



Turning Wheels of Bulawayo Rotary Club



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A deep heartfelt thanks - love displayed

Four Club Church Service followed by a 'bring and braai' at the home of Rtn Byo South rep John Sullivans was held on Sunday 30th.

The words from DG Phil Whitehead says all that was reflected from the Bulawayo Rotary Club Rotarians that attended.

A great day, also saying goodbye to all the American/Canadian Rotary volunteers and those who didn't come missed a wonderful day of Rotary fellowship and friendship.

Pres Maureen

Thanks - Rosemary, John & Wallis, Noel and Neil, John & Marcia.

You are very special people. A big thank-you for organizing the special braai today. This was a complete surprise and I am not only touched but also warmed by the efforts you went to to make it a special occasion.

The turn-out by Bulawayo Rotarians and special effort by John and Marcia Rees from Gweru showed real commitment. Great to be so well supported.

I am equally delighted that you staged the "Four Club Church Service" today. The depth of preparation by Rev Noel Scott (Rtn of Bulawayo club) in the Order of Service and the deep message by Ft. Neil Pierce (President of Belmont Club tomorrow) was stunning and truly magnificent. I am indebted to both to them for their thoughtfulness and dedication.

On a lighter note thanks for staging the World Cup Final on an already full and satisfying day.

Love has been your expression and I am moved!

Please convey Sandy's and my thanks to all members of the four Rotary clubs. We are privileged to serve you.

Phil Whitehead

Induction Dinner-ICP Maureen Bond

The '007' Induction Dinner took place on 8th June 2002 which also happened to be our ICP birthday(!!!) at Bulawayo Club and Happy Birthday was sung to her at the beginning of the evening!

The tables were decorated in the Rotary Colours of Blue and Gold-yellow and all the Ladies present received their own yellow Rotary Rose as they came through the door.

The Club itself was decorated with 'James Bond' Posters and the Rotary Theme for 2002 being 'Sow the Seeds of Love'- seeds in heart shape scattered on the table as well.

Background music on the keyboard was provided by Joy Rensberg who volunteered her services for the evening!

A three course meal was enjoyed by all after Grace from our very own Father Odilo.

A record 80 attended - in fact we had to turn people away due to catering and seating numbers!

Master of Ceremonies PP Malcolm Ross kept the evening going in his own special way and sincere thanks go to him for all his help, support towards this gala event.

PP Chris Pool spoke on the incoming Theme of "Sow the Seeds of Love" emphasizing Rotarians' commitment to Rotary and the need for more fellowship and teamwork within our Club.

PP Charles Chiponda, in his very unique way, thanked all the guests for coming. Special guests included DG Phil Whitehead and wife Sandy, AGE Rose Hepworth and the Guest Speaker Past DG Guy Cartwright.

Guy came up especially for this Induction from South Africa where he is now residing after several months of trials and tribulations of loosing his Marandorea farm in horrific circumstances. Despite all that he has never lost his sense of humour and gave a memorable speech.

Our own Exchange Student Sipwo Ndhlovu gave us several musical renditions. Did you know that she learnt opera in America? We are all very proud of her and again grateful thanks for bringing Shirley Smith and providing us with some great songs.

The special part of the evening came with the Induction ceremony after Pres Gordon's Speech on his Rotary year and Maureen was henceforth made President - the first Lady President of Bulawayo Rotary Club. She also gave a speech talking about the Three Rotary themes in our Club, one of "Bonding" the Rotarians together, one on girl power and the power and liberation of women detailing the life of Jean Thomas Harris, Paul Harris's wife, and finally the new theme of Sow the Seeds of Love relating to all the committees in Rotary.

Finally the 'Raffle Kings', the 2 Alans, conducted their booze and Food hamper raffle and grateful thanks and well done goes to them for raising Z\$ 7200.00 which will go towards the Induction Dinner expenses.

Kingsley Dube, President Elect, for the new Rotary year finished off the evening with some inspirational words, the final toast to Rotary, to the new President and to Rotary the world over.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the evening and the Rotarians that supported the event and donated towards the raffle. (It is always disappointing that several of our members did not respond at all to the invitation or gave apologies as this is the gala event of the Rotary year.)

ICP Maureen Bond

DG Phil's Banquet – Acceptance Speech

Mr. District Governor, ladies and gentlemen, and my fellow Rotarians!

On this memorable occasion, I rise to speak with a deep sense of humility". Being elected to serve as District Governor of District 9210 is indeed an honour.

Like all great honours, this one comes with responsibilities I cannot hope to fulfill without each Rotarians assistance now and through the coming year.

The last six months have been an adventure and I have received tremendous support from RI; our District leadership and too many Rotarians to mention. The untimely death of our District Governor Nominee Peter Johnston has left us both bereft of his leadership, commitment and planning for this year ahead. I am ready to serve the District in satisfying many areas of growth and development.

How different our lives are when we really know what is deeply important to us, and keeping that picture in mind, we manage ourselves each day to be and to do what really matters most. - Stephen Covey

I know that I am following a path that has been lovingly forged by the selfless and magnificent efforts of our current and past leadership".

The chief distinguishing characteristic of leaders is Intensity of Purpose." - Brian Tracy

I pledge to you and to all Rotarians that I shall spare no effort to take up this challenge and fulfil my responsibility with dignity and integrity.

My career in Rotary spans a short 16 years, and in that time there have been countless ups and downs. Through all of these, one person has always been at my side, always ready with words of encouragement, never failing to believe in me-my dear wife, Sandy. Along with our four children, she has always been my tower of strength.

I say, let us continue to advocate Rotary's fundamental principles, the principles that have stood the test of time for almost a century.

We have set many goals. To realize them I will count on the loyalty, the devotion, and the determination of all Rotarians in this District.

It Makes A Difference

A lady noticed her husband standing on the bathroom scale, sucking in his stomach.

Thinking he was trying to weigh less with this maneuver, she commented, "I don't think that's going to help."

"Sure it will." he said. "It's the only way I can see the numbers."

"The longer I live, the more I am certain that the great difference between the great and the insignificant, is energy - invincible determination – a purpose once fixed and then death or victory." - Sir Thomas Fowell Buxton

Senior Citizens Conversing

First old man: 'You want to go for a walk?'

Second old man: 'Isn't it windy?'

First old man: 'No, it's Thursday.'

Second old man: 'Me, too. Let's go get a beer.'

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present "Seven Wonders of the World". Though there was some disagreement, the following got the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids
2. Taj Mahal
3. Grand Canyon
4. Panama Canal
5. Empire State Building
6. St. Peter's Basilica
7. China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one quiet student hadn't turned in her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many." The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help." The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:

1. to touch
2. to taste
3. to see
4. to hear

She hesitated a little, and then added

5. to feel
6. to laugh
7. and to love.

The room was so full of silence you could have heard a pin drop.

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Bulletin Judging Criteria

Total Points	100 Points
Club activities	55
Editorial contents	10
Personal sketches	10
Weekly meetings	5
Ann's Inner Wheel	
Spouse's news	10
Committee news	15
Diary	5
Rotary general	30
Inspirational content	10
Rotary information	15
District news	5
Readability	15
Humour	5
Literary style	5
Quality of layout	5