



## Groaner

A magician was on stage doing his act, when he called for a volunteer from the audience. A man volunteered & went up on stage. The magician told him to pick up the 16 lb. sledgehammer that was on stage next to a cement block & break the block apart with the sledgehammer, so the audience would know the sledgehammer was real. So, the man swung the sledgehammer with all his might & shattered the cement block. The magician now told the man to hit him square in the face with the sledgehammer. Horrified, the man said, "No way. It'll probably kill you". The magician insisted that the man hit him in the face, saying, "I'll be fine...I promise you...go ahead." "Well," the man replied, "OK, here goes." Again, the man swung the sledgehammer and aimed it at the magician's face. He heaved it as hard as he could and struck the magician, knocking him flat on the ground. After 6 months in a coma in the hospital, the magician was lying in the hospital bed. One eye opened, the fingers flexed a bit, the other eye opened, and the magician sat straight up and said, "Ta-da!"

## Jest a Minute

A woman goes to her social worker all black and blue. "Oh, my God! What happened?" he asks. "I don't know what to do. Every time my husband comes home drunk on dollar beer night he beats me to a pulp." "I have a solution to that problem," the social worker says. When your husband comes home drunk just take a glass of sweet tea and start swishing it in your mouth, but don't swallow. Just keep swishing and swishing until he goes to bed." Two weeks later the woman goes back to the social worker to thank him for his help. "That was a brilliant idea. Every time my husband came home drunk I swished with sweet tea. I swished and swished, and he didn't touch me once!" "You see how much keeping your mouth shut helps?"

# ROTARY CLUB OF TEMORA

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### President's Message

The following thought-provoking article is taken from Frank Deaver's Peace Editorials and is titled - 'World Understanding Starts at Home'. What does this Editorial say to us in the Rotary Club of Temora, during the third week of 'World Understanding' month?

*"Our world is full of minorities. There are racial and ethnic minorities, there are religious minorities, there are political minorities, and many more. Rotarians also constitute a minority. Of the more than six billion people in the world, our number is only a little more than 1.2 million. What makes Rotarians different is that we are a distinctly privileged minority. Most Rotarians are among the one percent of people in the world who have a college education or who own a computer. In our comfortable homes, we are far richer than the 80 percent who live in substandard housing. With food enough to eat, we are healthier than the 50 percent who suffer from malnutrition. With the ability to read and write, we are more employable than the 70 percent who are illiterate. We are all too often the victims of a lack of understanding, or perhaps more accurately, of misunderstanding. We give to the Rotary Foundation, but we are only minimally aware of how our contributions are spent. We speak of Rotary's humanitarian programs, but we know too little about the plight of the recipients. The life of a Rotarian is in many ways too comfortable. Too few of us have had opportunity to personally witness the poverty and misery of the world's majority. Perhaps we have not even been exposed to the homeless, the illiterate, the oppressed, within our own communities. Perhaps our daily commute from comfortable home to comfortable office fails to take us through "that part of town." In truth, we need not look to distant lands to find the minority among us, the unfortunate ones who lack even the basic necessities of life. They are virtually on our doorsteps, and the fact that they so often remain invisible is as much our fault as theirs. This month, dedicated to World Understanding, offers to Rotarians a challenge to introduce one minority (ours) to other minorities (those who are in need). What we may come to understand is that there is more opportunity for service in our own communities than we realized. ...*

*Rotarians ... in every community throughout the Rotary world, could embrace the philosophy of Stephen Grellet, French-American advocate for reforms in hospital and prison conditions:*

*"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good things, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show a fellow being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."*

*World understanding is a noble and worthy Rotary goal, but it does not begin on the other side of the world. It begins where we are. It begins at our very doorstep."*

By: Frank Deaver

Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa, Alabama USA

23 August 2007

President Mary

# Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> February 2011

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## DUTY LISTINGS

	21 February	28 February	7 March
<b>Fellowship Duty</b>	Michael Regan	Peter Sinclair	Neville Thompson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Peter Sinclair	Peter James	Max Maggs
<b>Donor</b>	Ian Ross	Arthur Wallace	Peter Glasgow
	Stephen Cooke	Rod Lovering	Rob Hartwig

**Please arrange a replacement if you cannot do listed duty**  
**Guest speaker** to be introduced by the **Fellowship Officer**  
Sale of raffle tickets performed by **Duty Officer**

## Theme for February: World Understanding CLUB CALENDAR

### February

- 21 RYPEN Participants - ADG Con Bunnick
- 28 Brad Storm. Youth Exchange Student back from Germany

