

# **TURNING WHEELS OF BULAWAYO ROTARY CLUB**

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## **From the President**

### **Bulawayo Rotary Clubs bring hope to Cyclone Eline Victims!**

Hope may be the biggest contribution the Rotary clubs of Bulawayo made to the victims of Cyclone Eline in Matabeleland South. Just over four weeks ago, Bulawayo Clubs in conjunction with the Lions Club of Matopos, The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints Charities, Bulawayo City Council and the public came to the rescue with food, clothes, and other emergency aid.

It was nice to see one of Rotary's principles in action, 'Credibility'. It gave Rotary a good image and great support from the community, enabling Rotarians to provide rapid response relief to flood disaster victims in Beitbridge. Our community Services Director PP Eric and I visited flood victims in Beitbridge rural areas to witness the devastation first hand. There will be a need for long term help for victims who have lost homes, and crops that have been destroyed. There is need to rebuild and replant. Long term supplies to be considered are seed packs, building materials, whilst libraries need to be restocked with books.

Our District Governor Eric Marques, and District Governor of 9250 Peter Keen have made an appeal to RI President Carlo Ravizza. This will enable the 530 Rotary Districts World Wide to provide monetary and material assistance to Zimbabwe, Mozambique, and South Africa, to continue helping the flood victims in our district.

Continuity is one of the principles of Rotary. It requires us to promote consensus building among our communities and our families, and focus on projects that meet real community needs, for example Flood Disaster Victims.

Fellow Rotarians, there is a need for us to come up with a long term plan to help meet community needs of the flood victims. This will require the commitment of every individual Rotarian in Bulawayo in particular, and in district 9210 in general.

It was wonderful to see the spirit of service and fellowship throughout the Bulawayo Rotary Clubs and the public at the peak of the flood disaster. Last but not least, I would like to thank our Rotary Anns for showing us how to live and work in accordance with the ideals of Rotary. Their dedication and consistency in manning collection points at the City Hall enhanced the image and gave credibility to Rotary providing a more human situation to Matabeleland flood victims. Well done Rotary Anns!

## **THE FOUR WAY TEST**

***IS IT THE TRUTH?***

***IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?***

***WILL IT BUILD GOOD WILL AND BETTER FRIENDS?***

***WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?***

### **From The International Committee Activities**

**Scholarships:** PP Laurie Bond reported that all applications had been passed to Rtn Norman Maphosa who is in direct correspondence with Rtn Steve Kruger in Australia who is sourcing scholarships for destitute school children.

**Group Study Exchange:** A team from S. California will be visiting in May. An inter club presentation will be held on 17th May at CBC. Hosts have volunteered for 4 of 6 visiting team members.

**E.D. Program:** Started again at Milton Junior School on 15 March 2000. Members of E.D. Team reported that examinations are going well. However the team will need some equipment from the next medical container.

This committee feels that when the containers arrive our doctors should be present during unpacking to assist with the distribution, and all interested Rotarians should be kept on standby when containers are expected.

**Matabele Schools projects:**

**Sengezani School** - handed back to Rotary in Harare.

**Nejambezi School** - roof put in place and scholarship forms have been received.

**Mzimuni School** -completed, matching grant to be closed by RC Epping.

**Doug Ante's Project:**

Container was unpacked at Rtn. J. Bonett's warehouse, containing goods for 8 schools. Doug is applying for another grant and will be back in June.

**Glenn Flaten** - Sixty four 3H drip feed units have been installed.

**Rtn Ralph Morgan's From Canada's Projects:**

Ralph is to revisit in June with more matching grants. He needs some of our clubs existing matching grants closed before the new ones can be granted. He is bringing Z\$ 1.000.000 for his rural school projects.

