

Issue Number 36 A Rotary District 9500 weekly publication

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Preamble

Please find attached "The ROTIAC" & its attachments for this week. The following information has been sent to all Rotarians.

This publication and past district dispatches are available on the District 9500 website at www.rotary9500.org

All items for The ROTIAC to be sent to the District Secretary by 4.00 pm Thursdays either by email secretary16-17@rotary9500.org (preferred) or post Rotary D9500 PO Box 6669, Adelaide Halifax St PO SA 5000 (AND allow time for delivery)

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<u>Diary Dates – Water and Sanitation, Month – March 2017</u>

Thursday 23 - 26 March 2017 - Conference - Geelong - ONE WEEK TO GO Friday 31 March 2017 - Presidential Citations form to lodged with DG

Saturday 8 April 2017 - Leading Rotary Now - Alice Springs

Saturday 29 April 2017 – Leading Rotary Now – Adelaide.

Saturday 6 May 2017 - Leading Rotary Now - Pt Augusta

Saturday 20 May 2017 - Membership & Roundtable Summit - St Michael's College



WE ARE JUST ONE WEEK FROM THE CONFERENCE – THE CONFERENCE TEAM HAS PUT TOGETHER A GREAT WEEK END – BE THERE TO ENJOY IT.

There is still time to Register for the Conference in Geelong

Just Click here!

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to drive carefully and rest when you need to, so everyone arrives safely at your destination in Geelong – see you there. *John Pohl.*

Rotary and Scout Jamboree - New Update



Rotary District 9500 is taking this project as a serious large project and currently establishing a separate District committee to co-ordinate the activities. District Secretary Jeff Cluse has been appointed by DG John Pohl to head up the committee. This will take a little while to get off the ground, but all enquiries are to be to DS Jeff Cluse. In consultation with Scout Australia, please disregard past request to contact Roger Burzacott and only contact Dist Secretary Jeff Cluse – contact details below

ShelterBox Australia

Tropical Cyclone Enawo

A ShelterBox Response Team is deploying to Madagascar after Tropical Cyclone Enawo made landfall on Tuesday, with winds up to 170 mph and heavy rains. Five people have died and over 10,000 people have been left homeless and this number is expected to climb. Cyclone Enawo, a Category 4 storm, is the strongest cyclone to hit Madagascar in 13 years.

The gale force winds and heavy rain are expected to cause flash flooding and mudslides throughout the rest of the week. As most of Madagascar's roads are dirt and are being washed out, reaching the hardest hit areas of the northeast will be difficult.

According to the Malagasy Red Cross Society, an estimated 720,000 people have been affected by this intense tropical cyclone. Meteo Madagascar has issued a Red Alert for the northeast coastal areas of Madagascar, advising residents to abandon houses on water edges, store drinking water and seek safe shelter as the dangerous weather continues.

Communications in many areas are severed as a result of the storm so the full extent of damage is not yet known. ShelterBox has available its extensive supply of shelter and emergency aid that can be mobilized as soon as response teams have assessed what is most needed.

Please donate today to provide displaced families emergency shelter.

D9500 Geelong Conference

We are looking for help to staff the Shelterbox display at the D9500 Geelong Conference, March 24-26. If you are attending and could help it would be greatly appreciated. If you can help please get back to me by email greg.love@adam.com or call, 041 240 5176. I would also be very happy to send you ShelterBox activities updates.

Thank you in advance **Greg Love PHF, ASM**Director ShelterBox Australia and Chair SBA D9500/9520 Committee:
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GAWLER & DISTRICT SPECIAL EVENTS &ROTARY CLUB OF GAWLER INC PRESENT

CARAVAN, CAMPING, OUTDOOR & "Trash & Treasure" SWAP MEET

Sun 7 May 2017 – Gawler Sports & Community Centre Princes Park –, Sellers @ 7.00am, Buyers @ 8.00am

Sellers \$20.00 per outdoor site, undercover sites \$30 -\$40, all incl. 1 adult, Buyers \$5.00 (over 15 years)

Sellers register on and all enquiries to – gawlercaravanswapmeet@adam.com.au
or Phone 0418401921

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RC Adelaide West - Film Night



A great night out for the Whole Family (including the grown-ups!)

