



## DG Weekly Message

### Membership Month

August is Membership Development and Extension Month... Membership in Rotary is all about giving Service Above Self.

August is Membership Development and Extension month. However, as we all know, every month is really Membership month. Rotary members are the life blood of our organisation. If we do not have members, how can we hope to achieve all that we need to achieve. How can we help all those that are depending on our help. We must grow or we will die. All Clubs, all 34,000 of them, would welcome new members, dynamic men and women, who are ready to give Service Above Self and give back to the community in which they live, and to people around the world, of whom they have never met, and may never meet. Membership of Rotary is very special and very unique. It's a special type of individual that gives up their time, their very valuable time, in this busy lifestyle we lead today, to join a volunteer organisation such as Rotary. They will receive no payment for their time. They will bring skills and vocational expertise to a Club. It is indeed, all about Service Above Self. It's about giving rather than



**Iven Mackay and Marilyn**  
**District Governor 2010-2011**

taking.

For those that attended the Membership & Marketing Seminar on Sunday 15 August, held in conjunction with The Foundation Seminar, I hope you gained many new ideas, initiatives and have embraced the many ways that we can now connect with people. This District has an outstanding new and developing website that can be viewed at [rotarydistrict9800.org](http://rotarydistrict9800.org).

Marilyn and I are into our 3rd week of Official DG Club visits, and are enjoying the very special privilege of visiting every one of our 70 Clubs in the District. It's refreshing to say that all our Clubs are different, all have their own history, own customs and own way of doing things. This is a good thing, what works for one Club in one suburb and area may not work for another, and each has developed its own style and personality. I encourage you **all**

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#### Clarice Caricare

Do you have a letter for Clarice? Is something on your mind?



Send Clarice an mail at [clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au](mailto:clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au)

### August is Membership Development & Extension Month



to get out into your District, and do a Make-up at any one of these wonderful Rotary Clubs. You will find, as we have, a very warm welcome awaits.

GSE applications are now open for a Rotarian in the District to apply as Team Leader for D5840 San Antonio, Texas, in May-June, 2011. We are looking for 4 Team Members, non Rotarians who are professional/business people aged 25-40 in the early stages of their career, and ask Clubs to seek and nominate suitable candidates for this once in a lifetime opportunity. For more details, see the [District website](#).

Have a great week in Rotary,

**DG Iven**

## Boxes of Hope for Pakistani Flood Victims

ShelterBox tents have been distributed in Rajanpur District and other districts are currently receiving more tents. Within days 1,000 ShelterBoxes and Response Teams were on the ground and 6,000 tents (the new Mark 10 design) have been directly dispatched from our manufacturer in China.

PDG Colin Muir sends us this information: 6,000 families affected by the Pakistani floods will be given the means to survive as 6,000 more ShelterBox disaster relief packages are sent into the disaster-affected area.



ShelterBox Australia is playing a significant part in ensuring that the displaced survivors of the disaster are provided with the aid they need to survive.

“In a disaster area such as flood-ravaged Pakistan, a ShelterBox can represent the difference between life and death for a family of up to 10 people,” said ShelterBox Australia’s Lasse Petersen.

“For floods of this magnitude, we are thankful that the death-toll was only 1,600, but the United Nations estimates that 20 million people are now homeless as a result. That’s more people affected than the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami, the 2005 Kashmir earthquake and the 2010 Haiti earthquake combined.”

“The immediate survival needs of these victims must be a priority for the international community and that’s where ShelterBox can offer the most practical help possible,” he added.

Distribution of ShelterBox tents to Pakistan flood victims commenced two weeks ago and more shelterboxes and tents continue to be flown in as the disaster worsens. ShelterBox has initiated a large scale response and urgently seeks further donor support to enable much greater numbers to receive rapid assistance.

ShelterBox has extensive experience in Pakistan having responded to separate disasters twice already this year as well as numerous occasions in 2008\2009.

To ensure the aid gets to people who need it quickly, ShelterBox is working with the French Military and Pakistan’s National Disaster Management Authority, both of whom have extensive experience working with ShelterBox in several disaster responses.

