

# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3699 – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at "Tiffins on the Park",  
176 Greenhill Road Parkside (Cnr George Street) at 6.30pm.  
Fellowship at 6.00pm

## Our Last Meeting

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| Meeting No.        | 3699                                                                                                  |
| Date               | 9 February 2010                                                                                       |
| Venue              | Tiffins on the Park – Parkside                                                                        |
| Occasion           | <b>Mark Huddleston:</b> "TRF Grants"                                                                  |
| Sergeant           | David Middleton                                                                                       |
| Chairman           | Chandra Sluggett                                                                                      |
| Guests             | Leena Kasurinen, David Mackrell                                                                       |
| Visiting Rotarians | Mark Huddleston (RC of Edwardstown) and David Tiddy (RC of Hyde Park)                                 |
| Apologies          | Janet Plumb, Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins and Geoff Howland                                              |
| Make-Ups           | Mavis Martin                                                                                          |
| Anniversaries      | <b>Birthday:</b> David Payne (14/2); <b>Induction:</b> Sheila Evans (10/2) and Neville Highett (17/2) |
| Attendance         | 70%                                                                                                   |

## President's Announcements

A further reminder regarding the Family Fun Day and Picnic event scheduled for Group 6 Clubs in late March. A good turnout from this Club is anticipated.

Next week is the Club's 3,700<sup>th</sup> meeting. As the Club has a vocational visit next week, the meeting on 9 March is being targeted as a 100% attendance meeting, which, if achieved, will see Jerry opening his wallet for congratulatory drinks.

The Club's membership directory is being reviewed. If any member's details (including email address) have changed, please let Secretary Mavis Martin know soonest.

Invitations to the Club's membership familiarisation and recruitment night on 23 February at the Unley Civic Centre are being distributed to 300 Unley businesses. Members are encouraged to take some of the invitations with them to send to any prospective members.

## Spots

**Davis Tiddy** of the RC of Hyde Park was present in his role as Debate Chairman for the forthcoming Unley v Hyde Park debating competition rematch. He announced that the subject will be "That Technology is Too Expensive". Stephen Baker announced that this Club will speak against the proposition. The venue will be the Hyde Park Tavern on King William Road at 6pm for 6.15pm on 24 March.

**Stephen Baker** confirmed that the Club will be visiting the Salisbury Wetlands next Tuesday evening. He will circulate directions, etc. by email to members. As well, a visit to Peter O'Neil's farming property on the Fleurieu Peninsula is proposed for Sunday 11 April.

**Anne Wehr** announced that the Hawthorn Bowling Club is conducting an Irish Albert night this coming Saturday. Admission is \$25.00 per head. Contact Anne for tickets if interested.

## Exchange Student Leena's Report

"Now I'm back to school and started working hard. Last Friday we went kayaking with my PE class. That was a bit hard at first but by the end of the day I've already got better and I also learned how to do capsizing. After that I was very tired and sore and needed a big sleep."

## Sergeant's Session

Ablly managed by David Middleton. The lucky square prize went to David Tiddy from RC of Hyde Park.

## Mark Huddleston: The Rotary Foundation Grants

In her introduction, Chairman Chandra Sluggett advised that Mark Huddleston joined Rotaract at 18 years of age and 10 years later was invited to join the Rotary Club of Edwardstown, where he has been a member for over 12 years. At 41, Mark feels privileged to have spent over half of his life in a Rotary environment.

Mark was President of the Rotary Club of Edwardstown in 2006-07. During this year he prepared a matching grant to support a literacy programme in Mexico, and last year Mark completed another matching grant to purchase medical diagnostic equipment in Ukraine. Mark is very passionate not only about supporting the Rotary Foundation but in helping clubs get the most out of the Rotary Foundation programs and grants. He joined the District Rotary Foundation Committee this year as Grants Chair. Mark is married to Debra, and has two children Aaron, 6, and Elise 3, and with Debra he runs a sugar free confectionery business.

Mark believes that every Rotarian should have a basic knowledge of how The Rotary Foundation works as it leads to a desire to donate and presents a greater likelihood of taking advantage of the various grants available to further that member's Club's projects.

In 1917, an endowment was set up to do good works in Rotary's name. As it grew, the endowment was renamed in 1928 during President Arch Klumph's term **THE ROTARY FOUNDATION**.



Mark Huddleston

There are two main aspects to The Rotary Foundation, namely FUNDING and PROGRAMS. Mark's address concentrated on FUNDING. FUNDING has two main arms, namely the *Annual Programs Fund* and *The Permanent Fund*. The Annual Programs Fund is the engine of the Foundation and is where Paul Harris Fellow recognition payments are made and individual and corporate donations are received. At the end of each year, moneys go into a 3-year investment cycle. The capital is returned to a program called Share, 50% of which goes to the *World Fund* and 50% of which goes to the *District Designated Fund*.

A District Designated Fund enables a District to decide how funds are to be allocated but in the case of the World Fund, the Rotary Foundation trustees decide on the allocation of funds. The World Fund pays for Group Study Exchange, matching grants and peace scholars. The global financial crisis has led to a restriction in the spending of World Fund moneys and in the availability of matching grant funds.

The District Designated Fund(s) pay for ambassadorial scholars, matching grant funding, donations to special appeals, PolioPlus, etc. Some District Designated Fund moneys have been made available to prop up World Fund expenditure. The capital of *The Permanent Fund* is never spent and represents a reservoir of funds to enable the daily operations of the Foundation to be maintained.

Mark stressed that Clubs should become aware of the range of grants that are available to them, not all of the funding sources being necessarily for international Club projects. In the case of his own Club, funding for an active Group Study Exchange involvement has been obtained as well as matching grants, District Simplified Grants and a Public Relations Grant.

