



in District 9320

Monthly Newsletter
 July 2006

A New ROTARY Year

From the Desk of the DG: **?**

Welcome to the 2006-2007 version of the District Governor's Newsletter.

Congratulations to all new club presidents as you start your year of office. To lead one's club as president is truly a highlight in any Rotarian's life.

Our RI President Bill Boyd has given us a wonderful theme for this year.

To all clubs, presidents, secretaries and board members, and to each and every Rotarian, my very best wishes to you as you

Lead the Way

in your community.

I look forward to meeting you all when Wes and I visit your clubs during the course of the year.

Yours in Rotary



DG Ethne and Wes meet RI President Bill Boyd and Lorna at the International Assembly in San Diego in February 2006

About ROTARY

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world.

Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 32,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

LITERACY Month

Previously, July was Literacy Month.

From this year, this changes, with March becoming Literacy Month. There is no specific theme for July.

September 08 is **International Literacy Day**.

'Rotary vision: To harness the great power of friendship to help do the world's work.'

(1910-12 Paul P. Harris (Founder of Rotary) (law), Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois, USA.)

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Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Rotary is so much more than the sum of its parts. Every program of Rotary — the club and district activities, the scholarships and exchanges, and the vast and varied humanitarian projects — serves a different purpose. No two clubs anywhere are exactly alike, and it is this diversity that is our strength.

Together, we show the world that a better future is possible anywhere and everywhere and that generosity of spirit, tolerance for differences, and high moral values are not obstacles to success but the path to success.

In a world full of ethical challenges, where cooperation among countries and tolerance of differences is so vital to peace, Rotary provides a much-needed example of solid integrity, international cooperation, and the spirit of volunteerism.

My theme for the 2006-07 Rotary year, *Lead the Way*, reflects my belief in the power of Rotarians to change the world. Together, 1.2 million Rotarians will *Lead the Way* to a brighter future through fellowship and service.

Today's world needs heroes, not celebrities. All of us in Rotary are ordinary people with busy lives, striving to do our best. Quietly, in thousands of different ways, we are working to make the world a better, healthier, and safer place.

I believe strongly that we, as Rotarians, must be motivated in our choice of service much more by what is practical and necessary than by what tugs at our emotions. We must identify real needs and work flexibly and cooperatively. Rotary service cannot be a one-way street; every project must be a partnership with those we wish to help. Throughout the world, there are so many tremendous needs. As Rotarians, it is easy to want to meet them all, but as practical people, we know that we must apply our efforts where they can do the most good. For this reason, I have chosen water management, literacy, health and hunger, and the family of Rotary as my emphases for 2006-07.

Outside of Rotary, there is far too little awareness of the shortage of clean, safe water in the developing world. If a natural disaster wiped out 6,000 children under the age of five in one day, it would be on the front page of every newspaper. And yet, 6,000

children do die, every single day, from water-borne illnesses. This is a situation that can be addressed very effectively through small-scale projects on a local level and has been addressed through successful Rotary projects for many years. I encourage clubs and districts throughout the Rotary world to expand on this work and focus on bringing clean water wherever it is needed, one community at a time.

As a member of a family of readers, literacy has always been very important to me, and its value to society can hardly be overestimated. Literacy is a prerequisite for democracy, stability, and prosperity in a nation; it has the potential to halt the cycle of poverty and bring a better life to the next generation. Literacy has been a Rotary priority for many RI presidents and must remain high on our agenda.

Health and hunger concerns encompass much of the work that Rotary clubs do at the local level. These projects are at the very core of Rotary service and brought us to the great work of PolioPlus. We must continue to work for polio eradication until it is achieved, and pursue the many and varied health and hunger projects that Rotary is known for worldwide.

In 2006-07, I would like to return to the family of Rotary and the emphasis on caring equally for everyone in the Rotary family. Youth programs, such as Youth Exchange, Interact, and Rotaract, are vital to ensuring the health of Rotary's future. They also further Rotary's work by instilling a sense of integrity, tolerance, and unselfishness in the next generation. And caring for Rotarian families and spouses can only strengthen Rotary.

In 2006-07, I will ask Rotarians everywhere to focus on the possibilities that Rotary brings to each individual and that each individual brings to Rotary.

Together, we will *Lead the Way* to even greater successes. And together, we will continue to identify real needs, work with communities and institutions, and see that those needs are addressed in a practical, sustainable way, not through idealism and wishful thinking but through steady effort and sound knowledge.

