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UPCOMING SPEAKERS: May to August 2018

TUESDAY 8 MAY 2018 (9h30 for 10h00) **NOTE:** Tuesday 1 May is a Public Holiday so this meeting has been moved to Tuesday 8 May 2018

Jim Powell - 'Direct Democracy South Africa'.

Do come and listen to the conversation on 'how to better control the politicians'.

- The South African political system lacks in accountability of politicians to the voters.
- The primary allegiance of proportional representation politicians is to their political party and not to the voters!
- Many ward councillors see their political party as their first allegiance, not the voter, the employers of the politicians.
- The President has too much power
- Our system is effectively a 5-year dictatorship

You will find out how to change the current system so that the voters have the ultimate say on the decisions that are made.

TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018 (9h30 for 10h00)

Brendan Jack - 'The Hero's Journey': A blueprint for films and life.

Brendan Jack will explore how the 'Hero's Journey' pervades all movies and storytelling, and what we can learn when it is applied to our own lives. He will discuss storytelling in films, both big and small, blockbusters and art house. Brendan has written for several national publications and published the satirical marketing novel, 'Empire: How to Succeed with Nothing but Passion, Great Ideas and a Wealthy Family'. He co-created Crazy Monkey, a comedy troupe that appeared on MTV worldwide.

TUESDAY 3 JULY 2018 (9h30 for 10h00)

Judge Kathie Satchwell - retired High Court judge.

'Staff Nurse Margaret Dewar – Gallant and Distinguished Service'.

This is the story of the lives of nurses who left South Africa to serve in the Great War and the sacrifices they made in both their work and sometimes in their deaths. Margaret Dewar, from Germiston, served in France with the Scottish Women's Hospital unit and then in Brighton - where we have the autograph album filled in by her patients. She was then posted to the mountains of Macedonia where she served with the Royal Army Medical Corps. She was killed when she ran to save her patients whose tent was being bombed by a squadron of German bombers.

TUESDAY 7 AUGUST 2018 (9h30 for 10h00)

Rory Stein - 'Witness to Greatness'.

Rory Steyn will share 'anecdotes about and lessons learned from Madiba'. For three years Rory was one of the human shields for the man he once regarded as a terrorist. "I wanted to remember him as I knew him: President Mandela" says Rory, who was his chief bodyguard. Thus he wrote 'One Step Behind Mandela' which looks at Nelson Mandela's presidency.

Venue : Randburg Gereformeerde Kerk, 42 Third Road, Northwold

Time : First Tuesday of the month at 9:15 for 10:00

Cost : R20 per visit or R50 per year

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