### March

- 3 PolioPlus Screening of "Conviction" at Young
- 7 Club Assembly
- 14 TBA
- 28 Bar service at Antique Aircraft event at Temora Aviation Museum

### May

- 7 Temora Aviation Museum Mess Hall

### **SPECIAL MENTIONS** (15-21 February)

**Birthdays** Sandra Harper 21<sup>st</sup>

**Wedding Anniversaries:** NIL

### **HINT**

If you or someone in your household suffers an injury, and you don't have an ice-pack handy try this: Fill a glove with water, tie a knot at the end, and toss in the freezer for an instant ice pack!  
Rubber gloves are great for cleaning blinds. Slip on a pair of rubber gloves and then slide your hands through each slat. The dust particles will cling to the glove, leaving your blinds dirt-free! Pull 'em off over the trash and shake the dirt right into the trash can.

Help increase Club vibrancy

Is our club fun, energetic, or diverse? Is it open to new ideas? The new Club Leadership Plan poses these questions, and it challenges you to evaluate our club's traditions. The RI Strategic Plan includes innovation and flexibility as key components of a strong club.

When you open Be a Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan (pdf), see which of the recommended best practices your club is already doing and which ones could be used to increase its vitality. This quick guide includes questions, ideas, and resources to help your club be everything you want it to be.

## DISTRICT 9700 GROUP 4 (Our Group) COMBINED

### MEETING/CHICKEN & CHAMPERS MOVIE NIGHT In support of POLIO PLUS THURSDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2011 at Southern Cross Cinema, Young

Fellowship 6.30pm Meal 7.00  
pm Movie 8.00 pm

**THE KING'S SPEECH:** Running  
Time 1 hr 51 mins. Review by Mali Elfman,  
ScreenCrave



There's not much to say about this film — other than so far, this is the best screenplay, with the best performances in the best film of the year. That's all! The best piece of advice I can give you is to go and see this film as soon as you possibly can. This film is the whole package, every part of it from the tiny

details about driving through fog to the grand speeches given by a King declaring WWII to the necessary comedic swearing that helps the King overcome his stutter — everything in this film is perfectly executed. Colin Firth, who rightfully was nominated for an Oscar and won a Golden Globe and Independent Spirit Award for his role in *A Single Man* last year, is set to win that golden statue this year. Don't let people tell you about this film, go and see it for yourself.

World water Day – 22 March

**International World Water Day is held annually on 22 March as a means of focusing attention on the importance of freshwater and advocating for the sustainable management of freshwater resources.**

An international day to celebrate freshwater was recommended at the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED). The United Nations General Assembly responded by designating 22 March 1993 as the first World Water Day.

Each year, World Water Day highlights a specific aspect of freshwater. On this page, we present a brief overview of the different themes that have been the focus of World Water Day celebrations of World Water Day celebrations.

This is the first time in human history that **most of the world's population live in cities: 3.3 billion people** ...and the urban landscape continues to grow.

**38% of the growth** is represented by expanding **slums**, while the city populations are increasing faster than city infrastructure can adapt.

**The objective of World Water Day 2011** is to focus international attention on the impact of rapid urban population growth, industrialization and uncertainties caused by climate change, conflicts and natural disasters on urban water systems.

This year theme, *Water for cities: responding to the urban challenge*, aims to spotlight and encourage governments, organizations, communities, and individuals to actively engage in addressing the defy of urban water management

### **TRIVIA**

If you have static-y hair you can temporarily fix it by rubbing a dryer sheet over it, starting from your part and going downward of course. And it smells good too! Or try different conditioners, your hair could just be rebelling against a certain kind.



**Apologies:** Jim Gunn, Kevin Harper, Peter James, Max Maggs, Doug Smith,

**Leave:** Terry Wright

**Correspondence:** Careflight magazine

Notice re District Conference in Orange on 1 April

Australian Rotary Health Research Fund – Hat Day on Monday 20 May – everyone to wear a hat

Riverina Division of General Practice re 1 July when Medical locals are formed

Nigel Judd requesting leave of absence from 21 February to 7 March inclusive (Approved)

**Reports:**

**Arthur Bradley** reported that \$38.50 had been collected for the flood appeal And a total of 165 phone books have been sold from the stall outside Miller & James

It was agreed that the flood appeal should cease

**Ian Ross** reported that RYPEN Speakers would be next week's guests

**Neville Thompson** advised that Pride of Workmanship night is 1`4 March and nominations are needed for the evening.

**Tony Sinclair** reported that the Golden Gift activity went off well with a good group of Rotarians as Marshals. Ken English from the NSW Amateur Athletic Association said it was well organised and the competitors loved it with no traffic and good surroundings for the Triathlon on Sunday. He also advised that the Rural Museum Open Day is coming up on 12 March when marshals will be needed

**Ian Ross** advised that he is aiming for 15 March for Bowelscan

The Assistant District Governor has sought information and photographs of the club in action. Arthur Bradley has supplied the photographs

**Treasurer (Keith Anderson):**

Dinner fees collected \$368, expenses \$345.

