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Rotary Foundation Newsletter

DISTRICT 9600

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As part of your club's Presidential Citation requirements you are required to enter your Club; Annual Fund & Polio goals on the My Rotary website – please ensure your club has done this. At present only 19 clubs in our District have. The other significant part of the Citation is that each and every member must personally contribute \$US26.50 or more by 8th November. What easier way to achieve that than by using the Centurion Poles. Treasurers please ensure you have transferred this money to The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust on time.



Please arrange your AU\$40 per member ASAP.

November 29 – Centennial Dinner with PRIP Kalyan Banerjee. Have you booked your place yet? Tickets selling fast!

February 16 - Proposed Polio Movie Day

February 23 – Rotary's Birthday. Prepare for a week of celebrations! An Australian wide advertising campaign in movie theatres during the week. Potential for clubs to do collections at their local cinema for the entire week and promote Rotary as well. More news to come.

March 2017 - Gala Dinner with District 9630 and the Peace Centre.

April 8 2017 - Rotary Peace Fellow's Seminar (see inside)

June 2017 - Atlanta for the Centenary

Don't forget the Zone Centennial Dinner Tuesday 29th November RSVPs CLOSE 21st November Please see flyer on Page 3 for further details on the event

GLOBAL GRANTS

Londrina Hospital project was a Global Grant supported by District 4710 and 9675 plus these Rotary Clubs: Pine Rivers, Londrina-Sudeste, Lodrina-Universidade, and The Hague-Metropolitan. With a total budget of US\$62,100 this Global Grant was for the acquisition and donation of equipment to the Surgery Centre of the Cancer Hospital of Londrina in Brazil. The equipment was able to provide improvement in hospital care, quality of care and efficiency in prevention, diagnosis and earlier treatment of cancer in this hospital serving 3 million people, taking 1,250 calls per day for 5,000 patients at any time. No D9600 DDF but a match from world funds of US\$28,800.

NOVEMBER EXCHANGE RATE US\$1 = AU\$1.35

Please see District Website or Directory, pages 32-37 for contact numbers of The Rotary Foundation Team.













DISTRICT GRANTS

- 1) Buderim Rotary Club using \$1,576 of Club funds together with \$1,500 of District Dedicated Funds from the Rotary Foundation supplied 280 mosquito nets purchased locally by the Rotary Club of Siaya, Kenya to the Rotary Club of Siaya for their distribution locally in an area suffering a malaria positive test rate of 43.2% in their community.
- 2) The Blackall Range Care Group Inc. received support for their running costs of one of their nurse's vehicles with a District Grant of \$1,000 matched to \$1,000 from the Maleny Rotary Club.
- 3) The Celebrating the Centennial of World War 1, a time capsule was arranged as part of the celebration by the Rotary Club of Maleny. Its contents were provided by over a dozen local schools, churches, and community groups including the Club and its Interact Club. Using local resources and supplies a District Grant of \$456.60 was used to add to other funds to complete this project providing great local Public Relations.

HOW TO REACH OUR TARGET OF \$500,000 (USD)

1,215 Centurions x A\$100 = \$90,000 from members 50 x PHS = \$50,000 from members

Major Donors = \$40,000 from individuals

60 Clubs x \$4,000 average = \$240,000 from clubs

302 members x US\$26.50 = \$80,000





BECOMING A CENTURION WITH POCKET CHANGE!

For a purchase cost of \$2 you can have your own Centurion Coin Collector. These collectors hold \$100 worth of \$2 coins, enough for anybody to become a Centurion, especially in this Centennial Year of the Foundation!

Return the filled pole to your Club Foundation Chairman to have this credited to you as a tax deductable donation to the Foundation.

New poles are available for \$0.60 each, which will assist the Foundation in continuing to do good work in the world.

MEET JOHANNES DEHLER

Rotary Peace Fellow



Sponsor Club: Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio, USA, *District 6630* Host Club: Rotary Club of Logan, Logan *District 9630*

Johannes is from Fulda in Germany, a town that was of strategic importance during the Cold War, because the 'Fulda Gap' was seen as a key entry route for a Warsaw Pact advance to Western Europe. The events of 1989/90 and their implications for the lives of people in the highly militarized border area inspired him to focus on International Relations and Conflict Resolution. After his studies in Political Science, Geography and Development Studies, Johannes worked with a wide range of NGOs active in the fields of development cooperation and peace-building in conflict-affected areas of Southeast Asia. In Myanmar, Thailand and Mindanao in the Southern Philippines, his work focused on the protection of civilians, ceasefire monitoring and the prevention and transformation of armed conflict. Before his fellowship

at the University of Queensland, he worked as the Protection Project Manager with the International Rescue Committee (IRC) on preparedness for voluntary return of refugees and internally displaced persons in Kayin State, Myanmar. Johannes facilitated the provision of medical, legal and psycho-social responses to grave child rights violations as part of the UN-led Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism in Mindanao. He also worked as a researcher on land governance, development and economic reforms in Myanmar, and as a consultant on program development and capacity building related to organisational development, conflict transformation, democratisation and political education. Johannes's main research interests are the dynamics around community-based protection in the context of ceasefires and peace processes as well as conflicts over natural resources.