**Deli Primary School:** Books have been supplied by Ralph Morgan, and funds for repairs and furniture.

**Dopi Primary School** Furniture and signs supplied by Rtn Ralph. Benches and tables required.

**Ft Usher Primary School: Furniture and signs supplied. Fencing required.**

**Gumede School: Furniture and sign board supplied. School partially fenced. Two dangerous classrooms demolished. Rtn Ralph Morgan is to fund repairs.**

**Lumene School: Money received and more is expected from Ralph Morgan.**

**Mambanji School: Building of dam, toilets, teachers' room and repairs completed.**

**Manezwa Chili And Water Reticulation Program: Waiting for the Canadians to assist with the pump and reticulation.**

**Manezwa Pre School: Books and toilets supplied.**

**Manezwa Primary School: Benches and books supplied.**

**Matshosa Primary School: The situation not known at present, and we are waiting for Ralph's return.**

**Nyamandhlovu Primary School: Books have been supplied, and renovations are in progress.**

**Nyamandhlovu Clinic: Furniture and medical equipment supplied.**

**San People School: Equipment, furniture and seeds supplied.**

**Tokwe Primary School: Benches, furniture and sign posts supplied. More furniture required.**

**Other Projects:**

**Rural libraries and resources program. There is an offer for support of this program as long as Rotary Clubs can support it from this end.**

**From Our Ann's: Rotarians and Anns were particularly saddened by the passing of our dear Irene Rhoades, we have happy memories of Irene, and our Rotarian Les who was attendance officer before Ronnie Clark. The Anns had a good meeting this month, with a most interesting speaker.**

**Editorial Comment: Thank you President Elect Chris for producing a News Letter for the six months up to the end of the second millennium. This one covers the first three months of the third millennium, and I also thank Rotarians Maks Maksimovich, and Jasmina Ilic for the production of these Bulletins. I hope to give you a monthly news letter from here on in. If you have any snippets or news or jokes, please share them through this your news letter.**

**Events Held This Month: As always Rotarian Gordon Geddes keeps us in excellent speakers. You can only have quality Rotary meetings, if you have quality speakers! Thank you Gordon! And (my English master just turned over in his grave as I start a sentence with that word) She has done it again, our indomitable Chair of Fellowship. A full house at our Fellowship breakfast, and supported by all the Clubs. To those turned away, its your fault. Next time pay and book early.**

**Pause For Thought: Particularly for Zimbabweans in these difficult times:**

When you walk through a storm,  
Hold your head up high,  
And don't be afraid of the dark,

Walk on through the wind,  
Walk on through the rain,  
Though your dreams be tossed and torn

At the end of the storm,  
There's a golden sky,  
And the sweet silvery song of the lark,

Walk on, walk on,  
with hope in your heart,  
And you'll never walk alone.

**March 2000 Attendance**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Month %</b>	<b>Ytd %</b>	<b>Excused Attendance</b>
Barbour C.	60	94	Kadey L.
Bond L.	100	100	Lawrence G.
Bond M.	80	98	Katz B.
Bonett J.	100	94	Manyoba C.
Chiponda C.	100	93	WEEGER Fr. O.
Clark R.	60	93	WHITAKER G.
Cooper A.	80	65	
De Souza A.	100	100	CLUB AVERAGE SENT TO DG.
Dlamini J. C.	100	72	
Downing A.	70	62	TOTAL MEMBERS 40
Dube K.	60	85	(EXCEPT HONORARY MEMBERS)
Geddes G.	100	90	
Ilic J.	100	80	NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD 5
Lazarus C.	0	60	
Mac Donald M	90	38	
Maibvisira E.	70	45	
Maksimovic P	100	93	
Maphosa N.	60	38	
Milic S	100	80	
Mladenovski J.	100	62	
Morar B.	0	8	
Munyoro N.	0	28	
Mwete C.	70	76	
Naik M.D.	100	100	
Ncube N.	40	50	
Peters T.	100	55	
Pool C.	80	76	
Rensburg E.	100	100	
Ross M.	60	95	
Scott L.	0	70	
Scott Rev N.	100	95	
Siwela P.	0	30	
Stipinovich J.	60	71	
Vaghmaria S.	40	93	
Wheeler R.	0	33	
Williams A.	80	70	