

# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3763 – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2011

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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. | 3763                                                                                                     |
| Date        | 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2011                                                                                |
| Occasion    | <b>Combined Meeting with Rotary Club of Prospect</b><br><b>Adrian Francis: "The Kalahari Experience"</b> |
| Venue       | Tiffins on the Park                                                                                      |
| Chairman    | Stephen Baker                                                                                            |
| Guests      | Lalita Lopez                                                                                             |
| Apologies   | Jim Newell, Colin Schirmer, Rohan Singh, Janet Singh, Wendy Andrews, Bob Mullins, Geoff Hill             |
| Make ups    | Wendy Andrews                                                                                            |
| Attendance  | 55%                                                                                                      |

## Combined Meeting

President Joan welcomed the members of the Rotary Club of Prospect to our joint meeting. It was pleasing to see 18 members of the Prospect club with us for the night.

## President's Announcements

1. Five of our members went to the District Assembly which was a successful event.
2. The RC of Morialta is having a "Back to the Ballroom" this Saturday night the 28<sup>th</sup> of May. Please see President Joan for more details.
3. The District Governor's Change Over is on 26<sup>th</sup> June at Berri; \$35 per head commencing at 12noon for 12.30. Please see President Joan for details.
4. Thank you to the Vocational Committee for a wonderful event last week with the Police Officer of the Year Award and especially to Stephen Baker for his efforts in making the day run smoothly. Also to David Mackrell for the changes to the display about the Rotary Club of Unley.



RC Prospect President Jon Harmer and RC Unley President Joan Reed enjoyed the fellowship of the combined meeting.

## Spots

**Jerry Casburn:** Event on the 4<sup>th</sup> June at the Adelaide Oval for the celebration of Women in Rotary. Please see Jerry to book your seat.

**Stephen Baker:** Next week we are visiting the Planetarium at Mawson Lakes. Please confirm numbers with him this evening. Also on the 5<sup>th</sup> June OSSA are having a Fundraising Lunch at the Glenelg golf course. The guest speaker is the Governor His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC CSC RANR. Please see Stephen to make your booking.

**Bob Laws:** The Thrift Shop has vacancies to volunteers travelling or having other commitments. The days that have vacancies are listed below. Please check your diaries for you availability. Also, if you are unable to do you rostered shift, please try and fill the vacancy yourself. It is not the responsibility of Bob and Glenys to fill the void.

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Monday June 6 <sup>th</sup> pm      | 1 person needed | Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June pm | 1 person needed |
| Thursday June 9 <sup>th</sup> pm    | 1 person needed | Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June pm  | 1 person needed |
| Friday the 17 <sup>th</sup> June pm | 1 person needed | 29 <sup>th</sup> June pm           | 2 people needed |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June pm    | 1 person needed | 30 <sup>th</sup> June pm           | 2 people needed |

**Reno Elms:** Red Shield Appeal kicks off and he is looking for volunteers to help doorknock or assist in the shopping centre. Please see Reno if you can help out.

**Heather Kilsby:** A reminder to members to pay the account at the end of the meeting. If there is not enough money to pay the entire bill they will forward Heather a statement to finalise.

## Guest Speaker - Adrian Francis: "The Kalahari Experience"

Chairman Stephen Baker introduced guest speaker Adrian Francis. Adrian is a mathematics teacher who has been with Concordia College for 8 years. He coordinates the Kalahari program for the Southern Hemisphere. He had previously taught at private and public high schools. He was to be joined by student Theresa Davis but a car accident (not injurious) prevented her arrival.



Guest speaker Adrian Francis presented Pres. Joan with a citation recognising the club's contribution to the Kalahari Program.

In the Moshawang Valley of the Kalahari Desert (750k south west of Johannesburg) in South Africa there are hundred of displaced tribes people who live in abject poverty. In 1991 the Frankfurt Institute began a program of assistance. Over the years a number of schools from across the globe have joined in the effort. Adrian joined Concordia College to the program in 2009. There are three other Australian schools assisting.

Each year a contingent of teachers and students from the schools travel to South Africa to assist in the education of the children. The teachers instruct and the students mentor. In 2005 there were no Moshawang students who passed year 12 – last year 54% of year 12 students succeeded. While the team from Concordia concentrates on Year 10-12 students (who range in age from 16-26), other teams are assisting with the primary and middle schools. In addition to teaching, there have been physical improvements made to the schools (e.g. windows and blackboards) to make them more liveable.