Rotarians, Partners, Friends & Guests,

are cordially invited to participate in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of The Rotary Foundation.

Date: Tuesday 29th November 2016 - Arrive 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

Venue: Eatons Hill Hotel & Function Centre, 646 South Pine Road, Eatons Hill – Grand ballroom.

Cost: \$75 Per Person. Cash bar.

Keynote Speaker: Kalyan Banerjee

Past R.I. President & Chairman of Trustees of The

Rotary Foundation

Registration: trfcentennial@rotary9600.org

Payment: Westpac Bank, BSB: 034 272 A/C No.

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OR On-Line: www.trfcentennial.eventbrite.com.au

RSVP: Monday 21st November 2016

PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY LUNCHEON

On Sunday 16th October Paul Harris Society members, partners and friends enjoyed the annual PHS luncheon at Clios on Rosemount on the Sunshine Coast.

The Paul Harris Society is a special district program designed for Rotarians who wish to support The Rotary Foundation in a more substantial way each year.

PDG Carolyn Krueger had great pleasure in presenting Peter Morley, President RC Redcliffe Sunrise, with his PHS chevron and certificate in recognition of his commitment to The Rotary Foundation.

Everyone enjoyed listening to 2 of our District's Youth Exchange alumni 'Inbounder' Laura van Zyl and 'Outbounder' Fiona Simpson MP - both having enjoyed their YEP experience during 1983.

Both Fiona and Laura reiterated how life-changing their youth exchange had been. Laughter prevailed when Fiona told us of her experiences when she arrived in Japan with not a glimmer of the Japanese language, and many felt a lump in their throat as Laura told us of her decision to migrate, with her family, to Australia.

Two amazing stories. All in all it was great luncheon.

Membership to the PHS is open to everyone.

The Rotary Foundation, if you are interested in knowing more on PHS please refer to page 37 of the current District Directory.

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ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS' SEMINAR 2017 – DATE SAVER

Saturday, April 8th 2017
University of Queensland
St Lucia Campus



The Rotary Peace Centre at the University of Queensland was established in 2001, after an extensive worldwide search by Rotary International. Rotary wished to initiate a new program that would make a practical contribution to the quest for a more peaceful world. Annually up to 110 Peace Fellows attend one of the Rotary Centres around the world to undertake a Master's Degree or Professional Development Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies. This reflects Rotary's commitment to education and learning as an important tool in the goal to advance peace and justice internationally, alongside its other major focus of humanitarian work such as eradicating Polio and improving water and sanitation in various locations around the world.

Polio National Immunization Day

There are currently some spaces left on the NID Travel Trip to India for NID 29th January 2017!

A Rotarian in India provides a quality tour of sights in India, Rotary meetings, Rotary Projects plus participation in the NIA.

Rotarian, Mark Anderson and his wife, Lyn participated in the last one and you can look forward to the recount of their experiences in the upcoming RDU magazine.

This tour commences 21st January 2017 in Delhi and concludes on 31st January 2017. The one after this is planned for April.



KALYAN BANERJEE - Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair, 2016-17

In 1917, Arch Klumph proposed an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world," beginning with first donation of only \$26.50. Since then, The Rotary Foundation has grown into a world-class humanitarian organization. Few other charitable foundations can claim a 100-year history marked by distinctive and impactful programs – all the more impressive when you consider its humble beginning.

To ensure our future ability to improve communities worldwide is even brighter, your support is needed now more than ever. Please join me in not only celebrating the first 100 years of the Foundation, but also continue to build on our successes in areas like polio eradication. Please encourage your clubs, your friends and yourselves to do more than ever before to celebrate and showcase the impact of the Foundation's programs in your community.

Just wonder what our Foundation will look like when all Rotarians, everywhere, give it their sustained support. The Foundation's fundraising goal of \$300 million USD is a challenge that I hope you, your clubs, and your fellow members will rise to meet. All contributions made during this Rotary year will count towards the goal, so I urge you to take part in this milestone.

The <u>Foundation Centennial website</u> serves as an excellent resource, with information on our Foundation's rich history and how you and your fellow members can celebrate the Centennial.

