

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3704 – 17th March 2010

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520
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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

Meeting No.	3704
Date	17 March 2010
Venue	Mitcham AFA Grounds at Mitcham
Occasion	Unley v Mitcham Lawn Bowls Competition
Sergeant	N/A
Chairman	Stephen Baker
Guests	Jenny Casburn, Linda Sellers & Leena Kasurinen
Visiting Rotarians	N/A
Apologies	Alex Jonson, Chandra Sluggett, David Payne, Joan Reed, Mavis Martin, Janet Plumb & Geoff Howland
Make-Ups	Mavis Martin, Joan Reed & David Payne
Attendance	63%

President's Announcements

Members may recall that Roshanak Amrein, who is the daughter of Akhtar Esmail-Zadeh (one of the Thrift Shop volunteers), spoke to the Club a year or so ago about her family story involving the coming out of Iran and the trials for the family associated with being split up and dealing with the move to Australia. Roshanak has written a book of poetry entitled "One Million Flights" which will be launched at 10.15am at the Art Gallery of SA Lecture Room B on 28 March 2010. Members are encouraged to attend the launch to support the author and family.

Unley v Mitcham Lawn Bowls Competition: Unley 2nd Best Bowls Team in SA

On a steamy Wednesday night at the Mitcham AFA Grounds in Hawthorn, the valiant warriors of Unley did battle on the bowling green. While two of our teams (including Leena) showed outstanding valour and skill, the same could not be said for the other two. The final score of 53-28 in Mitcham's favour provides a grim reminder of how much practice is needed (particularly with the Presidential team). 'Twas a good night out of food, fun and ball tampering. There is a rumour that Unley has only won 11 times since 1968. The weather and other conditions must have detrimentally affected our performance on the other 30 occasions. Our thanks go to Mitcham for hosting this event.



The intense pre-match practice didn't help Unley much.



Colin Schirmer rolls one for Unley.



Pres. Jerry presented the Annual Bowls trophy to Mitcham Pres. Andrew

Rotary News from other Clubs or Committees

The following is a report received on the recent **Health of the River Forum** held at Lake Cullulleraine in November 2009, with 40 students attending the forum. The report is timely, considering the address to the Club last week by Interact member Diana Gomez.

"Assistant District Governor Peter Dansen formally opened the forum & was later joined by District Governor Dick Cuttle who addressed the forum & participated with the students in some of their activities.

We were able to provide those SA students with a unique opportunity to qualify for South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) points for their year 12 accreditation. Details of the student requirements to qualify for SACE points have been posted on the District 9520 web site. (Service Projects/New Generations/Health of the River Forum) Many of the SA students who attended took up this opportunity to submit their documentation to their SACE coordinator.

We also expanded the forum to allow another 6 District 9500 clubs in Adelaide region, the opportunity to submit nominations for students wishing to attend the forum. I would like to thank Richard Bentley for his role in assisting to coordinate this initiative. We even drew a request from Ouyen Secondary Campus & the Rotary Club of Swan Hill agreed to sponsor this student.

I trust by now that you have invited your sponsored student to do a presentation to your club, if not, please do so, it's a great way to become informed about the forum & the benefits it offers the students.

A considerable amount of work each year goes into securing sponsorship funding to mitigate the cost impact on sponsoring clubs. In 2009 we secured a major sponsorship arrangement with the Murray Darling Basin Authority for 3 years (\$5000 per year) & Will Inveen represented the authority & participated on the judging panel for the student presentations. This means that we anticipate that there will be no change in the sponsorship costs for clubs nominating students (Sunraysia District Clubs \$200 & SA Clubs \$250).

We eventually achieved our desired numbers of students for the forum, thanks to the concerted effects of many clubs in submitting student nominations. The success of the forum rest in your hands, in particular for the New Generation committees to actively liaise with your schools in promoting the benefits of this programme to school Principals & Environmental & Science teachers. My only concerns last year were the need to defer the forum to November initially due to lack of student numbers & secondly due to the number of last minute student cancellations. It will mean that you may have to make several representations to your schools & to be familiar with SACE point process in selling the benefits that the students can derive from this process.

As a result of the high level of last minute cancellations our board has decided that your club's representatives need to be aware of their commitment to ensure students honour their agreement to attend the forum. Once the nomination close off date is reached we will not be refunding club's sponsorship money. We will provide some flexibility to clubs in the lead up period to the close off date to source a replacement student should this situation arise.

Our next forum has been set down for the 4th to the 7th November 2010 at Lake Cullulleraine.

We will be sending out further communication later in the year.

Regards.

