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Dear readers of "The Herald", I am unable to expand on the amount of news incoming on TV and in newspapers about the appalling human tragedy in the Philippines, so I will use our noticeboard to summarize where your assistance can be directed to be most effective. The Editor.

<u>Message from Frank Pezzimenti</u> International Office Manager South Pacific & Philippines Office Direct Line: +61 2 8894 9811 Office Line: +61 2 8894 9800 Facsimile: +61 2 8894 9899 Rotary.org



Our regional Office has received calls on how they can help our Rotarians in the Philippines providing relief. The most effective way is to send money direct to the area affected. District Governor Edgar can use the funds where they believe it is most effective. Food, water, medicines etc. are in great need and can be sourced from other parts of the Philippines.

We have talked to DG Edgar Chiongbian today and he has provided the following account details through which Rotarians can send contributions to the areas in Tacloban and Northern Cebu that were hardest hit by the typhoon last Friday.

Please note these funds are going direct to the Rotary District and not through The Rotary Foundation.

Account Name: Rotary District 3860 Disaster Fund

Bank: Bank of the Philippine Islands

SWIFT Code (for wire remittances): BOPIPHMM

Account Number: 1370-0113-93

Currency: Philippine Peso

Branch: Mango Avenue, Cebu City

Message from DG Wendy Gaborit



I have attached an email from Frank at RI's Parramatta Office who have been in contact with the DG for that area.

Their advice is that what is required most at this time is money and have requested that the funds be sent to the nominated Disaster account with District 3860 in the Philippines.

District will be making a donation – you can elect to transfer funds to the District Disaster account. Please ensure EFT transactions or cheques are clearly "referenced" Philippines D3860.

D9520 Disaster. BSB 105 116 A/c Number 058 238 840

Message from Disaster Aid Australia.



http://disasteraidaustralia.org.au/

- is a Rotary Club sponsored project
- has Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Australian tax status
- is part of Disaster Aid International which includes the Disaster Aid counterparts in UK & Ireland, USA and Malaysia
- has its headquarters in Dandenong (premises donated by a Rotarian)

Disaster Aid Australia works cooperatively with SkyJuice, an Australian company that produces water purification systems that deliver some 10,000 litres of drinking water a day.

We need your help now to do our work, as Rotarian volunteers, alongside our partner organisations and others now providing humanitarian assistance to those in the Philippines whose lives have been devastated by *Typhoon Haiyan*, reportedly the biggest storm to make landfall in recorded history.

As we know from media, government and agencies, the death toll is likely to exceed 10,000 in the affected areas. Everything that Disaster Aid Australia has in its warehouse will be sent to the Philippines. This disaster will need much more. Learn more info@disasteraidaustralia.org.au or contact 1300 881 913 and (03) 9706 8598

Please donate (tax deductible)

EFT BSB 633 000 Acc. No. 1400 38993. Disaster Aid Australia Overseas Aid Fund, Reference: (your name) Or **Credit Card** (Visa or Mastercard) please circle. Card Number. Expiry date. Name on Card. Signature. Email address. Mail this to PO Box 790 Endeavour Hills Victoria 3802.

Message from Bob Furner. Chairman, ShelterBox Australia,

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ABN: 21 143 129 220



Hundreds of thousands of men, women and children in the Philippines are now homeless and without clean water or food in the wake of Super Typhoon Haiyan. Their situation is desperate. With winds of 195mph, the typhoon is the largest storm ever recorded to make landfall and current reports indicate that upwards of 10,000 people may have lost their lives.

Please donate today to help us provide emergency shelter and the essential aid these families need to survive and start rebuilding their lives.

Visit the website using the W link above, click on the Philippines image and make a donation.

Visit the B link above to learn more.



Message from Rotary Australia World Community Service.

RAWCS assists Rotary Clubs in Australia with the development and management of international community service projects.

Whether it's projects to help rebuild in the aftermath of disaster, programs to bring education to countries where illiteracy stifles development or bringing health care and medical aid to those who can least access it, RAWCS so often has a hand in helping the world stand on its feet. RAWCS supports Rotary Clubs in sending teams of volunteers to

developing countries to provide assistance upon the development of much needed facilities, especially within the health and education areas. Learn more, and donate through this link http://www.rawcs.com.au/



COMMUNITY RESPONSE

Here is one example of a community response to help those in need in the Philippines.

The Filipino community in conjunction with the Rotary Club at Murray Bridge took part in the Murray Bridge Christmas Pageant, and collected \$1000.00 to be sent to aid the victims of typhoon Haiyan.

Vincent Rapide

The International Fellowship of motorcycling Rotarians recently held their AGM at Horsham. The 90 plus in attendance were treated to a display and talk about Vincent motorcyles, as they transferred the presidency from Robin Nuttall to Claus Weber.

Read more in their November Newsletter



The **Corroboree Newsletter** will keep you updated on the preparations for the Sydney Convention 2014. Use the following link to view Edition #3

http://rotary2014.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Corroboree-Edition-3-Newsletter-e.pdf



DAYS FOR GIRLS

Having read the article about Days for Girls in the November edition of Rotary Down Under I am writing to let you know that my wife Susanne, is the Coordinator of the South Australian Chapter of Days for Girls. Susanne would be most pleased to speak to Rotary Clubs about Days for Girls.

