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## NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS\*

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 AT 09H00

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Rotary in Africa will be held at 728 Main Road Northdene, Durban, KwaZulu Natal, South Africa on Friday 15 November 2024 commencing at 09h00. A zoom meeting link will be made available to those who wish to join the online meeting. Kindly send your zoom link request to [rotaryafrica@mweb.co.za](mailto:rotaryafrica@mweb.co.za)

#### AGENDA

1. Call to order and announcements
2. Confirmation of the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 10 November 2023.
3. Chairman's report
4. Editor's report
5. Treasurer's report and submission of annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.
6. Appointment of Auditors
7. Election of directors to serve on the Board for a period of 2 years. In terms of the Company's Article of Association, the following directors are due to retire from the Board:
  - i. Andrew Gray
  - ii. Natty Moodley
  - iii. Lee Anne Shearing

Being eligible, the abovenamed individuals make themselves available for re-election together with any other nominations that may be submitted to the Secretary by close of business on Friday 08 November 2024. Nominations must be emailed directly to Rotary in Africa at [rotaryafrica@mweb.co.za](mailto:rotaryafrica@mweb.co.za).

8. To conduct or transact any other business pertinent to an Annual General Meeting.

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*Members can also attend online (contact us for a link).*

**Natty Moodley**

Secretary

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# WELCOME

Sarah van Heerden - Editor in Chief

This month's magazine brings us a heart warming story that demonstrates how simple acts and everyday interactions can have an extraordinary impact.

Brad Needham's recollection of meeting James Earl Jones while being called out to do a job at the Drakensberg Sun is an inspiring example of how Rotary connections can create unforgettable moments. In Brad's case, a small question led to an incredible experience for his club. That special moment came about because Brad wasn't afraid to reach out and make a connection.

This story is a reminder that while most of us may not be celebrities, we have the power to leave a lasting impression on the people we meet. Whether it's through a casual conversation, a small gesture of kindness or simply by listening, our interactions shape how others see us and, more importantly, how they experience the world. Every time we engage with someone, we have a choice in the quality of the impression we leave behind.

For Rotarians, this is especially significant. We are committed to Service Above Self and

that means we actively strive to make every encounter a positive one. It's about showing empathy, offering support and making people feel valued. It's about creating connections that uplift and inspire, just as Brad's interaction with James Earl Jones did. That is what distinguishes us as Rotarians - we are driven to make a difference, not just through large-scale projects, but in our daily lives, one interaction at a time.

As we celebrate World Polio Day on 24 October, we are reminded of Rotary's long-standing commitment to having a monumental impact on the world. The fight to end polio is one of Rotary's greatest undertakings and a true testament to our collective ability to make a sustainable change. It's a reminder that when we come together, we can change lives, eradicate disease and make history.

So, as you go about your daily activities this month, remember that every moment is an opportunity. Let's continue to make lasting impressions that reflect the values of Rotary - kindness, service and a commitment to making the world a better place. After all, that's the ultimate legacy we can leave behind.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## IT TAKES A TEAM



**STEPHANIE URCHICK**  
*President, Rotary International*

With World Polio Day on 24 October, I'm proudly rooting for Rotary as we team up around the world to End Polio Now.

I had the honour of attending a Strike Out Polio event in July at PNC Park, home of the Pittsburgh Pirates Major League Baseball team. The Rotary Club of Delmont-Salem hosted the event, which raised \$1.3 million for PolioPlus.

Later in the summer, I joined members of our Rotary family in supporting the Más Millas Menos Polio (More Miles Less Polio) bike ride. Felipe Meza Chávez and his team rode all the way from Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, to One Rotary Centre in Evanston, Illinois, to raise money and awareness. The ride took 12 days and Felipe and his team collected more than \$100,000 to support the fight against polio. It was a joy to greet them as they arrived in Evanston.

And I was thrilled to see Team End Polio raise global awareness around the 2024 Paris Olympics. This world-class roster of athletes, global leaders and polio eradication supporters came together to advocate for a world where no child has to live in fear of being paralysed by polio. Some of the athletes on Team End Polio are polio survivors themselves, adding weight to their advocacy.

These are just a few examples of the many ways Rotary has teamed up recently to End Polio Now. It is vital that we continue to seek out and recruit teammates in polio eradication,

especially after the challenges our eradication efforts have faced this year.

The Rotary world was heartbroken to learn about the tragic passing in August of Aidan O'Leary, director for polio eradication at the World Health Organisation.

I knew Aidan and worked with him directly. He was a tireless advocate in the fight against polio and a kind, genuine man. We will remember him both for his advocacy and his warmth. However, where there is hardship, there is also hope. I feel hopeful whenever I consider the countless ways Rotary supports the fight every day to eradicate polio.

As people of action, we don't have the luxury of giving in to despair, even in the face of tragedy. The best way to honour Aidan's memory is by teaming up and reaching our goal to End Polio Now. We made a promise to the children of the world and their families. It is incumbent upon us, together with our global partners, to end this threat once and for all.

There are so many ways we can team up to eradicate polio. You can donate to the End Polio Now campaign, join or initiate a PolioPlus Society in your club or district, or take inspiration from the fundraisers I mentioned above.

I encourage Rotary members around the world to continue to seek out new teammates, so that together, we end polio.

# A Hero of polio eradication

Mark Maloney  
Foundation Trustee Chair

World Polio Day, on 24 October, is a time to celebrate progress and rededicate ourselves to finishing the job of eradicating the disease. Let's also honour the countless Rotarians and Rotaractors who have championed the cause. One such hero was John Sever.

Sever, who died in April at age 92, was a member of the Rotary Club of Potomac, Maryland. An infectious disease specialist at the US National Institutes of Health, Sever recommended in 1979 that Rotary make polio eradication a global goal, expanding what began as a national vaccine campaign in the Philippines.

It is hard to imagine where we would stand today without Sever's decades of leadership, expertise and advocacy. In August, I was honoured to present his family with the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World and a crystal recognition piece in Sever's name.