*Greg Missen
Coordinator"*

The following is a report by **Indigenous Medical Scholar Lauren Sperring**:

"Australian Rotary Indigenous Health Scholarship Report on MBBS 2 2009

During 2009 I studied the second year of my Medical degree, which involves studying three core subjects both semesters (Scientific Basis of Medicine, Medical Personal and Professional Development, Clinical Skills, as well as one elective subject each semester. I chose Medical Microbiology and Immunology, and Indigenous Health as my electives.

Some of the things I've been involved in this year include:

Indigenous Health Elective – The Indigenous Health elective curriculum opened my eyes to all the public health issues surrounding Indigenous health. I was also able to go on a camp to Camp Coorong where I met some Ngarrindjeri people and got to hear about things that impact on their health, as well as learning how to do basket weaving.

Australian Indigenous Doctor's Association – I attended the AGM and Symposium in Brisbane. It was great to be able to catch up with old friends and make new ones. I came back feeling extremely refreshed and prepared for study.

Rotary – I presented to my Rotary club about my major assignment for the year. I also met with my previous mentor, Chandra Sluggett, and my new mentor Wendy Andrews.

Wilto Yerlo – Over the summer break this year, I helped the Indigenous centre at our University with interviews for the Indigenous entry scheme, as well as the Indigenous orientation Program. I was able to act as a role model for new Indigenous students.

International Food Fiesta – The International Food Fiesta is an event run through the Adelaide Medical Student's Society, where people of different nationalities cook food from their culture. I got together with two other Indigenous medical students, and we cooked some Aboriginal foods, and had some native fruits for people to try.

FAIMM – Over the past year, my mentor Dr Helen Sage has organised a group called FAIMM (Flinders Adelaide Indigenous Medical Mentoring) where we have a group of Indigenous medical students and a group of doctors who are willing to be our mentors. The doctors have various specialties, and we all have one-on-one mentoring with them, as well as group tutoring in areas we need. Through

this group I was able to sit in with Helen in her GP practice and see her consulting with real patients. I found this to be very useful because I realised how relevant and important the things that we learn are.

Early Development Attachment – One of the assignments for second year, is an Early Development Attachment, where we are required to find and follow a woman and her family through a pregnancy. I followed a woman's pregnancy from her 20th week until the baby was six weeks old. I wasn't able to attend the birth, but I saw the woman and her new baby just a few hours after. The assignment also involved a home visit with the family when the baby was six weeks old. This was a great learning experience both to understand a normal pregnancy, and to develop better communication skills.

I found study this year to be challenging again, but still enjoyed it. I passed both of my electives and all of my mid-year examinations (Modified Essay Question Exam: B, Clinical Reasoning Exam: B, Multiple Choice/Short Answer Question Exam: C, Resource: C), but I failed one of my end of year exams (Modified Essay Question Exam: B, Clinical Reasoning Exam: B, Multiple Choice/Short Answer Question Exam: C, Resource: E). I also passed my OSCE (Observed Structured Clinical Exam) with an A. However, because my overall result for Resource was a fail, I will have to repeat second year in 2010.

I am very optimistic about repeating this year, and the first couple of days back at uni have gone well."

The Rotary Club of Renmark invites the Clubs of D9520 to a dinner function to be held at the Renmark Club Ral Ral Avenue Renmark on Sunday 18 April 2010 (12 for 12.30pm) to farewell the outgoing 50th GSE Team. The cost will be \$25.00 per person. RSVP by 7 April 2010 to Marj Lobban at PO Box 28 Renmark SA 5341 or on 8586 6498 or at marjlobb@riverland.net.au.

From our own Webmaster

There is a new Downloads page in the Rotary Club of Unley website's Members Area. This page contains links to the following documents that you can display and print and/or save:

- Rotary Club of Unley Strategy Plan: 2009-2010 – 2011-2012
- Police Officer of the Year 2009 Nomination Form
- Cheque Requisition Form
- Weekly Meeting Running Sheet
- Membership Application Form

If you know of any other Club or Rotary related documents and forms that it would be useful to have available as downloads from our Club's website, please let Stephen Westgarth know about them and preferably email him soft copies of them or links to where he can get them online?

