few jokes, and supper was served.

Spots:

- Jenny H: There will be an important meeting for Refreshment station managers, Sector marshals and cut off teams at Kelvin on 6 March to discuss Route D.
- Rochelle: a form for marshals will be sent out during the week. Check changes in marshalling times and invoices will be issued next week.
- Paul Skipper, Chippy's brother, sadly passed away last week.
- Glynis asked, in Christine's absence, what was to happen to the meat in her freezer. Wybe also has two packs of meat. Paul is organizing the braai next Monday and will contact them.
- Geraldine announced that there would not be a water meeting tonight.
- Lew reported that the DG has decided that we couldn't help Springs, due to the health risk.

President Graham then sent his condolences to the Burnetts and announced there will be a minute silence for next week.

He wished Jenny H and the members good luck for the race on Sunday.

Graham thanked Ian for his interesting talk.

Discussion on next week's braai followed – it will possibly be at the pool, but Paul will advise.

After wishing Heidi, Phil and Garnet happy birthday, the bowl was sent around for happy rands and the meeting was closed at 19.55.



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FUTURE FIXTURES
Year Planner
Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

March 2018
Mon 19 Ordinary
Mon 26 Business

April 2018
Mon 2 No meeting (Easter Monday)
Mon 9 Partners – **Vocational Evening**
Mon 16 Ordinary
Mon 23 Business
Mon 30 Ordinary

May 2018
Mon 7 Ordinary

Happy Anniversary

18 March
Geoff & Liz Sessions

Happy Birthday

18 March
Willie Wijenberg

18 March
Philomena Burke

23 March
Jamie Hart

UMPIRES AND SCORERS

DATE	19 March	26 March	2 April	9 April
MEETING	Ordinary	Business	No Meeting	Awards Evening
SERGEANT	Shelley Finch	Jerome Eckles	Public Holiday Easter Monday	Jamie Hart
4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT	Ian Pursch	Vanessa Rousseau		Lew Botha
GRACE & TOAST	Geraldine Nicol	Richard House		Chris Beech
ATTENDANCE	Bill Holland	Pippa McLeod		Johan Beukman
FELLOWSHIP	Johnny Hurwitz	Nora See		Jana Forrester
MINUTES	Barbara Hurwitz	Pieter van Aswegen		Jenny Howard
COMMENT	Bill Meyer	Corinne Hudson		Anthony Galloway
THANK SPEAKER	Andrew Peile			
INTRO SPEAKER	Terry Lancaster			

Invited GUEST SPEAKERS

19 Mar Dr Kirsty Garden – *The Water Crisis*
 16 Apr TBC
 30 Apr Eion Brown – *Amateur apiarist*

If you cannot do your job on the day, please find someone who can do it instead of you, then contact the Sergeant on the day to update the roster. Please don't leave this until the Monday afternoon – let the Sergeant know in advance if you have not been able to arrange a swap. If you are going to be away for particular future meetings let Peter Ennis know.

HOW THE WORLD WILL END



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