What he helped initiate, PolioPlus, became an example of implementing an action plan in Rotary. Thanks to him - and the volunteerism and generosity of countless others - polio cases have decreased by more than 99 percent since 1988.

The path to our goal could not have been predicted and may take longer than expected. There are sometimes setbacks, as we experienced with increased cases in Pakistan

and Afghanistan this year. But we get back on our feet. This year, we ended an outbreak of wild poliovirus in Malawi and Mozambique that was caused by an importation from Pakistan in 2021 and we decreased variant poliovirus cases. Rotary and our partners stay flexible, developing new tactics while staying focused on the long-term goal, with optimism. Delivering a polio-free world with stronger health systems and communities is not only right for humanity but also a smart investment in future generations. It will be Rotary's greatest gift to the world.

Countless heroes have followed Sever's lead. From the club president who organised their first End Polio Now fundraiser to the advocates, donors and volunteers. We are all part of this story.

With your support, this year's World Polio Day will be the greatest ever. Donate to End Polio Now at [rotary.org/donate](https://rotary.org/donate). Your gift will be tripled, thanks to the 2-to-1 match by the Gates Foundation. Join or initiate a PolioPlus Society in your club or district. Raise awareness in your community about how we will eradicate a human disease for only the second time in history.

Whatever you do, do it for future generations who will live without this debilitating disease. Let us deliver on our promise to the world's children and end polio forever.



2025 Rotary International Convention Countdown

## NEW FRIENDS, OLD FRIENDS

Attending the Rotary International Convention in Calgary is a way to support peace. When you visit the House of Friendship, meeting fellow members and learning about clubs' concerns, you add to international understanding. Members spread peace when they write their hopes on paper cranes that they suspend from the peace tree in the Peace Park exhibit. Rotary has promoted peace since its early days: At the fifth convention, in Houston in 1914 a month before World War I, members voted to back an international peace movement.

In Singapore in May, RI marked 25 years since it announced the Rotary Peace Centres programme. "To believe in peace is to have hope and to do so, one must be both stubborn and optimistic and be eager to persist and make a difference," Rotary Peace Fellow María Antonia Pérez said.

Conventions inspire action with prominent

speakers that have included United Nations peace messenger and conservationist Jane Goodall in 2009. Archbishop Desmond Tutu, awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for opposing apartheid, spoke that year at a pre-convention peace symposium.

While Rotary has its convention as a peacebuilding symbol, Calgary has its Peace Bridge of red metal where thousands of Canadians and visitors walk, cycle and stop for selfies each day. Its name memorialises fallen military members' sacrifices.

Inside the convention, the Peace Park by the Rotary Action Group for Peace has provided an oasis of contemplation. Plus, in Singapore it had a top snapshot spot among a garden of peace poles and paper flowers. Choose Calgary 21-25 June to contribute to a more peaceful world.

Learn more and register at [convention.rotary.org](https://convention.rotary.org).



# Time with Grandies

Dr Patrick Coleman - Rotary Foundation  
Major Gifts Advisor

Vocational Service is generally what we do to make a living and we are all busy making a living. We all get busy with work, but also with hobbies, politics, sporting events... even Rotary! Many of us enjoy our work.

Olga Tretyak wrote that there are 8 Signs You Love Your Job (<https://social-hire.com/blog/candidate/8-signs-you-love-your-job>). It is well known that the best job is doing what you are interested in. You should forget about the time and enjoy what you do. How can you know that you've found the right job? It is not always as obvious as you may think. Here are some signs that may help you:

- You don't have a lot of free time and you like it: A constant flow of new tasks doesn't annoy you. You see the results of your work. The feeling that your work is of use to someone is the best reward there can be.
- You try to become better: If you really like your job, you will always look for ways to become better at it.
- You talk about work in your free time: You cannot stop talking about your job even if it is challenging.
- You feel that the day has only started

although it's midday already: You finish a couple of small tasks, answer a couple of letters and you are ready for the serious stuff. But you suddenly notice that it's lunchtime already.

- You are inspired by the people around you: You admire the tasks that your colleagues do and you are always ready to help.
- Everything in your life is connected to your job: You like your job and see nothing wrong in thinking about it in your free time.
- You are not afraid of Mondays: Look for a job that will make you wake up with a smile every morning. Think about it, why should you spend 40 hours a week on things you don't like?

However, as much as we love our work, we must never forget or ignore opportunities to make sure that our children and grandchildren know that they are a priority in our lives!

We sometime fail to realise the impact we have on generations that follow.

Recently I received the following short story from Tom Telfer of the Rotarians on the Internet Fellowship.

Sleeping over at Grandma and Grandpa's is a magical time for our kids. Their doors swing open and our kids light up, as they are met with open arms and more love than we have the energy to give.

Food has a better flavour and the hugs are filled with excitement. They unearth chests of toys from our childhood experiencing them through their grandchildren's eyes, stay up late watching a movie and wake up early for pancakes.

Grandparents have time to feel blessed and grateful. They're present to play, to ask about the day and to melt at our kids every whim. They don't want to miss a single thing. And one day, those fun sleepovers will become restorative.

They'll visit their grandparents for reassurance, a home-cooked meal and company. And our kids will know, they always have another hand to hold.

All they have to say is, "Can I sleep at Grandma and Grandpa's?"

I have a similar story. Yesterday one of our Zambian grandsons, Daniel, came to our house

after church. He read with his grandmother, Sherry, for a while. He played catch with our labrador retriever then came into the house and sat with me while Sherry put the last touches on lunch.

I turned off the television news (to which I wasn't actually listening anyway) and opened my iPad to a puzzle game. We played several rounds and he was learning the rules well. We played for maybe 15 minutes.

Sherry called us to lunch and he chattered throughout - he was surprised that he was drinking goats' milk. After lunch his older sister came to collect him.

Later that evening his father (our eldest Zambian son) called and said that Daniel kept going on and on about playing with Papa.

Again, it had only been 15 minutes but it had been undivided quality attention.

He was not concerned about the time. He only knew that he was the centre of my attention while he was sitting at my side.

It was absolutely "Magic!"