A ShelterBox contains:

- a disaster relief tent for an extended family especially designed to withstand extreme temperatures, winds and rainfall
- thermal blankets and insulating ground sheets
- mosquito nets
- family water purification unit & water containers for carrying and storage
- a basic tool kit, including a hammer, axe, saw, hoe head, pliers and wire cutters
- a wood burning stove
- plates, cups, cutlery and cooking utensils
- a children's pack, containing small gifts such as colouring books and crayons.

ShelterBox was founded in 1999 in order to provide disaster-affected people with the means to survive the first few days, weeks and months as they work to rebuild their lives. Now ShelterBox is one of the largest disaster-relief organisations in the world, operating from 15 countries, including Australia.

For more information and interviews: Scott MacKillop Mobile: 0404 020 476 [smackillop@brilliantlogic.com.au](mailto:smackillop@brilliantlogic.com.au)  
If tax receipts for personal donations are required, include the name and address with those particular donations. Cheques may be sent direct to Post Office Box 217, Wahroonga, NSW, Australia 2076.

## Foundation Approves First Global Grant

*By Arnold R. Grahl  
Rotary International News - 16 June 2010*

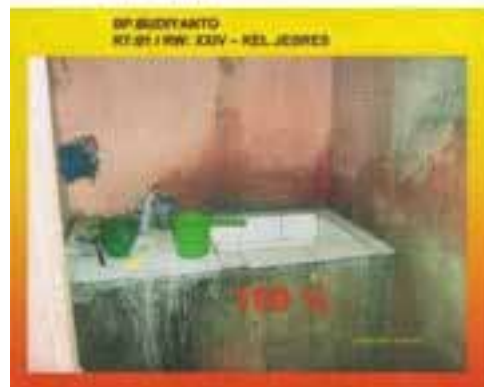
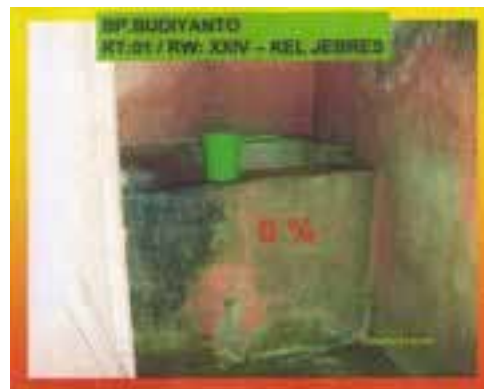
The Rotary Foundation has approved the first global grant under the Future Vision pilot, set to begin on 1 July, for a project to combat the spread of dengue fever in Indonesia.

With a total project budget of roughly US\$39,000, Rotarians in Connecticut, USA and Indonesia aim to help disrupt the breeding cycle of the mosquitoes that transmit the disease in Kadipiro, a community of 49,000 factory workers on the outskirts of Surakarta, Central Java, Indonesia.

Dengue fever is a painful and debilitating disease that is particularly prevalent in tropical and subtropical urban settings. With no vaccines available to halt its spread, the illness affects 50 to 100 million people annually, according to the World Health Organization, and causes about 22,000 deaths a year.

The global grant includes \$15,660 from the Foundation, which will be combined with \$7,740 in District Designated Fund allocations from the two districts, and another \$15,844 raised by participating Rotary clubs. The project supports the disease prevention and treatment area of focus.

Most of the funds will go toward hiring contractors to install white ceramic tiling on the interior surfaces of Indonesian-style cement bathtubs in 900 homes, making it easier to spot grey mosquito larvae spawned in the tubs.



## Friends of Glen Eira

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The Rotary Club of Glen Eira recently launched a new initiative Friends of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira.

The club recognised that some people don't have the time or commitment to be a member of a Rotary Club but still want to help others. People have busy lives and busy schedules, but would still like to be involved and help where they can.

By being a Friend of the Rotary Club of Glen Eira, you can use your time and talents to help others but not be restricted by the obligations of being a Rotarian.

To become an official Friend, there is no joining fee. As a service to the Club it is suggested that a minimum annual contribution of \$50 would be appreciated. 50% of this donation will go to the Rotary Foundation and 50% goes to local Rotary projects.

