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Welcome to 2010-11

Welcome to the new year. I am honored to be your new Bulletin Editor and I would like to thank David Heuberger for his past 3 years of work. I have big shoes to fill.

With this role, I aim to bring important information to the members, both from within our club, and from overseas. I hope to stimulate you and remind you of why we are Rotarians and how we do good things in the world and to our local communities. Most of all I hope that the bulletin does not turn into a paper aeroplane (I know I did a couple of times), a doodle pad, or a piece of origami.

On with the show, this it!
 Larry

The inauguration of Jan Hill—President 2010-11

Last week saw the inauguration of our first female president this century, Jan Hill. The event was held at the London Tavern, where the guests, dressed in their finest, were treated to a fabulous night of entertainment.

David Heuberger, our MC, kicked off the night with addresses from our DG Ivan, followed by our outgoing president Sam Binstock. Sam highlighted our past year (pew, it was busy) and thanked his team and his wife, Joyce, for a job well done.

Sam's final role was to induct our latest member Debbie. Then it was Jan's turn. Jan was inducted to great applause, and straight away set about telling us what she expects from the club this year.

After the formalities were over, we were continued to be entertained with good fellowship and Brendan James.

Here's to a great 2010-11

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Rebuilding Samoa following 2009 Earthquake

On September 29th 2009 a large earthquake occurred in the Pacific Ocean. Three to eight minutes later a tsunami hit the shores of Samoa and, without warning, the lives of the Samoan people were changed forever.

On hearing the news of the devastation and loss of life, the members of the Rotary Club of Bendigo, who have a long association with Samoa and its people, were at first shocked and saddened but these initial reactions quickly turned to thoughts of what could be done to assist. Two of the club members visited Samoa and, while being further shocked by the extent of the damage, the information gathered during the visit has been used for the development of the Rebuilding Samoa Project.

The project has received the support of District 9800 who have advised other district Clubs that the Rotary Club of Bendigo will lead the District's efforts to assist Samoa in its time of need. The vision is to use the well proven model for the provision of aid in Samoa to send up to 50 teams of Rotary Volunteers to assist in the rebuilding effort by working alongside the tsunami survivors to provide safe and reliable drinking water at up to 25 new or reconstructed villages.

The model to be used recognises the importance of:

- Talking and listening to members of the local Rotary Club and the aid recipients to identify needs;
- Utilisation of assistance available from RAWCS for Volunteers; and
- Volunteers living and working with aid recipients.

Initial estimates of the requirements of the valuable work that could be done include 500 Volunteers and \$1,000,000 for tools, materials and freight. While the Rotary Club of Bendigo is ready, willing and able to provide the expertise, the organisation and volunteer recruitment required, the \$1,000,000 presents a significant challenge. Rotary Clubs, other organisations, businesses and individuals are invited to assist in ensuring the aid provided is that which is needed and for which the capability exists, rather than the availability of funds.

The desire to assist is driven by the strength of the personal relationships that exist as a result of working in Samoa, with Samoans, over the last 17 years. With the help of Rotarians, Rotary Clubs and the Rotary family we will play a significant role in Rebuilding Samoa.

Medical mission touches the 'unreachable'

During a massive seven-day medical mission in March, a team of 37 doctors and volunteers from District 3080 provided care to about 50,000 people in the remote tribal district of Mandla, Madhya Pradesh, India.

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Organized by Past RI President Rajendra K. Saboo and Vivek Tankha, additional solicitor general of India and past governor of District 3260, several health camps offered medical exams, dental procedures, and surgeries to a population with limited access to health care.

The team included 24 doctors and surgeons, nine volunteers, and four medical assistants.

"This was an exercise where vocational service was at its best, where doctors made their knowledge and talents totally available to serve humanity," Saboo said. "We were able to reach the unreachable."

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Saboo -- who has organized a number of medical missions since 1998 to countries including Ethiopia, Madagascar, Malawi, Nigeria, Swaziland, and Uganda -- said this effort far exceeded the others in terms of number of patients seen.

Tankha worked with Madhya Pradesh officials to identify the Mandla district as the location for Project RAHAT (Rotary's Active Hands Are Touching). The state government commissioned the support of about 400 medical volunteers.

The magnitude of the effort exceeded Tankha's expectations.

"The patient turnout, voluntary assistance rendered by Rotary and the state government, and the sight of the entire task force working under the banner of Rotary was something which I neither anticipated nor imagined," he said. "This mission presents a perfect example of people's participation towards a healthy society."

The medical camps were organized by treatment type. Four venues -- Mandla District Hospital, Katra Hospital, Yogiraj Hospital, and the local Red Cross -- received new equipment and other enhancements to handle an increased patient load.

The doctors and volunteers performed 3,500 dental procedures and 2,000 major surgeries, including reconstructive surgery, orthopedic work, and eye operations.

Subhash Garg, director of the medical mission and past governor of District 3080, said the many remarkable surgeries included the removals of a uterine tumor for one patient and a cataract for another -- a 105-year-old man.

"After completing this mission, there was a sense from the team of complete satisfaction," Garg said. "All Rotarians involved had a joyous feeling because we were able to contribute something so big."

Glen Eira Gags:

IT IS anything but a dog's life for Conchita, a beloved Chihuahua whose eccentric owner bequeathed her a \$US3 million trust fund - a move being contested by the late heiress's only son.

Heiress Gail Posner left her pooch (which she often decked out in a diamond necklace) a trust fund, and another \$US27 million to the staff of her Miami Beach mansion so that they can get by (rent-free) while caring for her pets until they die.