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Dr. Patrick G. Coleman

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A Rotarian returns year after year to his homeland to help with vaccines and more



# Polio and beyond...

**Ezra Teshome**

**Rotary Club of University District of Seattle**

In 1997, Ezra Teshome travelled from his home in Seattle to a Rotary peace conference in Ethiopia, where he was born and raised.

Rotarians there were organising National Immunisation Days. In one village, Teshome met a man and his 8-year-old daughter, who had

polio. The man thought the visitors were there to cure her. He asked Teshome for help.

“For the whole day, it really bothered me that the child was crippled for the rest of her life, for the loss of two drops of vaccine,” Teshome says. “When I came back to the United States, I said, ‘I will come back every year to participate in National Immunisation Days with my Rotarian friends.’”

The next year, about 24 people came with him. Almost every year since, he’s taken anywhere from 60 to 80 people at one time to distribute vaccinations.

Ethiopia’s mountainous terrain and hot weather make transporting vaccines difficult. “When you walk three or four hours without any refrigeration system, the vaccine could start to

spoil,” Teshome says. “We have built clinics and asked people to bring their kids there.” These clinics are also equipped to meet other public health needs in the communities.

The impact of Teshome’s trips has spread in other ways too. Rotarians attending his visits have helped to instal nearly 100 water projects throughout the country, to provide 120 shelter homes and to donate ambulances.

Time magazine named Teshome a global health hero at the 2005 Time Global Health Summit. That year, Ethiopia’s national immunisation campaign reached 16 million children. Looking ahead, Teshome wants to continue providing clean water access in Ethiopia, contribute to peace in the region - and see a worldwide end to polio. - JP SWENSON

# *Healing in a Divided World*

## 2025 PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCE

Connect with others committed to peacebuilding at this special, one-time event led by Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick in Istanbul, Türkiye, 20-22 February.



Register today at  
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Members of the organising committee visiting the beautiful conference venue – The Vineyard in Cape Town. Rtn John Arvanitakis, PDG Carl-Heinz Duisberg, PDG Annemarie Mostert, PDG Ann Wright and PP Hans Mostert.

**2025 Intercountry Committee African Peace Forum heads set**

# For Cape Town

The Rotary Intercountry Committees (ICC) will hold the 2nd African Peace Forum from 25 to 27 April 2025 in Cape Town.

The ICC's mission is to promote peace, international understanding and cross-cultural awareness while engaging diversities and bridging communities. As international service is a key priority for Rotary, the ICC's efforts align with Rotary's strategic goals by fostering goodwill and peace globally.

"This remarkable alliance of business and community leaders forges powerful partnerships that transcend political and geographical barriers, ultimately fostering enduring

prosperity throughout Africa and the world," says Past District Governor Annemarie Mostert, the newly elected ICC Executive Chairperson for 2026-2028.

The journey towards this significant event began at the Zone Institute in Zambia in 2023, where, for the first time, ICCs were formalised across all 54 African countries and protocol agreements for International Cooperation and Collaboration were signed. This landmark development was followed by the first ICC African Peace Forum in Cairo in November 2023, which laid the foundation for the continent's united efforts to address its

challenges collectively.

Immediate Past District Governor Ann Wright and National ICC Coordinator Past District Governor Carl-Heinz Duisberg are enthusiastic about welcoming the ICC family to Cape Town. “We will continue to build on our success, inspiring attendees with a commitment to collaborative endeavours and reinforcing the

belief that peace in Africa is not only attainable but imperative. From Cape to Cairo!” they stated.

The upcoming forum promises to infuse attendees with renewed energy and dedication, further cementing Africa’s role in promoting peace and unity.

For more about the event, visit: [iccpeaceforum-cape-town.org](https://iccpeaceforum-cape-town.org)



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Top left: The bridge over the Usa River. Top right: A painting of Keith Stanton by a student from the Faye Cran School, capturing his lasting legacy in the community he served. Above: The construction of two schools was also funded by Keith.

# If I can help someone

Keith Stanton, a cherished member of the Rotary Club of Riccarton (D9999, New Zealand), devoted his life to supporting non-profit organisations in diverse regions including Bangladesh, Honduras, India, Nicaragua, Afghanistan, Myanmar, countries in Africa and the South Pacific. Over the past 18 years,

he became a major donor and champion for numerous initiatives in Tanzania through connections with Faye Cran (Mama Kuku) and Rotary New Zealand World Community Service (RNZWCS).

Keith's journey in Tanzania began in 2006 when he, along with RNZWCS Directors Rod

Finch, Stuart Batty, and the late JB Munro, embarked on a rigorous two-week expedition. They traversed some of Tanzania's most challenging roads and terrains to witness the impact of the Rotary Club of Arusha's (D9214) projects. Their itinerary included visits to the Upendo Rehabilitation Centre for Leprosy Sufferers, a Rural Market at Tengeru opened in 2005, Maji ya Chai Milk Processing Dairy, and numerous schools and health centres, many supported by Rotary clubs across New Zealand with a generous 4 for 1 grant from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

During this pivotal trip, Keith identified a critical need to enhance the educational environment for Tanzanian children. He observed classrooms overcrowded with up to 150 school children, starkly contrasting the more manageable 40 typically found in New Zealand. Moved by this disparity, Keith funded the construction of two new schools. The first included twelve classrooms and the Margaret Stanton preschool, named in honour of his wife. The second was established at Usa River, a location previously devoid of educational facilities. These schools significantly reduced travel times for school children, some of whom previously walked up to four hours to reach the nearest school.

The crowning achievement came with the Faye Cran Pre-Primary and Primary School, which opened in 2020. Equipped with sixteen classrooms, a kitchen and a dining room, the school mirrored the facilities found in New

Zealand schools. In its first year, the school achieved remarkable success with all school children passing the National Examinations, ranking it number 16 out of 318 schools in the region. Faye Cran expressed pride in the accomplishments of the teachers and school children, especially those from financially challenged backgrounds who could not afford school fees.

In 2022, Keith addressed another community challenge by funding the construction of a bridge over the Usa River, significantly easing the daily commute for many school children. This bridge, inaugurated on Keith's 90th birthday, symbolised his enduring commitment to improving lives. His final project, completed in November 2023, provided school toilets, enhancing the daily comfort and hygiene for school children.