As Rotarians, we know that it is not enough to dream about a better world. A better world will only come through careful planning, honest cooperation, and hard work.

As Rotarians, we will not just wait for it to happen. Together, we will *Lead the Way*.

W.B. (Bill) Boyd

President, Rotary International, 2006-07

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AND THE SPIRIT OF VOLUNTEERISM.**

ATTENDANCE

- Attendance figures for all clubs, from July 2005 to June 2006, follow:
- Entries in red are shown for months where a club's attendance report was not received.
- The Attendance Officer for this year is Phil Hart phart@metcash.co.za.
- Club Attendance Officers are urged to send in their attendance reports promptly each month.

Club	JUL		AUG		SEP		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB		MAR		APR		MAY			
	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem	%	Mem		
Algoa Bay	78.7	64	80.7	64	74.2	64	76.5	68	84	69	82	69	81	69	78	69	79	69	68	66	70	63	76	
Aliwal North	94.6	14		14		14		14	87	16		16		16		16	75	16	80	16	81	16	89	
Arcadia	77.1	41	75.2	41	67.6	41	77.5	41	75	41		41		41	92	40	84	40		40	90	40		
Beacon Bay	82	27	75	27	83.7	27		26	83	26	51	26	69	26		26	72	28	62	28		28	71	
Bethlehem	64	24	84	25		25		23	78	23	72	22	81	22		22	71	22	71	22	77	22	71	
Bloemfontein	82.2	17	78.7	17	81	14	82	17	87	17	68	16	75	22	80	16	88	16	90	14	78	15	72	
Bonza Bay	83	23	89.3	23	85.9	23		23	95	24	93	24	83	23	86	23	89	23	93	23	91	22	83	
Bothaville	100	4	93.8	4	94.3	4	100	5	92	6	92	6	75	6	75	6	90	6	85	6	68	6	75	
Colesberg	74.1	9	91.6	9		9		9		9		9		9	89	9		9		9		9		
Cradock	85	9	84	9	95	9	100	10	78	10	70	10	85	10	75	11	88	10	87	10	88	10	82	
De Aar	100	6	100	6	80	5	90	5	90	5	93	7	88	10	5	100	10	83	10		10	83	10	87
East London	77.4	53	86.8	53	81.5	53	77.7	54	80	54	79	53	72	54	81	53	74	55	70	55	83	55	80	
Ficksburg	64.5	15	75.9	16	69.7	18	80.3	17	77	17	77	16	72	16		16	81	16	78	18		18	71	
Flamingo	97.2	29	89.6	29	87.8	29	89.7	29	93	28	74	28	85	30	86	28	85	28	77	29	82	29	82	
Gately	73	40	78	39	75	39	73	39	79	39	68	39		39	72	40	71	40	71	40	72	41		
Goldfields	96	25	93.6	25		25		25	92	25	91	25	91	26		26	93	26	92	26		26	98	
Sunset																								
Gonubie	76.3	27	66.2	27	79.3	28	67.9	28	68	28	60	28		28		28	78	29	69	29		29	74	
Graaff-Reinet	79	7	85	7	97	7		7	97	7	100	7		7	90	7	93	7	94	6	75	6	96	
Grahamstown	78.2	35	73.6	35		35		35	91	35	65	35	73	35	76	37	65	38	70	39	79	39	77	
Grahamstown Sunset	66.6	38	68.8	38	70.5	38	70.4	38	74	38	53	38	58	38	72	38	61	38	68	38	69	38		