The conditions in the region are harsh with extreme heat and cold. It is estimated that 60% of families are affected by AIDS. There is little or no work available. Many have to walk 15k to reach school.

With the success of the education program, attention is now being turned to building accommodation closer to school, sustainable agriculture, further education (TAFE-like) programs and business micro financing. The impact on the participating college students from Concordia has been dramatic.

Adrian presented a citation to President Joan Reed, thanking Unley Rotary for its assistance.

**Sergeant's Session** was capably done by David Middleton sparing no one in the room.

## Rotary News

### Dinner Celebrating Women in Rotary - Details

**Saturday 4th of June, 7:00 for 7:30 pm**

Members Dining Room, Adelaide Oval

**Cost: \$49.50 per head** (Includes welcome drinks and a two-course meal.)

Guest Speaker is Indigenous Rhodes Scholar Rebecca Richards who has previously been the recipient of an Indigenous Health Scholarship.

Bookings for this event can be made on line at [www.adelaiderotary.com.au/index.php/womenrotary.html](http://www.adelaiderotary.com.au/index.php/womenrotary.html)

**For further information contact AG Kym Harvey on 0435 014 403**

## Joint District Working Bee at Donations in Kind

From DG's Newsletter – May 2011 -- by Dave Cockshell, Chairman – DIK - Central Region

April 9th saw around 50 Rotarians and friends get stuck into cleaning up at the RAWCS Donations in Kind facility at Edinburgh Parks. 37 separate tasks were completed on the day under the watchful eye of the DG's from D9500 and D9520. Catering was managed by Rotarians from the RC of Onkaparinga.

It was great to have five new Rotaractors from the newly formed Flinders Rotaract club and this was the club's very first outing! The Rotaractors are all Flinders University students and had a lot of fun sorting out a lot of student desks and chairs.

We even made some money on the day – a trailer load of stainless steel to the scrap merchant netting some \$400. All in all it was a great day at Donations in Kind, with a lot of valuable work done on priority jobs.

I would like to thank all those who attended, all those who apologized, and the hardworking DIK committee who provided the direction on the day to ensure that everyone was engaged on the day with priority tasks.

## Rotaract Council tackles age limit, dues

Rotary International News -- 23 May 2011

About 350 Rotaractors voted on proposed recommendations for the RI Board on 20 May, including increasing the age limit for membership, collecting RI dues, and changing the program's name and emblem.

The first Rotaract Council, modeled after Rotary's Council on Legislation, allowed Rotaractors to vote on suggestions about which direction the program should go.

"This was a historic event," said Rotarian and council chair William Duane Benton. "There was excited participation by the Rotaractors. They took it seriously and had very thoughtful debates."

The Rotaractors approved 7 of 15 resolutions proposed by clubs worldwide. The resolutions will be reviewed by the 2011-12 Rotaract and Interact Committee then forwarded to the RI Board of Directors for its September meeting.

The council narrowly approved a recommendation to increase the program's upper age limit from 30 to 35. The clubs that submitted the proposal argued that increasing the limit would allow Rotaractors more time to establish their careers, easing the transition to becoming a Rotarian. Opponents felt it would only prolong the transition.

One Rotaractor said that at 35, he would find it difficult to relate to 18- and 19-year-old members.

In other decisions, the Rotaract Council:

- Rejected a resolution to require club members to pay dues to the district and RI. Proponents felt the measure would help fund current district and RI programs and prepare Rotaractors for the financial obligations of Rotary club membership. Opponents said current club fees and dues are enough, and any additional cost would deter people from joining.
- Approved a resolution to give club presidents and officers the opportunity to participate in district training events.
- Rejected a proposal to change the Rotaract emblem. Proponents argued that modernizing the emblem would make the program more relevant to younger generations. Opponents felt that changing the emblem would be costly and hurt the program's brand recognition. The group also rejected a proposal to change the program's name.

"This council is such a great catalyst for Rotaract to move forward in the right direction," said Andrea Tirone, a member of the Rotaract and Interact Committee. "We have a unique opportunity to provide input on issues that affect us directly."