Sadly, Keith passed away on 18 July 2024. The news of his passing deeply moved the community he had so passionately served. Faye Cran conveyed the community's sorrow and the response from local religious groups. Tanzania's predominant Christian community, the Lutherans, along with the Catholics, organised services to honour Keith's legacy, reflecting the profound impact of his philanthropy.

Keith often recited a verse that encapsulated his life's philosophy: "If I can help someone as I pass along, If I can cheer somebody with a word or song, If I can show somebody how they're travelling wrong, Then my living shall not be in vain."

## Share your breakout idea

Do you have an idea or a project that you want to tell the wider Rotary community about?

Breakout sessions at the Rotary International Convention can inspire participants, help them polish their leadership skills and give them new ideas for strengthening membership, projects, fundraising and more!

Help us develop a breakout programme that celebrates Rotary's diversity! You can submit

session proposals starting on 12 August and ending on 14 October.

Visit the Breakout Sessions page of [convention.rotary.org](https://convention.rotary.org) to propose your idea. Write to [conventionbreakouts@rotary.org](mailto:conventionbreakouts@rotary.org) if you have questions.

Breakout Sessions Page: <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/program-and-events/breakout-sessions>.



The Remarkable Day project supports women who are entrepreneurs with a products and services fair, workshops and lectures.

# Business boom in Brazil

Over the past decade, the number of female business owners in Brazil has grown significantly, representing a cultural shift in which women are increasingly recognised for their contributions to economic growth and societal well-being. In 2014, Brazil had about 7.9 million female entrepreneurs, most of them running small businesses, according to Sebrae, a Brazilian small business support service. By 2022 that number had surged to more than 10.3 million, with women accounting for more than 34 percent of business owners in the country, again according to a women's entrepreneurship survey by Sebrae.

To capitalise on that growth, Rotary clubs in Brazil have promoted women's empowerment through entrepreneurship. The eMe Project, founded by District 4751 (northern Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo) during the 2020-21 Rotary year, aims to instil a culture of entrepreneurship and provide women with skills to succeed in business.

The project operates a School of Women

Entrepreneurs that offers courses to foster innovation, business acumen and strategic planning. Created during the COVID-19 pandemic, classes take place online. Award and certificate ceremonies are held in person, hosted by a Rotary club. In addition, lesson videos remain available to everyone at [youtube.com/@projetoeme](https://youtube.com/@projetoeme).

The programmes for teens and adults have helped numerous people. "It was incredible," says Julia André, one of the winners from the second round of training. "The project helped me develop skills as an entrepreneur, in addition to the encouragement of the whole team, all the mentoring and lectures. Because I won, I had an incentive to help my business grow and that makes all the difference." Dalila Lanchin, another winner, adds, "It was more than a financial mentorship; it helped me to look to the future."

Every year, about 140 women enrol. Winners receive financial aid and ongoing mentoring to help scale their ventures, ensuring that the

impact of the eMe Project extends beyond the classroom. So far, 39 women have won awards and 420 people have benefited from the project.

The effort involves more than 30 volunteers connected to Rotary and 70 speakers, mentors and jury members who rank the participants' achievements and give feedback throughout the process.

Initially, the district's Rotary members promoted the learning opportunity through word of mouth in communities, schools and universities. As partners came on board, they publicised registration through social networks. The project also has its own store with mugs, shirts, keychains and pens with the eMe logo. The profits go toward maintenance of the project and its awards. The initiative has led to an unexpected benefit. Some participants, impressed by their experience, have shown interest in joining Rotary, says Thamyres Andrade, coordinator of eMe and a former Rotaract representative of District 4751.

## CELEBRATING WOMEN

Further south in Santos, another Rotary initiative put women's entrepreneurship in the spotlight. The first Notáveis Day (Remarkable Day) organised by District 4420 Rotaract clubs in partnership with public relations students, celebrated female entrepreneurs by showcasing their products, services and achievements. It included workshops, panels and lectures for the public. Roberta Schneider Cecyn, 2023-24 president of the Rotaract Club of Santos-Porto (D4420), emphasises the importance of recognising and supporting women in business through efforts like Remarkable Day. The event is an offshoot of the project Notáveis Mulheres (Remarkable Women), created by Cecyn and a friend because they felt women in their city did not receive enough recognition. The two created a workshop to instruct women and girls on issues such as physical and mental health and basic rights. According to Cecyn, the initiative promotes a social environment where women are valued and recognised.



The Rotary Club of Ipatinga provides vocational training to 70 women in vulnerable situations through its initiative Aprender para Empreender (Learning for Entrepreneurship).

## VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Starting your own business requires a solid vocational education. The Rotary Club of Ipatinga is offering vocational training to 70 women in vulnerable situations through its initiative Aprender para Empreender (Learning for Entrepreneurship). The nine-month programme provides free courses in manicure and pedicure, hairstyling, care for older people and electrical installation. The courses are offered in partnership with an educational institute.

The initiative provides psychological support and at the end of the programme the Ipatinga club supplies the women with a kit of materials to help them start working. The project partners with a school and receives funding through a global grant from The Rotary Foundation. "The main function of our club is to support these women for the next six months either in finding employment or to help with their professional development," says Maria Cândida Corrêa, coordinator of the project. "Our goal is to have at least 90 percent employed by the end of the programme."



Salla Hämäläinen (sound), Hannu Käki (camera), Marita Rainbird (director), Oge Eneh (main character) and Obi-West Utchaychukwu (supporting character).

Photo: Jukka Luoma

From Africa to Finland, a new documentary is

# Bridging worlds

After completing her Rotary Peace Fellowship at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand in 2020, Finnish author and filmmaker Marita Rainbird began a remarkable journey filming the story of Afro-Finnish artist Oge Eneh who moved to Finland from Nigeria 35 years ago. *Lost in Happyland* was released this year.