Part of our Centennial celebrations includes asking club members to do 100 acts of good throughout the year. Let others know by posting photos on social media using #100actsofgood. Whether done individually or as a club, these acts of good can make a significant impact. Hold an event that involves your entire community and showcases The Rotary Foundation's good work. Share your celebration with Rotarians worldwide by posting online using #trf100.

The Foundation also plans to recognize major achievements related to its programs, including the tremendous work that Rotary clubs and districts accomplish through Rotary Foundation grants.

Our founder Paul Harris once wrote, "Individual effort may be turned to individual needs, but combined effort should be dedicated to the service of mankind. The power of combined effort knows no limitation." Through our Foundation, Rotarians have been able to combine resources to provide extraordinary service to both local needs and global initiatives. Our centennial now offers an ideal opportunity to remind our members – and tell the rest of the world – about our Foundation's rich history of humanitarian work. With your help and dedication, we will be able to give our Foundation the recognition it deserves.

Rotaract Club of Rivercity – Let's get Tropical Pub Crawl 2016

Rotaract club of Rivercity recently held a Pub Crawl event in the Brisbane city area, the proceeds of which towards the Rotary foundation. It was a very successful night that brought together a number of both Rotaractors and non Rotaractors. The night started the night the Pig and whistle on riverside, which is where we hold our meetings. We usually have our meetings there and it was a fantastic place to start off the night.



We continued on the night stopping at three other Pubs including the stock exchange, Gilhooleys and the down under bar. Throughout the night we also played various games that involved scavenging for as many coasters as possible or playing drink bingo.

It was a night that perfectly suited our club as we were able to have a drink, have a good time and also raise some money for the Rotary foundation.

Water Underground

Water Underground not for profit organization was founded in 2014 by Justin Arana (a USC International Relations Graduate from Long Beach, California and former humanitarian aid worker) and Silvestre Uqueio (former Director of Agriculture for Inhambane Province, Mozambique). The two met by chance in Mozambique and bonded over their shared empathy for the extreme suffering of the Mozambican people living without access to simple clean drinking water. Seeing the staggering death toll from majority water-borne diseases, and the subsequent poverty trap these rural communities were stuck in largely because of a lack of access to clean water, they put their heads together and began to formulate the Water Underground model.

In 2015, Queensland born Pauline Egan (with a Bachelor of Nursing from QUT and Post Graduate Certificate in Primary Health in Developing Countries from Flinders University) heard about the organization and soon came on board as the Water Underground WASH program director and Co-Director of the organization. "Water Underground appealed to me because it was the first organization that I came across that had such a strong focus on empowering and equipping the local people to lift themselves out of poverty, without creating a dependence on foreign aid" says Egan.

Water Underground believes in providing people with the tools to be completely self-reliant and spur long term growth and development. It is not just about providing access to clean drinking water, in fact, accessing the underground water is by far the 'easiest part'. Putting the sustainable infrastructure in place to ensure improved health, sanitation, food security, education and income generation is where the 'real work' resides. Putting the sustainable infrastructure in place to ensure





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transparency with donors are key to the success projects. "Donors want to see where their money is actually going, so we make sure that they are included in the entire process and give them the chance to see the immediate impact of their incredible generosity" says Egan.

Water Underground has recently partnered with the Rotary Club of Long Beach, California and the Rotary Club of Polana, Mozambique and are looking for other clubs to partner with in their current Global Grant (GG1746775).

Water Underground has already completed 11 community projects in Mozambique in the past 16 months (directly changing the lives of 22,000 people). All 11 communities now have a Government Recognized Water Oversight Committee, and in each community school there is now a manual bore pump water well, a large garden (built entirely by the local community, half for income generation for the costs for the repairs on the well and half for nutrition for school children), a full sanitation center with boys, girls and teachers toilets plus hand wash station and girls' private feminine hygiene room.

Water Underground has ambitious goals for 2017 and with Rotary's support, we can strive to complete a minimum of 10 more projects in 2017.



Peace Fellow Announcement!

We would like to share some exciting news with you in regard to the announcement of this year's Rotary Peace Fellow scholarships. Given that there are 540 Rotary Districts in the world, and that only 94 Scholarships were granted, our region has been outstanding in the number of scholarships granted.

Master's Degree

D9710 to Bradford D9810 to Duke/UNC D9670 to Duke/UNC D9455 to ICU D3780 to UQ (Australia to UK) (Australia to USA) (Australia to USA) (Australia to Japan) (Philippines to Australia)

Diploma Course (Thailand)

D9600 (Australia) D3820 (Philippines) D9800 (Australia) D9710 (Australia) D9920 (New Zealand)