A short video explaining aspects of the workings of The Rotary Foundation was then shown.

Chairman Chandra thanked Mark for his address and presented him with a small gift.

## Our Upcoming Meetings

| Date     | Venue               | Time         | Occasion                                                              | Chairman & Scribe      | Venue Set-up/Plaque Board | Sergeant    | Attendance Desk        |
|----------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| 16/02/10 | Salisbury Wetlands  | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>Vocational Visit to Salisbury Wetlands – Stephen Haines</b>        | S Baker                | N/A                       | N/A         | S Baker to organise    |
| 23/02/10 | Unley Civic Centre  | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>Membership Familiarisation &amp; Recruitment – Tony Pilkington</b> | J Singh & Mayor Thorne | P O'Neil                  | D Middleton | J Russell & C Schirmer |
| 02/03/10 | Sinclair's Gully    | TBA          | <b>Sinclair's Gully Winery Visit</b>                                  | TBA                    | N/A                       | N/A         | TBA                    |
| 09/03/10 | Tiffins on the Park | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>NYSF and Interact – Rachel Sweet &amp; Diane Gomez</b>             | Andy Hill              | N Bowen                   | D Middleton | C Sluggett & A Wehr    |

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Members rostered on Venue Set-up and Plaque Board should see Tiffins on the Park staff to gain access to the club's meeting paraphernalia. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the storeroom.

## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: February - March 2010

| Week No. | Dates    | Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am         | Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm    |
|----------|----------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2        | 13/02/10 | Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod          | David Middleton                  |
| 3        | 20/02/10 | Stephen Westgarth & Neesha Nandasena | Joan Reed & Bob Laws             |
| 4        | 27/02/10 | John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett      | Bob Mullins & Sheila Evans       |
| 1        | 06/03/10 | Lindsay England & Rohan Singh        | Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth |
| 2        | 13/03/10 | Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod          | Janet Plumb & David Middleton    |

**Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact:**

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# Rotary's involvement in peace work began early

From RI website – “Global Outlook”

Rotary Peace Fellow Nai-Hua Wu recently spoke to incoming district governors at the 2010 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. *Rotary Images/Alyce Henson*

Although advancing the cause of world peace was not one of the original ideas behind Rotary, the concept took such a strong hold so early on that peace and Rotary have come to be inextricably linked in the minds of anyone familiar with the organisation.

In 1914, at the onset of World War I, delegates to Rotary's international convention in Houston adopted a resolution that called for the convening of an international peace conference and urged all Rotarians to support worthy efforts such as the international peace movement. In September of that year, the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, submitted a proposal to the International Association of Rotary Clubs asking that Rotarians become advocates for peace in their communities.

In 1922, as the organization took the name Rotary International, the fourth object of Rotary was ratified: "The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service."

At the convention in Havana in 1940, delegates approved a resolution that identified "freedom, justice, truth, sanctity of the pledged word, and respect for human rights" as "vital to international peace" and called on each Rotarian to protect these principles. Even as World War II was raging, Rotarians were able to organize a conference in London, attended by representatives of 21 countries that laid out a plan for peace. This led to the formation of an international group that would later evolve into UNESCO, but not before the historic 1945 meeting in San Francisco at which the United Nations was chartered. About 40 Rotarians took part as delegates and observers at that meeting. Rotary played a critical role in the formative days of the UN, with five Rotarians elected to the post of president of the General Assembly during the first 12 years.

Throughout the second half of the century, Rotarians around the world continued to work for peace as individuals and in their local clubs, both through financial contributions and a wide range of projects to improve the quality of peoples' lives through health care and education. In 2002, The Rotary Foundation embarked on a new initiative that will help it imprint its peacemaking mark on the 21st century: an international studies program in conflict resolution at seven peace centers at prestigious universities on five continents.

With more than 400 alumni of the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution working in peace-related jobs throughout the world, Rotary is well on the way to achieving its goal of inspiring a new generation of peacemakers.



## On the Back Page

### Food for thought:

*"The trouble with words is that you never know whose mouth they've been in"* – Dennis Potter

*"Common sense is the collection of prejudices acquired by the age of 18"* – Albert Einstein

*"Never have children, only grandchildren"* – Gore Vidal

### A police officer pulls over a speeding car...

The officer says, 'I clocked you at 80 miles per hour, sir.'

The driver says, 'Oh dear, officer I had it on cruise control at 60, perhaps your radar gun needs calibrating.'

Not looking up from her knitting the driver's wife says: 'Now don't be silly dear, you know that this car doesn't have cruise control.'

As the officer writes out the ticket, the driver looks over at his wife and growls, 'Can't you please keep your mouth shut for once?'

The wife smiles demurely and says, 'You should be thankful your radar detector went off when it did.'

As the officer makes out the second ticket for the illegal radar detector unit, the man glowers at his wife and says through clenched teeth, '#\*#@# it, woman, can't you keep your mouth shut?'

The officer frowns and says, 'And I notice that you're not wearing your seat belt, sir. That's an automatic \$167 fine.'

The driver says, 'Yeah, well, you see officer, I had it on, but took it off when you pulled me over so that I could get my license out of my back pocket.'

The wife says, 'Now, dear, you know very well that you didn't have your seat belt on. You never wear your seat belt when you're driving.'

And as the police officer is writing out the third ticket the driver turns to his wife and barks, 'Why don't you shut the #\*#@# up?'

The officer looks over at the woman and asks, 'Does your husband always talk to you this way, Ma'am?'

'Only when he's drunk.'

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**Remember our Rotary theme for the year:**

**THE FUTURE OF ROTARY  
IS IN YOUR HANDS**