

EGOLI NEWS

DISTRICT 9400 - MAY 2022

We meet every
Tuesday @ 18h45 (GMT+2)
South Africa

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- 1st Tuesday- International Meeting "Expand Your Network"
- 2nd Tuesday- Rotarian shares his/her story or teaches us a skill
- 3rd Tuesday- Projects Meeting or Training
- 4th Tuesday- External Speaker Evening
- 5th Tuesday- Fellowship: Games or Quiz evening

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

16 May Mosharraf Hoosan

INCOMING LEADERSHIP 1 JULY 2022

President- Nick Wood
Secretary/Treasurer- Grace Van Zyl
Foundation Officer- Octavia Sangweni
Public Image - Maude Mmchacha
Membership- Gustave Ololo
Youth - Leon Vercueil
International Service- Thembi Madalane
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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

ROTARY YEAR 2021/22

A message from our President, Angela Long



As we all brace for yet another wave of Covid 19, our Rotaractors have been hard at work on their new project in a remote village south of the Wild Coast. Watch this space for further developments as this may turn out to be the project of the year. Our club enjoyed an evening in April with Dr Sarah Roffe, who explained why we have had such a wet summer and what prompted the recent floods in KwaZulu Natal. Our club donated R5000 to the Relief Fund for victims of this devastating flood. Our Shack Fire Project was launched in Alexandra on the 30th April and we hope that this is just the beginning, as we need to reach many more community members in order to make a difference when it comes to fire prevention in the informal settlements in our country.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

When you can't control what's happening, try to challenge yourself to control the way you respond to what is happening.



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

first

Is it the **TRUTH**?

second

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

fourth

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?





Projects & More

A VISIT FROM THE EASTER BUNNY



This year we revived a long standing tradition of supplying Easter eggs to Hope School. Hope School was founded in 1929 and has since provided quality education, therapy and accommodation to physically disabled

PP David Crossley & PE Nick Wood

learners and learners with barriers to learning. We also provided Easter eggs to our adopted ECD center, Thuso Thuso in Muldersdrift.



A TOY FOR JOY



A project traditionally supported over Christmas was moved to Easter this year. Toys and clothing made its way to Oasis Ministries in Mookgophong, formerly Naboomspruit. Our InterAct

club from St Stithians Boys College assisted in the collection of toys over the December period. Joy was brought to the children of this impoverished rural settlement over Easter time when they also celebrated the birthday of Oasis Ministries.

FIRESHACK PROJECT



Fire is a serious hazard in shack settlements in South Africa. It has been argued that "On average over the last five years there are ten shack fires a day with someone dying in a shack fire every other day."



As we head into Winter shack fires will increase in shack settlements as people try to stay warm. The Rotary Club of Johannesburg formed a partnership with the Linda Twala Foundation, BurnShieldZA and the Alex Fire Department to address this problem in the

township of Alexandra. The club received a District Grant for this pilot project, and due to COVID there were delays in implementation. On the 30th of April we launched the pilot program in Alexandra. The Fire Department provided education on how to prevent fires as well as what to do when there is a fire. Education was also provided on how to treat burn wounds and Burnsheid hydrogel sprays were distributed in the community.



PE Nick Wood

PROMOTING PEACE, GOODWILL & INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING



IPP Grace Van Zyl & HE Luibov Abraviva

On the 6th of April the Rotary Club of Johannesburg co-hosted an event with the Rotary Club of Northcliff where we had the Ukrainian Ambassador HE Ms Luibov Abraviva address us on her views of the Russian invasion of the Ukraine. As we had limited space the event was sold out and we decided to go Hybrid. The Ambassador from Kazakhstan was also in attendance to show his support for the Ukraine. We managed to raise R4 350 that has been donated to the Rotary International's Disaster Fund for the Ukraine. In PDG Francis Callard's words: "Madam Ambassador, you have given us a story powerful enough to change the world" To view the recording of the event you can click [HERE](#)

OUR ROTARACT CLUB TAKE ON A DEEP IMPACT PROJECT

Rotaract president Renaldy Beyeme and other volunteers travelled to the Eastern cape on the 28th of April to a little Village called Nyavini in the Eastern Cape, not too far from the Kwazulu Natal border.

This project is a collaboration between Xpose and the Rotaract Club of Johannesburg. Many of the children in this village do not go to school for the following reasons:

Long distances to go to school (approximately 2 hours walk to get to school and 2 other hours to come back); Raining conditions that often discourage kids to walk 2 hours to go to school; Young girls/women missing classes due to period pain and hygiene; Women getting pregnant sometimes at a young age and therefore are unable to continue studying.

The aim of the trip was twofold:

- 1.To hand out sanitary pads and school stationery including raincoats to 100 students from grade 9 to grade 11.
- 2.To accompany local mentors in encouraging kids to continue going to school as there is a high rate of dropout in that region

The Rotaractors are investigating more sustainable solutions with deep impact on the community. To learn more about this community watch this [VIDEO](#)





Love is definitely in the air at the Rotary Club of Johannesburg! President Elect for 2022/23 Jean Mboulé and Rotarian Tsholo Bonnecwe had their Labola celebration in April.



What is Labola?

Lobola is a word used in Silozi, Zulu, Xhosa, Swazi, and northern and southern Ndebele to either mean bride price or bridewealth. It has to do with the property or cash that a prospective husband gives the head of a potential wife's family when considering a customary marriage. The main reason for which lobola is practised is hinged on building relationships between the families of the prospective bride and groom since marriage is beyond a union between two individuals. And the good thing about it all is that the relationship is considered to be a life-long one.

What's happening in our District: D9400

GET READY FOR DISCON

16-19 June, 2022

The D9400 District Conference is fast approaching. Join us as we recognize each other's efforts in service and leadership.

THEME

Diversity | Equity | Inclusion

[REGISTER HERE](#)

PROGRAMME FOR THE D9400 CONFERENCE

THURSDAY 16TH MEET & GREET

FRIDAY 17TH DISCON & THEME EVENT: *Out of Africa*

SATURDAY 18TH DISCON & GALA BANQUET

TIME TO CELEBRATE ROTARY HEROES!

Exciting lineup of speakers at DISCON
Be sure to book your spot!

DR LEYMAH GBOWEE
Nobel Prize Winner 2011, Peace Activist
16 - 19 JUNE 2022
Rotary District 9400

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Doing Good In The World

CLUB CHALLENGE

Download your pledge form [HERE](#)



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- 7 May: Board Meeting
- 10 May: Know Your Rotarian - Zoom
- 17 May: Projects Meeting - Zoom
- 24 May: Speaker - Lorraine Jenks : Global TEDx Speaker - Climate Reality Leader
- 4-8 June: Rotary Convention Houston

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