**Guest speaker Les Barrass** (a charter member of Rotaract at Lake Cargelligo and again at Condobolin said there are now 16 Chaplains from all churches in NSW servicing the area of mental health. He covers 100,000 kilometres each year in his caring activities. He spoke of the court chaplains, the juvenile justice chaplains, the street ministry and said he has a focus on suicide and suicide prevention. It can be very hard to identify people at risk, when people have decided there is no one who can help them and there is nowhere they can turn. It is hard for them to remember when everything was good. Their mood is often upbeat and after a suicide everyone says why did this happen. He advised that you should never

**LAST MEETING OF 7<sup>th</sup> February**

**Attendance:** 77%

lend a firearm to anyone – no matter what the reason. He said one man had borrowed a rifle to go rabbit shooting and used it on himself. Actually someone who is considering taken their life is actually crying out for help. But they will hide it well. But if you suspect someone is not themselves, you can ask if they are contemplating suicide. As you will get a direct response from them and open the doors to help them. If you ask you could save a life. If there is a big emotional or spiritual break down you can also ask them if they are contemplating suicide, Then get them to where they can be protected – like a hospital or a police station,. Les said there were 2,000 deaths a year from suicide – more than the road toll.

### **World Water Day**



On 22 March, World Water Day, Rotary clubs and districts honor their commitment to promoting sustainable access to fresh water worldwide. Each year, World Water Day focuses on a different water issue. This year's theme is "Water for Cities: Responding to the Urban Challenge." Rotarians are in a unique position to advocate for clean water locally as well as globally. Rotary clubs in every part of the world engage in water projects and are looking for partners. Many resources are available to guide

your club or district in an effective, sustainable water project:

- The UN-Water website provides more information about World Water Day and its global events.
- The UN-HABITAT Water and Sanitation Program works to reduce the number of people without access to safe drinking water by half by 2015.
- The World Health Organization focuses on a variety of water-quality, sanitation, and hygiene interventions.

UNESCO organizes educational events and conferences dedicated to water issues.

### **Celebrate World Malaria Day**

If your club is interested in fighting disease, consider celebrating World Malaria Day on 25 April by getting involved in a malaria prevention project. Malaria is a potentially fatal yet preventable disease that annually kills more than one million people and infects over 500 million. It is commonly transmitted by mosquitoes, but mosquito nets provide a safe, affordable, and effective form of disease prevention. They are designed to protect individuals from disease-carrying mosquitoes by creating a barrier that the

insects cannot permeate. Insecticide-treated mosquito nets not only provide protection but also kill mosquitoes in the process, benefiting the community at large. While mosquito nets can help in many situations, they are generally used at night, as mosquitoes tend to be more prevalent at dawn and dusk. Four people can sleep under one insecticide-treated bed net for four to five years.

### ***The Phone call***

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A cellular phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands-free speaker function and begins to talk. Everyone else in the room stops to listen.

MAN: "Hello"

WOMAN: "Hi Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?"

MAN: "Yes."

WOMAN: "I'm at the shops now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only \$2,000. Is it OK if I buy it?"

MAN: "Sure, go ahead if you like it that much."

WOMAN: "I also stopped by the Lexus dealership and saw the new models. I

saw one I really liked."

MAN: "How much?"

WOMAN: "\$90,000."

MAN: "OK, but for that price I want it with all the options."

WOMAN: "Great! Oh, and one more thing... I was just talking to Janie and found out that the house I wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$980,000 for it."

MAN: "Well, then go ahead and make an offer of \$900,000. They'll probably take it. If not, we can go the extra eighty-thousand if it's what you really want."

WOMAN: "OK. I'll see you later! I love you so much!"

MAN: "Bye! I love you, too." The man hangs up.

The other men in the locker room are staring at him in astonishment, mouths wide open.

He turns and asks, "Anyone know who's phone this is?"