Harrismith	67.9	10	90.6	8	94	10	89.6	10	80	14	59	14	82	14	95	14	70	14	66	14	68	14		
Imperani	77.4	21	73.8	21	76.2	21	75	21	71	23	72	23	78	23	86	22	73	20	72	20	65	20		
Jeffreys Bay	58	16	65	16	72	16	89	17	81	17	82	17	90	16	91	16	81	16	84	17	84	17	84	
Kimberley	63.9	20	81.1	20	78.5	20	75.4	18	64	18	65	17	77	17	81	17	71	17		17	65	18	64	
Kimberley South	69.5	29	62.9	29	79.9	30	81.7	30	70	30	80	30	70	30	77	30	74	30	64	31	78	30	75	
King William's Town	71.7	23	75	22	77.3	22	79.5	22	75	22	76	22	74	22		22	73	22	56	22	86	23	67	
Klerksdorp	77	42	67.6	41	80.4	41	87	42	83	42	85	42	81	42	81	42	79	44	74	42	83	44		
Kroonstad	100	16	90.9	16	97.7	16		16	95	15	93	14		14	100	15	95	19	91	19	87	19	93	
Ladybrand	84.2	19	86.1	18	86.7	18	82.1	18	80	19	72	18	83	19	85	19	84	20	75	20	73	18	88	
Lukhanji	55	29	58	28	76.6	23	81.6	22	71	23	57	23	63	24		24	72	25	71	24	71	24		
Sunset																								
Maloti	86	22	75	24	82.1	24	90.5	24	73	27	72	26	77	26	84	27	81	26	75	26	73	26		
Maseru	48	13	47.8	13	63.5	13		13	54	13		13		13	67	12	60	18	58	18		18		
Odendaalsrus	61	13		13		13		13	60	14		14		14		12		12		12		12		
Orkney	53	15	78	15	57	15	70	15	59	15	59	15	62	15	63	14	67	14	56	15	64	15	74	
Parys	58.3	6	79.2	6	62.5	6	66.1	6	63	6	67	6	75	6		6	6	6	6	6	75	6		
Port Alfred	72.5	30	76.5	29	68.9	29	78.4	29	85	30	63	30	73	30	83	30	78	30		30	88	31	90	
Port Elizabeth	66.3	45	69.8	43	67.4	46	61	51	64	51	59	51	51	50		50	73	44	64	45	70	46		
PE East	77	12	80	16	69	16	66	16	70	18	60	18	76	18	72	18	80	18	66	18	62	18		
PE South	80.5	21	70	21	59	20	53.8	19	53	19	50	19	60	18	60	18	79	15	81	15	73	15	77	
PE Sunrise	63.9	18	62.5	18		18		18	65	18	43	17	75	16		16	16	16		16	16	16		
PE West	84.5	31	80	31	77.5	32	76.1	34	74	34	88	34	76	34	80	34	73	36		36	79	35	77	
Potchefstroom	72	26	75	26	77	26		26	70	24		24		24	93	24	90	25		25		25		
Potch Mooi	85.9	16	88.2	17	95.6	17	73.5	17	92	17	96	18	90	17	87	17	94	18	94	18	99	18	91	
Queens-town	81.5	34		34		34	60.6	33	73	35	44	33	55	33	73	35	73	35	63	36	74	34	62	
Raadzaal	73.5	15	79.5	15	81	14	82	14	92	14	85	14	84	14		14	84	14		14	90	13	92	
Stutterheim	98.6	13		13		13		13		13		13		13	92	13	93	13	94	13		13	89	
Uitenhage	70.4	17	77.3	16	67.2	16	56.7	15	72	14	77	13		13		13	79	13	64	13		13		
Uitenhage South	86	27	81.2	29	83.3	29	83	29	89	28	75	28	88	28	81	28	83	28		28		28		
Viljoenkroon	81	28	81.8	28	74.5	28	81.8	28	82	28	81	28	74	26	81	27		27		27		27		
Vryburg	65	10	62	10		10		10	93	10	70	10	78	10		10	10	10		10		10		
Welkom	90	10	90	10	95	10	90	10	95	10	95	10	95	10	98	10	95	10		10		10	84	
Total		1154		1154		1153		1162		1178		1169		1171		1170		1181		1181		1178		1

