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Club meetings

Mondays at 12.30

pm (except public

holidays)

Sudima Hotel

1000 Eruera Street,

Rotorua.

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to apologise if

unable to attend.



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday 4 July 2016

President's Pen

Tuesday was an awesome night for us all. For me it begins a year that will be special and a new experience. I am thankful to a number of Past-Presidents who have come and encouraged me. Also my four fellow Presidents of Rotary Clubs in Rotorua (all women) have also been very supportive as I have with them.

It is going to be a year with some important events. The thrust to end polio in the world is a vital one. I hope to encourage all five Clubs to combine in a city-wide programme to raise as much funding as we can.

Rotary's public profile will also be enhanced by a combined media effort. So be prepared for enquiries from your business associates who may want to join Rotary as they see what we are really all about.

The key to my year is not to try to run things but to be an encourager for each Committee Director and their teams. I plan to be as involved as I can. As each Committee plans their programme I would like to see a positive response from each Club member. We need to be active as Rotarians or we will miss the personal satisfaction that comes from serving. As we get older it is not easy to be active but we can still be encouraging and share our wisdom as decisions for service projects are made.

I would also like to see more women involved in our Club. I really appreciate the ones we have. They bring a dimension into service which adds to the mosaic. Along with some younger members we can make our service for the community much more meaningful and satisfying.

My background as a pastor has been a very varied one. I hope I can bring to the leadership of the Club some of the qualities of service that I have developed in my own life over 50 years in ministry. I promise I won't preach, but I will do my best to encourage, show understanding and compassion and help each member to enjoy the programme that Rotary has to offer, just as I have found it answers my own need to serve my community in a practical way.

I am a person who is governed by my heart. It is people focused. Juleen and I have spent years doing practical community health education programmes so we like to work where the needs are. Working with children and youth has also been strong on our agenda. So you can see how my 39 years of involvement with Rotary fits my lifestyle choice very closely.

So, here's to a very positive year ahead. Journey with me and let's see what the year will bring for the good of our community, and for our own personal satisfaction.

President Allen

Notices and Reminders

Paul Harris Fellow Award

President Ray presented Peter Spurdle with a Paul Harris Fellow Award at Changeover on Tuesday night. Peter is a long standing members of the Rotary Club of Rotorua having joined in September 1990 – over 25 years. Over these years, Peter has held many different positions in the club including President in the 2003/2004 Rotary year. Peter organised his fellow Rotarians in walking the 2004 Rotorua Marathon to raise money in the gift against the resurgence of polio.

It was a great night for Peter, Robyn, their son Paul and daughter Laura and granddaughter Hazel. Congratulations from us all P.P. Peter (PHF).

Ideas for District Grant

President Allen would like the Club to make an application for a Rotary Foundation District Grant. Last year this grant was used to provide a defibrillator for Reporoa. Any ideas for a project of this year to President Allen, please.

Rotary Charity Lunch

Russell Burton has been elected as a Trustee of the Trust that will organise the second Rotorua Rotary Charity Lunch to be held on 11 November 2016. The first event raised about \$100,000 for charity last year, when our Club was not a participant. Russell will be looking for support from the members of our Club, and we will be able to nominate charities to receive gifts from this event.

Civic Bonding

You are invited to share a drink and a chat with other members of the Club and their spouses at the CT Club in Moncur Drive at 5.30 pm on Friday afternoon.

Birthday this coming week

Garth Wilson (6 July)



From the previous meeting

Quote for the new Rotary year

Start by doing what is necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible. – Saint Francis of Assisi.

Guest speaker: Carmen Schöberl, IYE student from Austria

During my exchange year in New Zealand I stayed with four host families: the Simmonds, the Van Wyks, the Dales and the Turners. All of them showed me new things in four so different ways and I appreciate that all of them coped with me for quite a long time. I was able to see so many things. I went to the Coromandel and walked up Mount Pauanui; to Cathedral Cove to take a topless photo (from the back); and for a swim at New Champ's Beach. In the Waikato I was able to take photos with the L&P Bottle; go to a Chiefs Game; and visit Hobbiton twice. I went sand surfing in the dunes near Cape Reinga, stood at the most northern point of the country and saw where the Tasman Sea meets the Pacific Ocean. One of the biggest highlights of my exchange was definitely the South Island Trip. Fourteen other exchange students from District 9930 and I travelled for 19 days from Wellington with the ferry to Picton, with our own little bus down the West Coast to Dunedin and then on the east coast up to Christchurch. We went kayaking and jet boating and I did a 134 meter bungy jump. I ran up the steepest street in the world and tasted the famous Fergburger in Queenstown before walking into the scariest House of Horrors in the Southern Hemisphere. I walked the Milford Track where there were some barriers - from a tummy bug to broken shoes to a twisted ankle. Added to this I had a huge bruise in my eye; it looked as if the blood would start coming out of my eye at any moment. I could not wear my contact lenses, and my glasses had broken the previous day. So I walked the Milford Track more or less blind. I am thankful for everything that has happened to me; for every single new experience; for every task I have learned; and most importantly for every person I met. My four host families are really important to me, but especially my first family who have become my Kiwi family.

I call them Mum and Dad and I have a brother and sister who treat me as if we have been siblings for all our lives. A big thank you to the Rotary Club of Rotorua, to President Ray and my Counsellors Barbara and Fergus Cumming. All of you supported me a lot during my exchange and made everything possible and easier. I am grateful for every Club Member and every smile during Monday meetings. I hope you won't forget me too easily. I will stay in touch and I promise to come back one day.

Duty Roster

If you cannot do your duty, please arrange a replacement and advise
Sergeant Peter Spurdle on 027 7787353 or spurdle.family@xtra.co.nz

Club speakers to advise Margriet on theronm@yahoo.com if they require the data projector.

	4 July 2016 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel	11 July 2016 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel
Guest Speaker	Lisa Berndt Understanding Stress	Dennis Neilson Update of the Forest Industry
Introduction	Russell Burton	Doug Clemens
Vote of thanks	Denis Marriner	Ian McDowell
President's table	John Powell	Richard Pryce
Club speaker	Peter Spurdle	Perry Stevens
Fellowship/badges	John Heaton	Tony Hill
Quote of the week	Richard Pryce	Bruce Rykers
Fining officer	Fergus Cumming	Russell Dale

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

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Changeover Night – Tuesday 28 June 2016

From the left: President Allen, Past President Ray, Lisa
(Exchange student from Finland – Carmen's best friend),
Carmen Schoberl (Our exchange student from Austria),
Carmen's host family, Pam and Arthur Turner.

