

Rotary honours late Scout

The Rotary Club of Tygerberg celebrated the club's 11th birthday at a gala event at the Hollow Tree Restaurant in Oude Westhof.

It was a double celebration as it was also Rotary International's 110th birthday, celebrated by clubs across the globe, said Rotary Tygerberg president Chris Lesch.

The Rotary movement was started by businessman Paul Harris in Chicago in 1905.

Today, this "Service above Self" organisation has 34 871 clubs worldwide, of which 299 are in South Africa and 60 clubs in District 9350, which is made up of Western and Northern Cape, Angola and Namibia.

"The Tygerberg Club chose to recognise two very deserving people who have gone far beyond the normal call of duty in their walks of life to uplift, encourage, motivate and bring value and quality of life into the lives

of our young people in the community," Lesch said.

They were honoured with the highest accolade Rotary International can bestow on an individual, the prestigious Paul Harris Fellowship Award.

The one recipient was granted posthumously to Garnet de la Hunt and was received on his behalf by his widow, Virginia.

"Garnet had done sterling work for the South African Scout Movement, in particular 1st Durbanville Scouts, until he passed away last year," Lesch said.

The other recipient was Bertie Nel from Northpine, a teacher at the Scottsville High School in Kraaifontein.

"She was honoured for her passion and dedication in championing the Interact Club, a project of Rotary, at the school



Virginia de la Hunt, wife of the late Garnet de la Hunt, received an award on behalf of her husband from Cecil Rose of the Rotary Club of Durbanville, also district governor of District 9350, which includes about 60 clubs in South Africa, Namibia and Angola.