(Information supplied by IPDG John McDonald and former Attendance Officer Richard Hargreave)

Ann's and Inner Wheel Clubs

Lead the Way in D9320 for 2006-2007

For 2006 – 2007, PDG Ann's Sheila McDonald, Cathy Willis, Melodene Stonestreet and Lynn Grenfell will *Lead the Way* for the Ann's and Inner Wheel Clubs, with Sheila the coordinator for clubs in the North, Melodene for the Central Area, Cathy for the South (PE area) and Lynn for the South (EL area). Details follow:

Sheila McDonald

Contact Nos: 018 293 3903(H) 083 565 7331(C)

Ann's Clubs:

Klerksdorp. Orkney
Parys Potchefstroom
Potchefstroom Mooi Viljoenskroon

Inner Wheel Clubs:

Vryburg.

Cathy Willis:

Contact Nos: 041 583 2482(H) 083 564 4853(C)

Ann's Clubs

Algoa Bay Grahamstown Port Elizabeth
Port Elizabeth East Grahamstown Sunset Port Elizabeth West
Jeffreys Bay Port Elizabeth South Uitenhage South

Inner Wheel Clubs

Port Elizabeth.

Melodene Stonestreet

Contact Nos: 057 352 6025(H) 083 308 3943(C)

Ann's Clubs:

Bothaville Flamingo.
Goldfields Sunset Harrismith.
Kimberley South Kroonstad
Ladybrand Odendaalsrus
Raadzaal

Inner Wheel Clubs:

Bloemfontein.

Lynn Grenfell

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Ann's Clubs:

Arcadia Beacon Bay Bonza Bay
East London Gately King William's Town
Port Alfred Queenstown Stutterheim

ANNS ANGLE

Dear Ann's, Inner Wheel Members and partners.

I have the honour of being the first District Ann's' Coordinator to *Lead the Way* in writing the newsletter this year. Firstly I'd like to wish all the club presidents a very successful year as they '*Lead the Way*' in helping us to serve our clubs and communities. An appropriate theme, I'm sure you'll agree. My thanks go to Sheila MacDonald for all her leadership, caring and *Service Above Self* over the past year.

I've been so pleased to have been present at a number of induction ceremonies and remain delighted at the amount of work the clubs have done during 2005-2006. Thanks one and all. Particularly pleasing is the nine Ann's of one club who received Paul Harris Fellowship Recognitions. My congratulations to all the awardees.

I know that you have all either completed your planning or have nearly done so. In discussions with DG Ethne I am sure that our Rotary District is in for a year of innovation and fresh ideas. I have seen an advance copy of the Ann's programme for the Queenstown Conference and it is delightfully different. May I ask you seriously to consider entering a suitable project for the Val Saunders Trophy? Conference is a wonderful showcase for all the work we do. Please e-mail me on dwillis@icon.co.za for the criteria if you are unsure because it is important to start preparing your entry as soon as possible.

Like me, I know that Melodene, Sheila and Lynn look forward to being of service to you during Ethne's year.

Best Wishes
Cathy

Fiscal Agent

Metcalf Fick has been appointed Fiscal Agent for our region. Our congratulations and very best wishes to him.

Our thanks to Ken Lester for the work that he did in this rôle.

Membership and New Generations Months

August is Membership and Extension Month. Of course, clubs should be high-lighting these matters in every month of the year, but August is a good month in which to ensure that your plans for the year are in place.

Clubs should also be planning for **New Generations Month in September.**

Thank You

To all clubs and individual Rotarians who contacted us, and gave their support in so many ways after the recent unfortunate event when our family was held at gun-point in our own home for several hours, a very sincere thank you from Wes and from myself.

When something as traumatic as that occurs one really needs all the support available, and the Family of Rotary was wonderfully supportive.

Thank you so much.

In Memoriam

It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Rotarians in our District. Our deepest sympathies to family members, friends, and fellow Rotarians in the clubs of which they were members:

Rodney Skelton – (message from Natalie Steer, Algoa Bay Club)

Our dear fellow Rotarian, Rodney Skelton, passed away early on Thursday morning, 1 June.

To his Ann, Annette; his children, Roanne, Patrick and Mark; his mother, Sarah; his brother, Paddy and his Ann, Toy; and all the other members of his family, we extend our deep sympathy. We shall miss Rodney's cheerful presence at our regular meetings. He was not one to go unnoticed in the busy throng. He joined our club in 1984, moved to Pretoria in 1985, where in good time he took on the mantle of President of his Rotary Club, then returned to our club in 1996, where he remained as a member.

Dick Ewing DG 1976-1977 - Dick passed away on 11 June at Damant Lodge in Port Alfred. The memorial service was held in Port Alfred on Thursday 15th June.

(There follows an extract from the Eulogy delivered by John Lardner-Burke)

It was in March 1966 that Dick was proposed for membership of the Arcadia Club, where he served as president in 1970/71. Whilst attending the International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, Dick met Wes Anderson, President-Elect of the R.C. of Arcadia, California. A friendship ensued and Dick helped formulate the 'Rotary Exchange' the forerunner of the Rotary Friendship Exchange. Over the years Dick has been involved in the establishment of a number of new clubs: Beacon Bay (then East London North) Bonza Bay, Aliwal North, Stutterheim and Port Alfred. He authorised the extension of Rotary into Lesotho with the establishment of the Maseru Club. He was a Paul Harris Fellow and the first chairman of the district Polio Plus Committee. He was a hard working, true Rotarian who will be sorely missed.

Leon Haupt – The members of the Rotary Club of Stutterheim mourn the passing of Leon Haupt, a long standing member, Past President, and a Paul Harris Fellow. Sympathies go to his widow Dora and family and friends.