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EDITORIAL

By Francois van Eeden

CHILD SOLDIERS IN AFRICA.

I dearly love children and having done National service in the early 1980's I really have a problem with the use of children in war situations. I know that we all disagree with this but nothing much is currently being done to prevent it from happening in Africa. Up to 6000 children have been enrolled by warring militias in the Central African Republic according to a senior official of the United Nations.

The United Nations Childrens Agency has repeatedly sound the alarm about the way in which youngsters are being forced to become part of the armed groups in the conflict ravaged country. The Central African Republic has been plagued by instability since a coup by Seleka, a rebel coalition, which ousted Pres. Bozize in March this year. You will remember that South African Forces were involved in a fire fight earlier this year. Many expressed their dismay in that the rebels used children in these fights. The rebel force who are now in charge of the country still stage attacks and robberies against opposing forces and the civilians. Many children are part of these armed gangs who commit these deeds.

I think I speak for everyone when I say that children should be loved and cared for. Unfortunately in the Central African Republic they are regarded as soldiers running around with an AK47 and rocket launchers in their hands. It is important that something is done to prevent this from happening. We all want to see our children safe, in a class room, preparing for their future.

MEETING OF 28 NOVEMBER 2013

ATTENDANCE

Membership: 27
Present: 15
Make Ups: 6
Apologies: 7
Attendance: 77%

Rotarian visitors: Dottie Leveque (Onatario, LA), Alan McDonald (Mt Edgecombe) & Lisa Diefenderfer (Durban).

Attendance to Biffy 082 468 7504 or aecon.e@mweb.co.za.

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

The Business Meeting was preceded by President Karen and President Alan McDonald swapping banners.

Biffy took a slot asking for members to attend the Uncle Paul Charity Evening on 5th December. A list of names was sent around.

The International toast was made by Lina, who toasted Rotary Club Budapest-City.

Our two visitors from KZN – Alan and Lisa – both commended the spirit, the enjoyment, and the overwhelming commitment of the club.



The business meeting minutes will be circulated to members of the Wynberg Rotary Club.

PROGRAMME

December 2013	Committee: Knight, Bredenkamp, Cleveland, Munday, Orsmond, van Eeden
1 December	World AIDS Day
5 December	Uncle Paul's Charity Evening
12 December	Fun/ Christmas meeting (gifts and no speaker). <i>WRC is 64 years old today!!</i>
16 December	Day of Reconciliation
19 December	No meeting
21 December	Uncle Paul's Final Evening
January 2014	Committee: James, Danckwerts, Schreiber, Smith, Williams, Lidgley
9 January	Business meeting - Rotary info. Meeting
16 January	Simisha Pather: 'Energy and Sustainable Development'
23 January	Kathryn Hoeflich: Indian Ocean tsunami warning centre
30 January	Social

February 2014	Committee: Barnard, Bird, Hovstad, Michalowsky, Wetmore, Jackson, Schonegevel
6 February	Business meeting
13 February	Interact evening
20 February	Wendy Dias “Anti-Counterfeiting and Security.”
27 February	Elizabeth Daly – Public knowledge and stormwater quality in Cape Town: implications for management.

DUTY ROSTER

DUTY	5 December	12 December	9 January ➔ 2014	16 January
Sergeant	 <p>UNCLE PAUL'S CHARITY EVENING</p> 	Schreiber	Todd	Cleveland
Attendance Officer		Danckwerts	Danckwerts	Danckwerts
Wynpress Editorial		Vivian	Barnard	Bird
Minutes for Wynpress		Wetmore	Cleveland	Danckwerts
Compilation of Wynpress		Danckwerts	Wetmore	Cleveland
Door Duty		van Wyk	Howard	Barnard
Grace		van Wyk	Williams	Van Niekerk
Loyal Toast		Mr Todd	Van Wyk	Howard
International Toast		Smith	Van Eeden	van Wyk
Speaker Introduction		TBA	TBA	James
Speaker Thanks		Murphy	Smith	Todd

JACKPOT:

The Jackpot sits at over R1400.00 and there are 38 cards left languishing in the pack. Jackie's name was drawn by Dottie and all she managed to find was the 5♥. Attendance swindled by Mr Todd.

PRESIDENT'S QUOTES

'Shame is the demon that keeps many of us trapped in our pain: healing comes when we gain the courage to confront our demons.' J'son M Lee, One Family's AIDS.

'Words have a magical power. They can bring either the greatest happiness or deepest despair: they can transfer knowledge from teacher to student: words enable the orator to sway his audience and dictate its decisions. Words are capable of arousing the strongest emotions and prompting all men's actions.'

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Shaun and Debbie on the arrival of Jennifer Lawrence on 19 November.



Dottie and Biffy being recognised for the work they have done with Isiphiwo Primary School in Khayelitsha. Dottie has been involved with the school since 2003 and Biffy since 2006.

TAILPIECE



PS

News from Sarah: your e-mails are always like sunshine to me Austin definitely has an impressive CV It sounds like you will have a great scholar on your hands. I have to say I am jealous of him being in Cape Town - he's going to have a great time.

And what great news about Steve being president, I know he's going to be wonderful at it! Tell him I said congratulations.

In terms of what has been going on with me, I am going to start a part-time job working with at-risk children and their families. I also am volunteering with violence prevention organizations out here. It's not much, but it's a start. I am trying to build up a network here, but the process is extremely slow. I also am still adjusting to being back - the weather is getting colder and I miss you and Cape Town a lot. At least I have my friends and family here, though, and I am grateful to be around them. All in all, I have my ups and downs, but like you said, things are fine and life keeps going.

News from Dottie: Arrived home last night. No problems! I've been cutting through the accumulated mail, unpacking, and enjoying a quiet, but active morning! Thank you SO MUCH for all of the experiences you and your Wynberg colleagues shared with me! All in all, it was a wonderful month!