District Website address

For a wealth of District information, visit the website on www.rotarynews.info@d9520. Follow the link on the Home Page to read the DG's March Newsletter.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
Wednesday 24/03/10	Hyde Park Tavern	6 for 6.15pm	Debating Competition with Rotary Club of Hyde Park	S Baker	N/A	N/A	S Westgarth & L England
30/03/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Dr Tim Hill – "Brain Training"	S Evans	H Kilsby	D Middleton	L England & G Ferguson
06/04/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Adam Steinhardt – "The Modern Athlete"	S Baker	A Jonson	D Middleton	G Ferguson & A Hill
13/04/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Stephen Orr – "Organ Donation"	H Kilsby	G Hill	D Middleton	A Hill & R Laws

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Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Stephen Baker on 8379 7105 or email to unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au

Venue Set-up/Plaque Board Enquiries To: Greg McLeod on 0417 811 838 or 8223 3999

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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: March - April 2010

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm
3	20/03/10	Glenys Ferguson & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws
4	27/03/10	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	Bob Mullins & Sheila Evans
1	03/04/10	Lindsay England & Rohan Singh	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	10/04/10	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & David Middleton

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

Bob Laws: 8223 6403; (M) 0438 865 305; e-mail: steedman@senet.com.au

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Doctor's Office and a Snotty Receptionist

An older gentleman had an appointment to see the urologist who shared offices with several other doctors. The waiting room was filled with patients. As he approached the receptionist's desk, he noticed that the receptionist was a large unfriendly woman who looked like a Sumo wrestler. He gave her his name.

In a very loud voice, the receptionist said, "YES, I HAVE YOUR NAME HERE; YOU WANT TO SEE THE DOCTOR ABOUT IMPOTENCE, RIGHT?"

All the patients in the waiting room snapped their heads around to look at the very embarrassed man.... He recovered quickly, and in an equally loud voice replied, 'NO, I'VE COME TO INQUIRE ABOUT A SEX CHANGE OPERATION, BUT I DON'T WANT THE SAME DOCTOR THAT DID YOURS.'

The room erupted in applause! DON'T MESS WITH OLD FOLKS!

ONLY IN AMERICA!

These are from a book called Disorder in the American Courts, and are things people actually said in court, word for word, taken down and now published by court reporters that had the torment of staying calm while these exchanges were actually taking place.

ATTORNEY: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

WITNESS: He said, 'Where am I, Cathy?'

ATTORNEY: And why did that upset you?

WITNESS: My name is Susan!

ATTORNEY: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?

WITNESS: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

ATTORNEY: Are you sexually active?

WITNESS: No, I just lie there.

ATTORNEY: This myasthenia gravis, does it affect your memory at all?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: And in what ways does it affect your memory?

WITNESS: I forget.

ATTORNEY: You forget? Can you give us an example of something you forgot?

ATTORNEY: Do you know if your daughter has ever been involved in voodoo?

WITNESS: We both do.

ATTORNEY: Voodoo?

WITNESS: We do.

ATTORNEY: You do?

WITNESS: Yes, voodoo.

ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?

ATTORNEY: The youngest son, the 20-year-old, how old is he?

WITNESS: He's 20, much like your IQ.

ATTORNEY: Were you present when your picture was taken?

WITNESS: Are you shitting me?

ATTORNEY: So the date of conception was August 8th?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: And what were you doing at that time?

WITNESS: Getting laid.

ATTORNEY: ALL your responses MUST be oral, OK? What school did you go to?

WITNESS: Oral.

ATTORNEY: Are you qualified to give a urine sample?

WITNESS: Are you qualified to ask that question?

ATTORNEY: She had three children, right?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: How many were boys?

WITNESS: None.

ATTORNEY: Were there any girls?

WITNESS: Your Honour, I think I need a different attorney. Can I get a new attorney?

ATTORNEY: How was your first marriage terminated?

WITNESS: By death.

ATTORNEY: And by whose death was it terminated?

WITNESS: Take a guess.

ATTORNEY: Can you describe the individual?

WITNESS: He was about medium height and had a beard.

ATTORNEY: Was this a male or a female?

WITNESS: Unless the circus was in town, I'm going with male.

ATTORNEY: Is your appearance here this morning pursuant to a deposition notice which I sent to your attorney?

WITNESS: No, this is how I dress when I go to work.

ATTORNEY: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?

WITNESS: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

ATTORNEY: Do you recall the time that you examined the body?

WITNESS: The autopsy started around 8:30 p.m.

ATTORNEY: And Mr. Denton was dead at the time?

WITNESS: If not, he was by the time I finished.

And the best for last:

ATTORNEY: Doctor, before you performed the autopsy, did you check for a pulse?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: Did you check for blood pressure?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: Did you check for breathing?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: So, then it is possible that the patient was alive when you began the autopsy?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: How can you be so sure, Doctor?

WITNESS: Because his brain was sitting on my desk in a jar.

ATTORNEY: I see, but could the patient have still been alive, nevertheless?

WITNESS: Yes, it is possible that he could have been alive and practising law.

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

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