Marita, a seasoned creative producer, director and trainer from Finland, has spent 40 years working in the international media industry. Her impressive career has seen her collaborate with a variety of TV channels, media organisations and even the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. She holds an international Business Communications degree, with additional certificates in producing, multimedia scriptwriting and directing.

With a deep passion for storytelling, Marita uses her films to highlight important social issues, particularly diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). For her, DEI is not just a theme but a vital tool in peacebuilding, helping to address the roots of conflict, promote social justice and lay the foundation for sustainable peace.

Her media projects, which empower vulnerable children, women and immigrants, have touched lives across Finland, Zimbabwe, Argentina and Kenya. Marita's love for humanity and her deep curiosity about other cultures are woven into every frame of her work, especially those focused on

Africa, the continent she affectionately calls her second home.

Journalist and Rotary Peace Fellow **Gülin Eva Geloğulları** spoke to Marita about her experience as a Peace Fellow, the challenges of filming *Lost in Happyland*, the lessons she learned while living in Africa and her role as a filmmaker and mediator in peacebuilding.

**Congratulations on your recent documentary, *Lost in Happyland*. Could you please tell our readers about your film?**

*Lost in Happyland* is the story of Oge Eneh, who moved to Finland from Nigeria 35 years ago, and her search for belonging between two extremely different cultures. After 18 years as a cultural producer, Oge lost her job and found herself in a void. We blended Finnish melancholy and Nigerian humour to tell her story, showing how ageing and loneliness builds a bridge to the very core of humanity: integration – our need for love, respect and a sense of belonging while maintaining our own identity and culture.

**What were the challenges in making your recent film?**

Finland has been ranked the happiest country in the world seven times in a row. However, it is also considered one of the more racist countries in Europe. I wanted to raise awareness of these social contradictions.

In 2019, Oge contacted our production company for a book project, and I suggested making a documentary instead, since Finland's book publishing market is very limited.

The film took five years to complete, mainly due to the bureaucracy involved in convincing authorities to provide funding. There were many disruptions, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which led to budgets and funding being cut. Initially, we aimed for a 90-minute film featuring stories from Nigeria, Finland and Sweden as part of Oge's life story. However, financial challenges forced us to reduce the film to 40 minutes.

**After living and working in African countries, what wisdom did you gain from African communities?**

My first days in the slums of Nairobi were

challenging, as people assumed I was wealthy because of my European background. Later, when people learned I was working voluntarily and that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland only funded my accommodation, food and transportation, the children and their parents soon realised my priority was their well-being and protection. Over time, I built my safety network in the slums.

Everyone deserves to be respected for their humanity and dignity. By showing genuine respect, I earned the respect of others. This helped us connect on a deeper level, build good friendships and collaborate on my art and storytelling projects.

I learned to live with power cuts and water shortages as part of daily life. There was no indoor toilet. It was a life-changing experience – I valued every drop of water, handwashed my laundry and learned to cook traditional African recipes. Despite the challenges, I loved living in Africa and still want to return.

**Tell us about your project with street children in Kenya?**

One of my projects with street children was a digital storytelling project in collaboration with a local NGO. During their rehabilitation in Kibera, 16 former street children participated in our workshops. The aim was to give street children a voice in Kenyan society while promoting children's rights in Africa. I also wanted to help children develop their self-esteem, resilience, perseverance and life management skills.

**As a peacebuilder, part of your role is mediation between societies. What can African and Finnish communities learn from each other?**

Finnish society has a severe problem with loneliness, affecting both the young and old



"Hugging a tree gives me peace of mind!" Oge Eneh, in a scene from the documentary *Lost in Happyland*.

generations. People are private about faith and religion and rarely attend church. Finnish society can learn from African communities about building friendships and fostering a sense of belonging. It doesn't cost much to get together, create art and have conversations about life, spirituality and faith.

Some African cities, like Nairobi, are very high-tech and contemporary, leading to a more materialistic mindset, which can cause social isolation and loneliness. Africans can learn from Finland's experience with loneliness and work to preserve their strong sense of community. They can also benefit from Finland's approach to democracy, good governance, gender equality, social welfare and education.

**How did the Rotary Peace Fellowship in**

### **Thailand influence your creativity?**

The programme provided valuable theoretical and contextual training. Field trips to different cities and towns in northern Thailand helped me gain new socio-cultural perspectives, which eventually guided the storylines of my recent film.

**In *Lost in Happyland*, Oge says, "Hugging a tree gives me peace of mind." What gives you peace of mind?**

Nature. It is very important for our mental, physical and spiritual health.

### **How do you define peace?**

Peace is a state of mind that each of us has within. To access our inner peace, we need to connect with ourselves and nature. When we find it, peace becomes a reality.



# Education Investment

The Rotary Club of Pinetown (D9370) has invested more than R4 million to improve education in KwaNdengezi during the last decade. Through a partnership with the Rotary E-Club of South Africa One (D9370), they developed the ITEL (Intelligence Transfer Educator to Learner) system. This innovative tool provides disadvantaged schools with access to quality teachers, internet resources and study aids, similar to those enjoyed by wealthier schools, all at minimal cost. ITEL works even in schools without electricity.

The initial nine high schools equipped with ITEL saw their matric pass rate rise to an average of 81.7% last year, a 60% improvement in just a few years. This year, the Pinetown club aims to improve education in over 20 schools in KwaNdengezi, focusing on enhancing job prospects for the youth.

A recent survey of 17 high schools showed poor pass rates, with only 48.5% of learners achieving over 30% in mathematics. To address this, the club, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Durban Umhlutuzana (D9370), launched a R150,000 programme that:

- Funds a teacher to train others to use the ITEL system, focusing on maths.
- Offers free Saturday and holiday STEM (science, technology, engineering and

mathematics) classes for motivated learners.

- Uses local learning centres to train schools, teachers and learners in STEM subjects.

In addition to education, the Pinetown club supports other community projects, such as:

- **Knitters for Cold Children:** “Knit and Natter” groups, formed at retirement complexes, produce beanies, blankets and teddies.
- **Ndengetho Technical High School:** Investing over R250,000 in new equipment, helping the school achieve a 100% matric pass rate in engineering.
- **Mpolo Primary School:** Providing R150,000 over two years to help establish the school.
- **Hope House:** Allocating R20,000 to replace asbestos gutters and downpipes at this home for abandoned children.
- **Sports Initiatives:** Running a schools’ league and supporting local sports teams, investing R35,000 this year to promote life skills through sport.