Friends are welcome to join weekly meetings to hear interesting guest speakers and learn more about the work of Rotary



### NEW MEMBER

A recently inducted new member to the Rotary Club of Glen Eira is Debbie Panakos. Her classification is Education – Secondary. She is the Business Manager at Glen Eira Secondary College. She has a long connection with Rotary, having previously been a member of the Rotary Club of Caulfield for over a decade.

## Did You Know?

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*The average person that quits smoking requires one less hour of sleep per night.*

## Future Vision Plans are Under Way

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Future Vision will be a window of opportunity for the increased effectiveness of The Rotary Foundation.

The Future Vision plans started on the 1st July 2010 for our District.

Full details are available in this month's [Foundation Newsletter](#).





# GSE Team to Texas

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For the latest Group Study Exchange news and an entertaining video about what brings San Antonio alive culturally and business-wise, check out the new GSE page on our website. Budding team members and team leaders should watch it now.

Rotarians across our District will be practising their Texan drawl and adding “Y’all” to every sentence as we link with District 5840 in Southwest Texas. Each club in our District has a partner club in District 5840. In addition, this year’s Group Study Exchange is with District 5840 – we will be hosting their team in March/April 2010 and our team will head to Texas in May/June 2010.

Group Study Exchange is a flagship program of our District and of the Rotary Foundation. The Group Study Exchange program of The Rotary Foundation is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women between the ages of 25 and 40 and in the early years of their professional lives. The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country’s institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

This year, the program is particularly embraced by the two District Governors. DG Stephanie Macchia of D5840 is a past GSE team member and our own DG Iven Mackay led our District’s team to Korea in 2006. District 5840 includes the City of San Antonio. It is a centre for medical excellence, military, utilities, and tourism. We plan on selecting a team that will do our District proud and return with enthusiasm and new ideas.

Check out the GSE web page for more information, including all the important dates at [http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/group\\_study\\_exchange\\_2011](http://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/group_study_exchange_2011)



# One Liners

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*How can the cemetery raise it's burial costs and blame it on the cost of living?*

*Why do they leave out the letter “b” on Garage Sale signs?*

*Where do they get the seeds to plant seedless watermelons?*

# Maternal and Child Health Care and Rotary

by RFPD CEO Robert Zinser

Maternal and Child Health Care is one of the biggest challenges of our time, and has become a top priority of many organisations. At the recent G8 Summit, members committed themselves to contribute \$5 billion to Maternal and Child Health over the next five years. Other governments and foundations such as The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation have joined this initiative with a donation of \$2.3 billion.

Seeing the need for a comprehensive and integrated approach to health, the African Union session in Kampala in July also addressed Maternal, Infant and Child Health and Development in Africa. It was emphasised that “women and children must come first”.

The Rotary Foundation also committed itself to Maternal and Child Health by making it an ‘Area of Focus’ in the Future Vision Plan.



Several projects – initiated by the Rotary Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development – already tackle the problem of insufficient maternal and child health care in Nepal, India, South America, Senegal and Nigeria. With the “Maternal Health” TRF Matching Grant Project in Nigeria sponsored by many German and Austrian clubs, we have developed a model to reduce maternal and child mortality, which can easily be transferred to and implemented in other regions.

Our evidence-based model to reduce maternal and child mortality has brought forth remarkable results towards the achievement of MDG 5. At the UN summit this September, the UN Secretary-General will present his Joint Action Plan for Women’s and Children’s Health. Projects that are launched at that time will get the greatest attention.

We all learned from the PolioPlus program that there are problems that cannot be solved by small scale single interventions. We showed the world what Rotary can do.

This is Rotary’s opportunity to make an impact by implementing the model in the pilot District 9110, Nigeria, and give the world a clear sign. The whole world is looking for ways to reduce maternal and child mortality – Rotary has one!