From 6pm on Friday 31 March Rotary Adelaide West will hold a FUN screening of the The LEGO Batman Movie to raise money to support the Club's work with Adelaide's HOMELESS community. The Regal Theatre – 275 Kensington Road - Nibbles from 6pm. Movie from 7pm. Adults - \$20 • Children 5 to 15 - \$12 • Children 0 to 4 – Free Book Tickets Oline: http://e.mybookingmanager.com/Rotary-LEGO-Batman-Movie-31-Mar-2017

"There are big changes brewing in Gotham City, but if Batman (Will Arnett) wants to save the city from the Joker's (Zach Galifianakis) hostile takeover, he may have to drop the lone vigilante thing, try to work with others and maybe, just maybe, learn to lighten up. Maybe his superhero sidekick Robin (Michael Cera) and loyal butler Alfred (Ralph Fiennes) can show him a thing or two."

Bring your Friends: Family: Colleagues and help us fill The Regal. Thank You.

More Info:- http://rotaryadelaidewest.org/events/the-lego-batman-movie-screening-fundraiser

ROTARIAN ACTION GROUP AGAINST SLAVERY

We're THRILLED to share this moving piece CNN did on our Schools 4 Freedom program in India. They dedicated 9 minutes to the work you've helped make possible and it's airing internationally every hour!

You can see it here http://voices4freedom.org/what-were-doing/schools4freedom/ or on Facebook here https://www.facebook.com/voices4freedom/

Thanks to your support and the work of our frontline partner MSEMVS, in just 3.5 years:1,719 people have been freed or are on their way to freedom from slavery.715 children are being educated.15 transitional schools have been built.

And it costs less than \$12,000 a year to run the schools – at the end of three years everyone in the village is free. Forever.

Freedom may be priceless, but the schools that help people in slavery to freedom are cheap J

SWAGS FOR HOMELESS

Do Unto Others program - A City Salvos Program

With winter fast approaching this is a great program to assist.

For the last 4 years during the winter months, the Do Unto Others program in the heart of the city has offered a safe warm place for homeless to sleep each Saturday night, where volunteers give up a night of their sleep to supervise the room and wake sleepers to a cooked breakfast in the morning.

Last winter saw the numbers of rough sleepers looking for a dry and warm night's sleep triple in our overnight room as the temperatures spiralled downward and the rain and wind made it impossible to find a dry place to sleep.

On other nights, they look for doorways, car parks or sleep pressed against the walls on cold cement footpaths seeking shelter from the wind and rain under the verandas of city businesses.

The combination of overflowing boarding houses and emergency accommodation, along with folk that are unable to stay in independent housing due to mental illness sees a number of men, women and youths sleeping rough in the city of Adelaide. We look to support them however possible, through meals, clothing, blankets and swags, along with connection and unconditional love.

Every Wednesday and Saturday nights during our meal service, we get requests for swags and blankets, but due to the long cold winter we had last year, we are completely out and in desperate need for more. To send someone away in to the night with nothing is a heartbreaking experience. Knowing their stories, walking alongside them as they have their good days and their bad, is the most incredible privileged and we know that there is genuine need within the community.

This year we are asking for assistance as we raise funds to purchase more swags, are you able to help?





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Comment of the week;

A guy bought a new fridge for his house.

To get rid of his old fridge (still working), he put it in his front yard and hung a Sign on it saying: 'Free to good home. You want it, you take it.'

For three days the fridge sat there without anyone looking twice.

He eventually decided that people were too mistrustful of this deal.

So he changed the sign to read: 'Fridge for sale \$50.'

The next day someone stole it!

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