These initiatives are made possible by the support of the Rotary Club of Pinetown, Pinetown Youth and Stan Raaff Trusts, along with The Rotary Foundation.



James Earl Jones at a Rotary Club of Ladysmith meeting in 1995. With him are Brad Needham and President K Haribhai.

## Dinner and a meeting with **Darth Vader...** **in Ladysmith no less!**

James Earl Jones brought many iconic characters to life in cinemas and living rooms across the globe. But nothing, as a young Rotarian, Brad Needham, from Ladysmith (D9370) discovered in 1995, prepares you for when you are sent to instal a fax machine and Darth Vader opens a door!

In my life, I've been fortunate enough to meet many famous sports personalities, but I never imagined that one day in 1995, I would find myself installing a fax machine at the Drakensberg Sun in the suite of none other than James Earl Jones, who was filming *Cry, the Beloved Country*.

We were never told who the guest was when they requested a loaned fax machine, but since it was at the Berg, I always handled the installations. It's a beautiful location, about a 75

km drive from Ladysmith.

When I knocked on the door and James Earl Jones opened it, my brain screamed, "It's Darth Vader!" Luckily, what actually came out was, "Hello, Mr Earl Jones."

He insisted I call him James and invited me in. He asked me to instal the machine next to his bed, explaining that he writes letters to his family and faxes them in the evenings. While he was still unpacking, I noticed he had a Rotary flag. You only carry that flag for one reason: to

exchange it with clubs when you travel.

Having just joined Rotary at the age of 29, I thought, why not ask? So I said, "I see you're a Rotarian. So am I, and we have our meetings every Tuesday," which happened to be the next day. "We would be honoured to have you as a guest." James replied that it would be splendid, and he'd love to attend but needed to check with the production crew. I offered to pick him up if he was able to join. I gave him my office number and left.

An hour later, I returned to Ladysmith and, when I walked into my office, my secretary handed me my messages. One simply said, "Call James at Drakensberg Sun." I asked her if the person sounded familiar, and she said no. When I told her who she had spoken to, the expression on her face was priceless.

I called him back, and James confirmed that he could come, but the insurance required that he drive with its approved driver and car. Not knowing the area, he asked if I could drive to the hotel, so they could follow us to the meeting. I had borrowed a Mercedes from a Rotary member, which I promptly cancelled, and my friend Mike and I set off in my 16v Kadett.

When we arrived, James came down and

said, "I'll drive with you so we can chat. Mike can go with the driver." I felt a bit embarrassed, thinking, "Oh no, I have a Kadett - it's fast and has leather seats, but it's not quite Hollywood style." James didn't care at all. He got in the front, and off we went.

Spending an hour driving alone with Darth Vader was surreal. James was such a gentleman; his mere presence in the room was powerful, and when he gave his speech, it was on another level. He wasn't the typical Hollywood star - there was no pretentiousness. James wanted no special treatment and seemed to enjoy the time away from the spotlight, just being one of us.

After dinner, when we returned to the Drakensberg Sun, James insisted on having coffee before we left. Sir Richard Harris, who was also in the movie, walked over from the bar. Out of respect, I stood up and greeted him. He shook my hand and said, "Thanks, my boy, but please sit down and call me Richard." It was a night I will never forget.

James Earl Jones was a man who impacted the lives of many people around the world for decades. A voice and a personality that few will forget.

May he rest in peace.





All those involved in the project to create a recreation room for the boarding establishment at a local primary school.

# From drab to FAB!

Stanford is a village about 20 minutes from Hermanus, on the way to Gansbaai in the Western Cape.

The Rotary Club of Stanford (D9350) is one of the smallest clubs in the district, with only nine members, all fully committed to serving the community to the best of their ability. Most of their time and resources are spent on a feeding scheme (the main focus in Stanford), providing blankets and warm woollies in winter and assisting school children in need with stationery and school clothes. So, when they were presented with a project that would be a lot of fun to work on as a team, they grabbed the opportunity.

In November 2023, two of the club's members met with Hilton Temmers, the Headmaster at Okkie Smuts Primary School, to discuss potential projects to undertake on the school campus. Mr Temmers shared his dream of creating a recreation room for the students who reside at the school koshuis (hostel) during the week. His vision was to have a space the children could call their own, where they could

relax, play games, be creative, read and more. Given that many Rotary members and older Stanfordians, hold a special place in their hearts for the koshuis, they eagerly embraced the opportunity to help realise this dream.

A brief history of the koshuis: The original koshuis, established in 1921, was in a house on Shortmarket Street. The children were expected to carry out chores such as cleaning their rooms, tending the garden and helping to prepare meals. In 1932, the Matron, Miss Uys, purchased the parsonage from the Dutch Reformed Church, made some alterations and moved the koshuis to its current site between the church and the school. Today, the koshuis can house up to 60 children - 30 boys and 30 girls in separate dormitories.

But back to the recreation room. Some people don't believe in coincidences, but in Rotary, they seem to happen quite often. In November 2023, Stanford was visited by a woman from Belgium, who wanted to spend the month working with children and creating something magical. After some discussion about the recreation room

dream and a few visits to the site, she raised funds in Belgium to primarily cover the cost of artists (she herself being an artist).

Meetings and brainstorming sessions were held and a plan of action was agreed upon. Local artists were invited to create murals on some of the wall space. Two large chalkboard sections were planned. Table tennis and foosball tables would be brought in, a reading corner would be established and areas for drawing, tabletop games, puzzles and activities, would also be created using some old desks that were destined for the dump. And, of course, curtains would be made for the windows.

After many months painting the murals, the team met to scrub cupboards, clean windows and floors, collect donated items and shop for what was still needed. Finally, the invitations

went out and the club was able to open this fabulous space to the children.