Full story at [http://www.rifpd.org/Resources/FragileEarth/2010/FragileEarth\\_201009.pdf](http://www.rifpd.org/Resources/FragileEarth/2010/FragileEarth_201009.pdf)

## What Not to do in a Membership Drive

If you have members, chances are you’re making at least one of these strategic mistakes identified by Ellis Robinson. With striking clarity she points the way not only to building your membership rolls, but to understanding your membership as your constituency:

There’s always someone who says, “We need to increase our membership from 5,000 to 10,000 in the next three years.” But too often nobody really knows what our target membership should be, and nobody really knows how



to do “smart growth” in membership.

**Mistake #1**

Encouraging people to become members

This is a mistake because it is based on the idea that people who are involved with your organisation will join on their own, or in the week or so after they've left your fundraising event. Instead of encouraging people to join (presumably at some later time): Ask people to join right now, and give them a reason to join right now.

**Mistake #2**

Over-using membership numbers in public

Unless they are really big (like a million paid members), we tend to talk about membership numbers too much, usually to people who are unimpressed by them.

Remember, your work doesn't just benefit your members, it benefits your community!

**Mistake #3**

Thinking membership benefits are important

Except for a zoo or museum where people join to get discounted admission, most people don't join community-based membership organisations for discounts. Every organisation is different, but most people join because:

They appreciate what you do (a neighbourhood centre, a cause)

Out of guilt. They're glad you're speaking out and they're willing to pay for you to do it. (They do want to know what their money has been doing.)

Joining is a way for them to feel part of a specific community

You give them a chance to dream

So when you ask people to join, focus on these reasons as benefits, not on key chains, magnets and other gewgaws.

# Tibet Earthquake

*By Don Cullen of Brighton North Rotary Club*

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An earthquake of magnitude 6.9 which struck Tibet last April has had scant reporting in the media. One local official in Jiegu is reported as saying that more than 85% of the houses had collapsed following the series of quakes and that large cracks had appeared on the buildings that remained standing. Don Cullen of Brighton North Rotary Club was in Lhasa at the time, and he sends this report:

I mentioned at Brighton North Rotary Club that Tibetan Village Project Australia has just sent 300 insulated tents to assist the survivors in the Yushu area of Tibet. Just to bring you up to date, we were in Tibet on April 14th. Tamdin was in Chengdu and I was in Lhasa, both of us supervising projects in both areas.

The quake hit at 8:13 am and we immediately swung in to action. I flew back to Chengdu and we organised for Tamdin to go immediately to the quake area to see what we could do. (No Westerners were allowed anywhere near it) 2,175 people had perished, 10,300 were injured and 100,000 were homeless.

Tamdin set up a command base and I remained in Chengdu, organising translators for the injured who were being brought in to Chengdu hospitals and scrounging goods of any kind: bedding, clothes, cooking utensils, food, etc. Most of the survivors could not speak Chinese so we organised translators for them in the two hospitals they were located in.



We then went out and purchased more clothing, cooking utensils, bedding, etc and filled 3 large trucks to take the goods to Tamdin's base to distribute. This work has not stopped and I think how difficult this would be with out the internet so that I can organise things from Melbourne.

Now, 4 months later and things are still chaotic in the area. Tamdin is currently in the area. We now have a manufacturer in Chengdu who is manufacturing insulated tents for us at A\$300 each,. We are still sending in supplies and it will be a long term project, not forgetting our other projects.



I just wanted to make clear that our work does not stop and I again thank RC Brighton North for their emotional support and friendship that makes such a difference when working isolated areas like Yushu in Tibet.

I have a number of pictures that are not suitable for public viewing, but some of you may be interested just to see how things happen when a quake happens

## Kick Start Spring

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Here are some ideas on how to take advantage at maximum of the good things spring offers us:

1. For a great source of fibre, vitamins, minerals, antioxidants, opt for vegetables. Since during the winter a lot of us have relied mostly on the vegetables we have conserved in the fridge since last fall, now it is the best moment for going to the nearest market and buying fresh salad, spinach, dandelion greens and nettles.
2. It's quite possible that Melbourne's winter did not tempt you to go out for much physical activity, and now your body is lusting for some jogging, cycling or even a nice walk. Take advantage of the warming weather and go in the park with your family or with a friend or two. This will definitely wake you up from your winter sleep.
3. Watch out for the seasonal cold. You might believe that winter is the best season to catch a cold, but you are quite wrong. Especially during the spring most of the people with a weak immune system catch a cold or even flu. So the best thing to do will be to avoid for a few more weeks the crowded places that can expose you more intensely to viruses.
4. Even if some might be happy that spring is finally here, not all of us can live this wonderful feeling due to spring allergies. If you know that you are allergic to pollen it is best to use air filters indoors during these few weeks, buy antihistamines and special eye drops, so that the spring does not take you by surprise with a tiny allergy.
5. Don't forget about sun block lotions. As I'm sure you will be spending more and more time outdoors I want to remind you about using special creams that block the UVA and UVB from affecting your skin. Protect your nose, lips and ears as they tend to get burned a lot more easily.
6. Organise you time so that you can finish your daily chars at work or at school and still be able to go in the park for relaxation. Seeing how warm it can get and how lovely the sunlight dances on our skin we might get a little bit more dreamy and lazy and this might lead us to neglecting out daily chars. The idea is to make a plan of how you are going to spent your day and stick to it. In this way you will not have any problems with your boss and you will

be able to enjoy every moment of this spring.



# Sri Lankan Chicken Curry

*Relish Recipe Tip, Rotary Club of St. Kilda*

## Ingredients:

2kg skinless chicken thighs  
(on the bone)  
2tsp turmeric  
1 tsp paprika  
1 tsp cumin  
1/2 cup soy sauce  
1/2 cup vegetable oil  
10-12 curry leaves  
1/2 tsp fenugreek  
2 tsp chilli powder  
1 large onion, chopped  
4-5 cloves garlic, crushed  
2-3 tsp crushed ginger  
1tbsp roasted curry powder  
2tbsp tomato paste  
1/2-3/4 cup white vinegar  
1tbsp salt  
1-2tbsp roasted and ground rice  
1-2tbsp roasted and ground desiccated coconut  
2tsp brown sugar  
400ml coconut milk  
pepper to taste



## Method

Chicken on the bone ensures maximum flavour in curries. Sprinkle the chicken with turmeric, paprika and cumin. Pour soy sauce over the chicken and turn to coat. Set aside to marinate for 20 minutes.

In a large lidded pan, heat oil and lightly fry curry leaves, fenugreek, chilli powder and onion. As the onion becomes translucent, add garlic, ginger and curry powder, stirring constantly. Add tomato paste, vinegar and salt. Vinegar isn't a traditional ingredient in Sinhalese curries, but it gives a good balance and acidity in this curry, lifting the dish. Stir until the mixture forms a paste, and then add the chicken. Cook over medium heat for 5-10 minutes uncovered. Ensure the chicken is well coated with the paste, the cover with the lid and cook on a low heat for about 40 minutes. Add the roasted and ground rice and coconut: they enhance the thickness and flavour of the gravy. Add sugar and coconut milk and cook for a further 5-10 minutes uncovered. Add more salt if required and pepper to taste.

Serve with steamed rice, sliced raw chilli and mango chutney. This is a home- and burgher-style chicken curry that reflects the Dutch and Portuguese influence in Sri Lanka.

## Serves 4-6

**CEYLON CURRY HOUSE** - 191 Clarendon Street, South Melbourne ph: 9690 9919  
Visit <http://www.relishrecipes.com.au/> to order your own copy of the recipe book.

# Notices & Events

## Quilts From All Over

QUILTS FROM ALL OVER to be held at the Hawthorn Town Hall.

Dates: 24 – 26 September  
Fri 10am – 5pm  
Sat 10am – 6pm  
Sun 10am – 4pm

Admission \$8. Profits to go to local and overseas community projects.

YES WE DO KNOW IT'S GRAND FINAL WEEKEND and what better time to visit a quilt show!

Information on the club web site at [www.hawthornrotary.org](http://www.hawthornrotary.org) or enquiries to [anne.scott2@bigpond.com](mailto:anne.scott2@bigpond.com)

## Rotary Fun Ride -

Sunday 24th October 2010

Organised by the Rotary Club of North Balwyn as a community event in support of Rotary's local and international projects and to promote good health, fitness and family fun.