Her email address is <u>skayh14@gmail.com</u> and her telephone number is 0419865233.

Information on Days for Girls International is available at www.daysforgirls.com

The South Australian Chapter Facebook site can be found at "Days for Girls South Australian Chapter".

Regards, Keith Harris harriskeithb@gmail.com Secretary, Rotary Club of Flagstaff Hill



Bowelscan

Rotary Bowelscan- A Community Awareness Project

A brief introductory description for those who might be interested in conducting this program. The Bowelscan program is an initiative of the National Bowelscan Committee Incorporated and the Rotary District Committees and is run by those organisations.

Scan Kits are available for purchase from the District Committees.



All enquiries on the Bowelscan program should be directed to the National Bowelscan Committee Incorporated or one of the District Committees.

Australian Rotary Health supports the Bowelscan program and provides recommendations to the National Bowelscan Committee Incorporated in relations to the program, however Australian Rotary Health is not responsible for the day-to-day operations of the program or for the sale of the scan kits.

Since Bowelscan commenced, it is estimated that more than 1,000 people with bowel cancer and 5,000 with polyps have been detected.

Over 9,000 Australians will be diagnosed as having bowel cancer this year and over 4,500 will die of the disease.

Message from DG Wendy.

RI District 9520 has failed to achieve a majority vote across all clubs endorsing the Club based Bowel Scan program.

The Bowelscan program is an important health initiative designed to detect early signs of bowel problems including cancer. Our District is required to show a 2/3 majority to be included in this program, and a nil response from individual Clubs is counted as a no.

Our District management is concerned about our membership not being part of this program and as a consequence we have obtained permission to resend the survey.

<u>Presidents</u> please take this issue to your Board for an early response before 21st December 2013.

Send an email message to <u>d9520.secretary@gmail.com</u> including the phrase "As President of the Rotary Club of....... I support the request by the National Bowelscan program to be accorded multi-district status and designated Rotary Bowelscan Australia."

Or send the same reply via post to District Secretary PO Box 515 Murray Bridge SA 5253.

Clubs should undertake their own assessment of responsibilities of clubs to the program being monetary or other support in the roll out of a multi-district program.

If you require further information about the program contact PDG Richmond Manyweather at 15 Panorama Drive Alstonville NSW 2477 or manys@bigpond.com . The website link for Bowelscan is nationalbowelscan.

Rotary Showcase

Every day, Rotarians are working on service projects that make a positive impact around the world. Through Rotary Showcase, you can promote your club's achievements to other Rotarians and Facebook friends. Add your project today or browse the site to see the good work other clubs are doing.

- Go to Rotary Showcase
- Read about service projects on Rotary Voices

PHILIPPINES UPDATE:

504 ShelterBox tents have now arrived in Manila, Philippines. Distribution of this aid will begin as soon as it has cleared customs. A further 224 ShelterBoxes and 576 ShelterBox tents are currently en route to Cebu, Philippines with airfreight courtesy of DFID. This shipment is hoped to arrive in the Philippines 13 November. Nine SRT members are carrying out assessments in Cebu, Bohol and Tacloban. Additional team members are also on their way.

An extra 200 ShelterBoxes destined for the Philippines were packed by warehouse volunteers at ShelterBox HQ in Cornwall yesterday. ShelterBox are looking to help up to 4,000 families in the Philippines in the immediate future, with potential for more help if it's needed.

Greg Love D9520 ShelterBox Representative International Director Service Projects RC Kent Town



Participants in the recent RYLA seminar, Rebekah Little and Valerie Peters, have made a commitment to travel to Cambodia and assist with the construction of a school building in a village near Siem Reap. Part of this commitment is to raise funds to cover their own travel and living requirements and sufficient funding for the materials used in the project. Over \$7000 has already been raised, however a further \$1200 is required.

Rotary Clubs who would like to make a donation toward this project can contact Bek or Valerie

rebekah.little@student.adelaide.edu.au valerie.peters@student.adelaide.edu.au

Both Rebekah and Valerie are willing to address Rotary Club meetings as they plan for their venture to Cambodia, and they will have a report when they return. Their views are expressed in the following message:

"What struck us is that although we're just students, we have everything that these millions of people living in third world countries could never hope to have without aid. We're going to live long, healthy and productive lives without ever worrying about war or food or shelter or even how clean the water we drink is."

On another matter, the 2013 RYLA group undertook the usual fundraising activities at their RYLA seminar with vigorous fine sessions at most meal breaks, and an auction of memorabilia on the last night.

As a direct result of their outstanding effort, they raised almost \$1700, and they decided that this year's funds would go to ShelterBox. At the time, no-one knew that Cyclone Haiyan was just round the corner, so it's was particularly pleasing for RYLA Treasurer, Peter Hammond, to be able to donate \$2,000 to ShelterBox last Thursday. Well done, class of 2013.

Peter Poulton, Chair of the District RYLA/RYPEN Committee.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please note the following changes for contact email addresses; President RC Irymple, Lyn Faulks lynkfaulks@live.com.au
President RC Mobilong, Pam Luke pamluke2369@gmail.com
President RC Murray Bridge, Jack Reddin jack@reddin.com.au



Bob E please note