The initial reactions were awe, followed by excitement as the children quickly discovered specific activities and dived right in! Some played table tennis and foosball, others started drawing on the chalkboards and smaller groups were engrossed in crayons and paints. It was an absolute joy for the Rotary members to witness the delight on the children's faces. They all shook hands to express their thanks, but it was clear they couldn't wait to return to their activities.

Next steps: The club plans to create a fun outdoor space for the summer months, which will include a jungle gym, swings, soccer balls, swing ball, cricket and a variety of bat-and-ball games.



A before picture of the recreation room. Below: A mural that was painted on one of the walls. Last photo: Some of the sweet thank you letters the Rotarians received from the school children.





A distribution point on Mandela Day, prior to handing out a Jar of Hope to individual recipients.

# HOPE AND HELP

The Jar of Hope project of the Rotary Club of Potchefstroom Mooi (D9370) and King Edward Private School brought rays of hope to members of the local community this Mandela Day, when over 800 Jars of Hope were distributed, each one filled with enough dry ingredients to make eight servings of sustaining, protein-rich soup.

The Jar of Hope project runs for 67 days in winter, during which time non-perishable ingredients and glass jars are collected. The jars are then filled and labelled with instructions for making the soup. Finally, the Jars of Hope are distributed throughout the JB Marks municipality to the elderly, SASSA beneficiaries and others in need. In addition, bulk ingredients are donated to homes for the aged, orphanages and similar organisations that provide meals to their residents. The first deliveries are made early in July, with various team members continuing to make deliveries until 5 August.

Whenever possible, they capture the smiles and excitement of the recipients on camera.

True to the spirit of the local community, businesses and individuals rose to the occasion. Their generous donations enabled the Potch Mooi-King Edward team to exceed their target of 670 Jars of Hope. An impressive 840 jars, along with quantities of bulk ingredients, were distributed, providing enough to serve 9,440 nutritious meals - this number of meals would feed one person once a day for 25 years!

The project also has an educational aspect, as it is incorporated into the King Edward School curriculum, covering topics such as recycling and nutrition. In this way, the Jars of Hope initiative honours Nelson Mandela, who strongly believed in the power of education, which he famously said, "more than anything else, improves your chances of building better lives."



More than 130 Rotarians, WESSA members and supporters joined in the day's celebration.

## Vulture awareness day

The Rotary Club of Brits-Hartbeespoort (D9400) celebrated International Vulture Awareness Day (IVAD) at its Nyoka Ridge Vulture Restaurant project. The day shines a spotlight on these highly important, yet vastly misunderstood, birds – vultures.

The club, alongside project partners WESSA Northern Areas and BirdLife Harties, joined hundreds of organisers and thousands of participants who have celebrated IVAD over the years to give these guardians of nature a voice and drive meaningful conservation action. Most southern African vultures are classed as critically endangered and need

urgent intervention.

Speakers for the day were Dr John Ledger and PAG John Wesson. Dr Ledger provided a detailed account of the Cape Vultures and his work on them since the 1960s, when the first official vulture study group was formed.

John Wesson gave an insightful overview of vultures worldwide, focusing on Southern Africa's 'Old World' vultures. Attendees were treated to the sight of nearly 300 vultures coming to feed and performing spectacular fly-pasts over the heads of the onlookers.

More than 130 Rotarians and members of the public joined in the day's celebration.



Two EarlyActors and two Môreson preschoolers enjoying a story together.

# Kids helping Kids

Recently, the EarlyAct Club of Outeniqua Primary School (D9350) completed its latest community service project. EarlyAct is sponsored at primary schools by the international Rotary service organisation, with the purpose of providing young learners with an increased awareness, knowledge and understanding of their community and the world.

“Having reached out to them before, the children at Môreson Child and Youth Care Centre hold a special place in our hearts,” commented Danielle Barnard, teacher and EarlyAct coordinator at Outeniqua Primary. “We wanted to do something special for these children once again and our EarlyActors proved to be more than capable.”

Môreson traces its roots back to 1917. Based in Denneoord, George, and duly registered, it provides care for approximately 100 children aged between 3 and 18. Children are placed at Môreson by court order, often coming from backgrounds of emotional or physical abuse or neglect. At Môreson, they are allocated to one of the eight houses on the premises, in accordance with their developmental stages. A multi-disciplinary team focuses on the physical, emotional, social and educational needs of each child.

The learners at the EarlyAct club, with assistance from their parents, provided storybooks, colouring books and fruit. On 16 August 2024, 20 EarlyActors arrived at



The EarlyActors preparing for the handover.

Môreson, equipped with the supplies. After handing over the items, the EarlyAct members read stories to and played outside with the preschoolers.

“We are so proud to be associated with the Outeniqua Primary EarlyActors,” said Charles Rowe, president of the Rotary Club of George (D9350). “Their initiatives embody the leadership, compassion and community spirit our country needs.”

Môreson, being registered as a non-profit organisation and as a child and youth care centre, encourages people to get involved by volunteering, specifically assisting with schoolwork or sports, sponsoring children or being host parents for holidays or weekends. Financial contributions, birthday gifts for the children, clothing, stationery, fruit and vegetables, or items for use in the houses are also highly appreciated.



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The Anns of the Rotary Club of Helderberg (D9350) delivered a generous collection of baby items to Mama Themba, a support group in the Helderberg area for new mothers. These items will be used to provide ongoing support to local hospitals. Women who have recently given birth will receive a starter welcoming pack from Mama Themba, filled with essentials for their newborns. Present at the handover were Ann President Rejane van der Grijp, along with Anns Ingrid Edelson and Cathy Boonzaier.



In celebration of Rotary's Maternal and Child Health Month, the Rotary Club of Vanderbijlpark (D9400) assembled 60 blessing bags for newborn baby boys and girls at Sebokeng Hospital's maternity ward. AG Jackie van Waveren and Rotarian Charles Lezuko personally delivered the bags to the new mothers, ensuring each received essentials to support their babies' early days.