For families and young children as well as experienced riders. Choice of distances (15km, 35km and 45 km) along the Koonung Trail through Ringwood, up the Mullum Creek Trail and return.

Most of the ride is on sealed shared walking/riding trails. Plenty of signage and marshals along the way.

By registering on-line you will go in the draw to win one of five \$100

vouchers from Top Gear Cycles.

Register on-line and find out more about the ride at [www.rotaryride.com.au](http://www.rotaryride.com.au)

## Children's Hearing Screening

Date: Saturday 9th October 2010

Venue: University of Melbourne  
AUDIOLOGY CLINIC 550  
Swanston St. Carlton (Melways  
Map 2D E10)

Details and a booking remittance form are provided below:

[View Booking Form](#)

## Rotary Leadership Institute

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district leadership development program which seeks to have Rotary Clubs identify those Rotarians who seem to have the potential for future club leadership (not necessarily as club presidents) and provide those so identified with a quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills for voluntary organisations.

Sunday August 22 and Sunday October 17

Sunday September 5 and Sunday November 14

RLI strongly believes that having leadership skills does not alone assure good Rotary leadership. An effective Rotary leader must also have Rotary knowledge, perspective about where Rotary has been, where it is going and a

vision of what Rotary can be.

RLI is a series of fast paced, interactive, one-day courses offered to refine a Rotarian's leadership skills and increase their base of knowledge in Rotary. Courses are fun, topical, interactive, and geared toward busy business and professional persons who want to be more effective leaders in their vocation and club and more knowledgeable Rotarians.

Courses are run by experienced, formally trained Rotarians in this district. Participants are expected to contribute their experience and ideas in facilitated discussion groups – usually 15 participants and the aim is to acquire Rotary knowledge and understanding of how Rotary operates differently in clubs and learn from these differences. The style of the courses is conversational and learning comes by sharing knowledge, ideas and opinions.

The Institute offers courses in three full day sessions - 9.00am to 3.15pm and participants must complete Part 1 before proceeding to Part 2 then graduating after completion of Part 3 however the completion of all three parts may be completed at your own timing.

## The course dates for the first six months of the 2010/2011 Rotary year are as follows:

Part 1 Sunday July 18 and Sunday September 19

Part 2 Sunday August 22 and Sunday October 17

# Notices & Events (continued)

Part 3 Sunday September 5 and Sunday November 14

Please contact the RLI Registrar Vicki Teschke, Rotary Club of Albert Park to register for any of these sessions.

Each club is encouraged to select at least two candidates for RLI annually. Students return to their club with enthusiasm, new contacts, fresh ideas, an increased understanding of their potential as Rotarians, and valuable skills impacting their potential leadership in the club. For 2010/2011 the cost per Rotarians is: \$55.00 and it is usual for clubs to pay this charge for their members.

## Venues:

Courses are held at two venues for both Melbourne based and regional Rotarians as follows: Montague Continuing Education Centre, 100 Montague Street, South Melbourne and Mechanics Institute, School Street, California Gully via Bendigo.

Participants Comments on RLI:

- "This is a must"
- "Great exchange of ideas"
- "Well worth attending"
- "Brilliant, Fun and Involving"
- "Well organised and presented"
- "Very educational and informative"
- "Valuable information I learned a lot"
- "Great facilitators and very informative"
- "What better way than learning from your peers"

PDG John Wigley Chairman, PDG

Ann White Faculty Coordinator

## European Masters

Wed 25 August 2010 @ 6.00pm

Introductory Talk on Artists (6.30pm) & Viewing  
\$30 per ticket

After the Exhibition join us at the Arts Centre CURVE BAR @ \$35 drinks/snacks.

Bookings by 19 August 2010  
[kerry@travelinn.net.au](mailto:kerry@travelinn.net.au)

## Sam Lipski AM, national journalist to speak to Rotary Club of Tullamarine

Sam Lipski AM is the featured speaker The RC of Tullamarine on Thursday 26th of August at the Hilton Hotel Melbourne Airport.

