# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2005 - 2006

Meeting 3477 - Tuesday 20th August 2005

The Club meets every Tuesday at the Unley Community Sports Club Oxford Terrace, Unley, at 6.30pm Fellowship at 6.15pm

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# **Our Last Meeting**

Meeting No.	3477			
Date	30th August 2005			
Venue	U.C.S.C			
Occasion	Guest Speaker: Adriana Loro - Rotary Group Study Exchange to Texas 1987; Board Meeting			
<b>Guests &amp; Visiting Rotarians</b>	ting Rotarians Sabine, Chris Watt, Sandra Purdie and Jen Casburn			
Apologies	Natalie Bowen, Darrol Foote, Paul Howard, Norm Wallace, Martin Cooper, Sheila Evans, David Middleton, Bob Mills, John Russell and Michael Tait.			
Make Ups	Darrol Foote, Chandra Sluggett, Pat Mc Niffe			
Attendance	63%			
Sick List	Gary Tonkin, Jo Blowes, Marnie Philips and Bernice Roberts			
Returning Rotarians	N/A			
Departing Rotarians	N/A			
Birthdays				
Anniversaries	Bob Laws – Granddad again, a girl.			

# From President Kaylene

Welcome to our guests.

President Kaylene detailed the Mental Health Forum for the 11 October as a Club meeting night at the Civic Centre Unley. The project is shared with the Rotary Club of Hyde Park. Spoke of the excellent night last week at La Tombola Restaurant and how we had celebrated Sabrina's 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

# **Spots**

Sabine spoke of her activities of the week.

**Greg Love** for Bob Laws advised that the membership drive was in full swing, with 11 people so far having indicated that they will attend the Information Night on 13<sup>th</sup> September. He reminded members to put in their own referrals for that night.

Stephen Westgarth again sought the sale of our Watervale Riesling from O'Leary Walker of Clare. \$100.00 a case.

**Geoff Hill** (who is marrying Jill next Saturday) was looking for volunteers work out setting-up and pricing goods at the Thrift Shop for next Saturday morning..

PP Ron Schubert indicated that Club dues invoices would be distributed during the week.

# Sergeants Session

Jerry (with a J) Casburn was Sergeant for the night and went heavy with the fine session and the stories with them. Is there no end to this man?

## Guest Speaker – Adriana Loro

Our Chairman for the evening, Greg Love, introduced our guest speaker Adriana Loro. Eighteen years ago Adriana was a member of the first-ever all-women Group Study Exchange (GSE) team that visited Texas USA. Originally a qualified social worker, Adriana has for many years run her own very successful dressmaking business.

She described to us the process of selection of candidates to go on the GSE trip and how GSE team members had to be professionally trained. The leader of that team was Rick Harcourt and his wife. Adriana described the preparation for the trip including times devoted to bonding with other team members, being reassured about not having to pay for anything, uniform fittings, preparing and practicing speeches (including learning facts about Australia), buying gifts for host families, and spending a week at Urrbrae to refine presentations and be briefed on the philosophies behind Rotary and Group Study Exchanges. She could not fault the preparation that she and her fellow team members were given, especially as it proved to be essential that GSE team members got on well together; they spent so much time together and needed to be able to compromise and work together to solve problems.

Adriana's GSE trip was a real experience of learning. Bonuses on the trip were being upgraded to First Class on the flight to Texas and great marguerites, but downsides included bad tea and having insufficient time for things like shopping, reading and doing their nails. During many road shows and often multiple Rotary meetings each day (breakfast, lunch and dinner) they learnt the art of performing.

To Adriana a particularly interesting and enjoyable experience was meeting and bonding quickly with host families, whom she invariably found difficult to leave. Regardless of the financial circumstances of host families, team members felt warmly welcome and had all their needs met everywhere.

The GSE team visited Texas City, Galveston, Friendswood and Port Arthur. She described visits they made to oil refineries (the first one was interesting), county jails (which appeared to be about the only places in Texas where any social work was done), libraries, hospitals and Huntsville Prison (the main industry in Huntsville). They went on a helicopter ride over Galveston, to a LA Lakers vs Houston rockets basketball game, a crocodile restaurant, the Plum Nearly Restaurant and the Dogwood Queen Festival, at which they were special guests.

Adriana felt that overall the GSE team members learned a lot about themselves and about hospitality, kindness and generosity. She then answered a number of questions from the floor to wrap-up an interesting and entertaining talk.

# **Diary Dates**

### September - New Generations Month

Tue 13/9/05 Membership Information Night

Tue 20/9/05 Guest Speaker Patrick McBride of Barter card
Tue 27/9/05 Partners Night at a restaurant (Venue TBA)

### October - Vocational Service Month

Tue 04/10/05 Three Members as guest speakers

Tue 11/10/05 Mental Health Forum as a Club meeting night at the Civic Centre Unley

Tue 18/10/05 4.00pm: KK & KH with DG Arthur

4.45-5.30pm: Special Board Meeting with DG Arthur 6.30pm: Guest Speaker DG Arthur Manser & Shirley

Tue 25/10/05 Partners Night (at or away from club TBA)

### **November - Rotary Foundation Month**

Tue 01/11/05 Three Members as guest speakers

Tue 08/11/05 Guest Speaker and call for nominations to the Board.

Tue 15/11/05 Partner's Night: Popeye Dinner Cruise

**December- Peace Awareness Month** 

Sun 11/12/05 Christmas Carols at the Rotunda

# Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
06-09-05	U.C.S.C.	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Three members Spots/Committees
13-09-05	U.C.S.C.	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Membership Information Night
20-09-05	U.C.S.C.	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Guest Speaker Patrick McBride of Barter Card.
27-09-05	TBA	6.30pm for 7.00pm	Partner's night at a restaurant

# Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance
06-09-05	Kaylene Kranz	Geoff Howland	Peter James	John Peacham	Glenys Ferguson & Lindsay England
13-09-05	Kaylene Kranz	Noelene Axford		Peter James	
20-09-05	Kaylene Kranz	Martin Cooper		Laurie Madigan	
27-09-05	Kaylene Kranz	Greg Love		Bob Laws	

# **Apologies**

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# Saturday Thrift Shop Duty

Date	Early Roster	Late Roster
03-09-05	D Middleton	Ken Haines
10-09-05	Glenys Ferguson	Ron Schubert
17-09-05	Anne Wehr	Bob Laws
24-09-05	Lindsay England	Chandra Sluggett

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

**SERVICE** Above Self