When Rotarian Charlie Panday of the Rotary Club of Chatsworth (D9370) heard of the chartering of the Satellite Club of Widenham Retirement Village (a Satellite Club of the E-Club of South Africa One), he offered to personally donate two wheelchairs to the club and attend a meeting with some guests. The club decided to donate one of the wheelchairs to Khanya Hospice at its first meeting. At the meeting were club President PDG Greg Cryer, Neil McDonald from Khanya Hospice and Charlie Panday.



Rotarian Mkulululi Dlamini of the Rotary Club of Amanzimtoti (D9370) presenting a cone garden to AG Logan Pillay of the Rotary Club of Chatsworth. A cone garden is a vertical garden in which soil is stacked into layers to form a cone shape - much like a tiered cake. Cone gardens allow people to increase the amount of vegetables they can grow in small spaces.



A new EarlyAct club has been established by the Rotary Club of Chatsworth (D9370). The EarlyAct Club of Alencon Primary School's members, school learners aged 5-13 years, have dived into creating and implementing projects geared towards community development and assistance. The young executive team comprises President Orlando Mbonjana, Vice-President Ruwahl Kistasamy, Secretary Haadiyah Sheik Ahmed and Treasurer Lethokuhle Chili.



District Governor Stephen Young and his wife Jackie visited the Rotary Club of Somerset West (D9350) for an enjoyable evening filled with interaction and new connections. The club was delighted to welcome nine visitors, making the evening a memorable one for all in attendance.



The Rotary Club of Beaufort West (D9350) entered two teams in the AIFA Bowls Day in July. AIFA (AVIC International Flight Training Academy) operates from the Beaufort West airport. Team Rotary 2 achieved a commendable fourth place, while Rotary 1 secured the twelfth spot out of 24 teams. Players who entered the event were encouraged to donate old clothes to the club's compassion projects. The Beaufort West club also received a donation of R5,000 for its projects fund.



Rotarians Deon Vlok, Hannes Thirion, Neels du Toit and Michael Scheun, joined by AIFA HR Manager, Vernon van Niekerk.



Johan Fourie, Base Commander of the AIFA Flying School at Beaufort West, handing over the cheque to Francois van Niekerk, President of the Rotary Club of Beaufort West.



The Rotary Club of Klerksdorp (D9370) delivered a donation of White Star Maize to Tecford Enablement Centre for the Disabled and Alabama Old Aged Home. Delivering the maize

are Joe Visser and President Brian Smith (above). On Mandela Day, the club honoured Nelson Mandela's enduring legacy by dedicating 67 minutes to community service at Bolopapelo Intermediate School in Ventersdorp. In line with Mandela's lifelong commitment to peace and social justice, the club delivered a substantial donation of porridge to support the nutritional needs of the students, many of whom depend on school meals as their primary source of nourishment. This donation ensures that learners receive the essential vitamins and minerals they need for their growth and development.





The Rotary Anns of the Rotary Club of Helderberg (D9350) made a donation to Reach for Recovery. At the presentation are Gayl Boon, Mieke MacDonald, Rejane van der Grijp, Roena de Villiers and Chris Godfrey.



Aneska Dupont, President of the Rotary Club of Amanzimtoti (D9370), has proudly shared the results of the club's request for people to donate dry soup ingredients to the "Winter Warmth Project," aimed at supporting the patients of Khanya Hospice. Khanya Hospice serves a vast area on the upper South Coast and operates as an NGO-NPO, relying entirely on the goodwill of the community it serves. The Rotary Club of Amanzimtoti has supported the hospice for several years, gaining firsthand insight into the dedicated work of the hospice's nursing staff. Aneska personally assisted in filling jars with rice, dry lentils, peas, macaroni and soup powder in layers. She also contributed fresh vegetables such as potatoes, onions and carrots, which patients can add to their pot of soup mix to create 15 litres of nutritious soup during cold winter evenings.



Gold award winners: Rheenendal Primary School.

Eco clubs from local schools were invited to participate in the inaugural Environmental Youth Symposium - Eco Science Awards, organised and supported by the Rotary Club of Knysna (D9350) and the Knysna Elephant Park. The theme, “Think Globally, Act Locally,” aimed to encourage club members to collaborate and adopt solution-orientated mindsets. Nine primary schools and three senior schools accepted the challenge. The symposium allowed students to share their ideas and projects and gain insights into the environmental initiatives of other schools. Participants also enjoyed socialising during tea and lunch breaks. The day's highlight was the supervised feeding of the resident elephants. Months of planning went into the event, and the Rotary Club of Knysna appreciated everyone involved, both on the day and behind the scenes. It was inspiring to see so many local young people committed to caring for the environment and determined to make a difference by thinking globally and acting locally.



A unique experience was provided by “bussing” to the venue on a tractor and trailer.

# 2024-25 Club Presidents



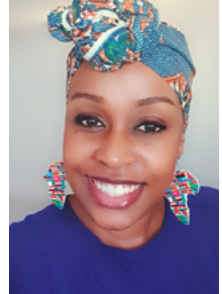
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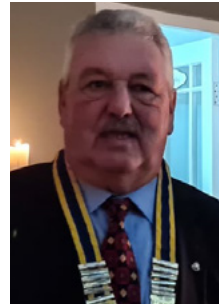
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## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the clubs that submitted photos of their new presidents. We were thrilled at how many of our southern and eastern African clubs joined the feature this year.

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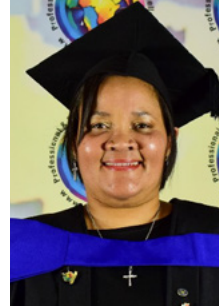
Lana Coates received a Sapphire Pin from the Rotary Club of Stanford (D9350).



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Selwyn Menyacho is a new member of the Rotary E-Club of Greater Cape Town (D9350).



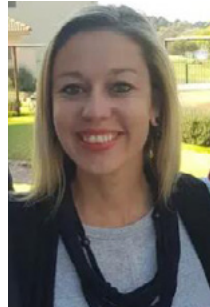
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La Mesa Rhode is a new member of the Rotary E-Club of Greater Cape Town (D9350).



Nadia Kruger is a new member of the Rotary Club of Dundee (D9370).

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