Sam has been a national and international journalist, for more than forty years and now works as the Chief Executive of the Pratt Foundation.

Cost is \$25 per head for a full buffet breakfast (includes parking). For bookings ring Des Malcolm on 0400 017 894.

## Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship

2 September, 2010

Meet in the heart of Lygon Street at Bottega Tasca Wine Shop, 321 Lygon street Carlton at 7.30 p.m.

There will be some cheese to munch on between sips of wine

AFTER THE TASTING. We will move to dine At Trotters Restaurant 400 Lygon street across the road

Please RSVP if you are coming to reserve your place: Leon Lewi: [llewi@connexus.net.au](mailto:llewi@connexus.net.au)

## Major Community Fundraising Event - Rotary Club of Essendon

**You're invited to a party 7.00 for 7.30pm start**

Friday 3rd September 2010

Function Room, Hilton Hotel Airport

\$65.00 per person and includes:

- Venetian mask per person
- Glass of sparkling wine on arrival
- Chef's selection of canapes
- 3 hours free-flow of sparking, white and red wines, beer, soft drinks and juices
- Chance to win night's accommodation and breakfast at Hilton Hotel to the value of \$460.00

RSVP by 21st August

For more Information visit the [Rotary Club of Essendon website](#)

## Eyes Wide Open Bon Voyage Party

To celebrate the departure of the next Eyes Wide Open tour to Nepal the Rotary Club of Melbourne South are having a special Bon Voyage meeting on Friday 10th September 2010 at the German Club, 291 Dandenong

# Notices & Events (continued)

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Road, Windsor. Some special entertainment is proposed for the day.

12.30 for 1pm start and lunch costs \$30 - drinks available from the bar.

Please email me or call me on 0418557751 to RSVP and also let me know of any dietary requirements you may have.

Sue Foley - [President of Rotary Club Melbourne South](#)

[‘Eyes Wide Open’ Website](#)

## **Recreational Vehicle Fellowship - Planned trip to the Little Desert**

8th-10th October, 2010

A specifically designed trip to re-evaluate this vastly underestimated location in Western Victoria. “A desert that isn’t really a desert”, with over 600kms of tracks to choose from and a Nature Lodge in the middle of nowhere.

Details available from Annie McGennisken, Rotary Club of Keilor East.

## **Rotary Friendship Exchange**

Vacancies exist for Rotarians and partners and Single Rotarians. Max of 12 in the team.

- South Africa approx dates  
15 – 29 April 2011
- Zambia approx dates  
1 – 14 May 2011
- Alberta Canada

Sept 2011

Please apply to PP Jeanette Lynch  
D9800 RFE Chair

[jeanette.michael@bigpond.com](mailto:jeanette.michael@bigpond.com)

03 9390 5400

0419 568 639

## **Cafe International - Advance Notice - Hold the Date**

6.30pm Sat 7th May 2011

International House, 241 Royal Parade, Parkville.

For further information please contact Tamra Keating, Development Manager, International House on 9345 7558 or [tkeating@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:tkeating@unimelb.edu.au)

## **Rotary Club of Point Gellibrand 25 Year Anniversary**

24 June, 2011

Celebrates 25 years of the Gellibabies!

Lock in the date!



# Ask Clarice

## Readers' Letters

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Hi Clarice –

*Welcome back, nice to see you have recaptured that social panache which I believe had gone astray for 12 months*

*Hope you have room for a small article on the Rotary Club of Altona City's Debutante Ball. I spoke to Bronwyn Fanning at our club meeting last night and she has agreed to send to you a couple of photos from the night.*

Kind regards

Charlie Hommelhoff

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Hi Charlie,

*Thank you so much for the letter. I'm glad that you've noticed my social panache. I look forward to seeing the photos and you can bet, that we'll have an article about the wonderful event, in Networker soon.*

Kind regards,

Clarice

## Do you have a letter for Clarice?

Clarice is interested in hearing what's on your mind. Send her any ideas or suggestions. Let her know if you have any corrections to articles or if you enjoyed an article from this issue. Please send all your letters to [clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au](mailto:clarice@rotarydistrict9800.org.au)