Top: A Rotaractor makes a point during the Rotaract Council 20 May. Bottom: Angela Zurlo and Anne M. Campbell vote remotely on a resolution during the Council.

## Diary Dates

| Month | Day      | Date     | Activity Details                   | Venue                           | Enquiries     |
|-------|----------|----------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| June  | Saturday | 04/06/11 | <b>Celebrating Women in Rotary</b> | Adelaide Oval Members Dining Rm | AG Kim Harvey |
|       | Tuesday  | 28/06/11 | <b>Change Over Dinner</b>          | Kooyonga Golf Club              | Stephen Baker |

## Our Upcoming Meetings

| Date     | Venue                                                                                        | Time         | Occasion                                               | Chairman & Scribe | Plaque Board | Sergeant   | Attendance Desk       |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 31/05/11 | Adelaide Planetarium<br>Building P, Uni SA, Mawson Lakes Blvd, Mawson Lakes, then Cafe Primo | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>Visit to Adelaide Planetarium; Partners Event</b>   | D Mackrell        | N/A          | N/A        | C Sluggett & A Wehr   |
| 07/06/11 | Tiffins on the Park                                                                          | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>PDG Dick Cuttle:</b><br>"Victorian Bushfire Relief" | TBA               | S Baker      | C Schirmer | A Wehr & S Westgarth  |
| 14/06/11 | Tiffins on the Park                                                                          | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>Veronika Hollands:</b><br>"German Exchange Student" | TBA               | K Daly       | C Schirmer | S Westgarth & N White |
| 21/06/11 | <b>Joint Meeting with Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek</b><br>Edinburgh Hotel                  | 6 for 6.30pm | <b>Super Quiz Night</b>                                | N/A               | J Casburn    | N/A        | N White & W Andrews   |
| 28/06/11 | Kooyonga Golf Club                                                                           | 6.30 for 7pm | <b>Change Over Night</b>                               | TBA               | R Elms       | TBA        | W Andrews & S Baker   |

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**Meeting Chair Enquiries To:** Stephen Baker on 8379 7105 or email to [unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au](mailto:unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au)

**Venue Set-up/Plaque Board Enquiries To:** Bulletin Editor

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

## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: May-June 2011

| Week No. | Dates    | Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm    | Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm    |
|----------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4        | 28/05/11 | John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett | David Mackrell & Sheila Evans    |
| 5        | N/A      | Reno Elms & Bob Mullins         | Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed        |
| 1        | 04/06/11 | David Middleton & Jerry Casburn | Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth |
| 2        | 11/06/11 | Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod     | Wendy Andrews & Bob Laws         |
| 3        | 18/06/11 | Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed     | Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White  |

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

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# The Back Page

## Silly Sausage

"Doctor," a man told a psychiatrist, "my wife thinks I'm crazy because I like sausages."

"That's nonsense," said the psychiatrist. "I like sausages myself."

"You do!" the man shrieked. "You should come and see my collection. I've got thousands!"

## High Flyer

Out in the Kentucky hills, you don't see a lot of people hang gliding, but Old Zeke saved up and bought himself a rig. He carried it up the highest mountain, took off and was suddenly blissfully airborne.

Meanwhile, Ma and Pa Hicks were sitting on the veranda when Ma suddenly said, "Pa! That there's the biggest bird I've ever seen!"

Pa stood up. "Ma," he said, "get my gun."

Ma Hicks brought him the gun and he fired off several shots: Bang! Bang! Bang! But the enormous bird continued to sail silently over the treetops.

"I believe you missed him, Pa," Ma said.

"Yeah," Pa replied. "But at least he let go of Old Zeke."

## Naked Truth

An artist who specialised in nude portraits worked in a studio in his home. One day his model arrived and began to undress, only to be told by the artist not to bother taking off her clothes as he felt ill.

He added that he would pay her for the day, but he just wanted to have a hot drink and go to bed.

The model made a pot of tea and sat talking to the artist for a few minutes until they heard the front door being unlocked.

"Oh God!" hissed that artist. "It's my wife. Quick, get undressed!"



## Politically Correct

EU Directive 456179: In order to meet conditions for joining the single European currency, all citizens of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland must be made aware that the phrase "spending a penny" is not to be used any longer. The correct terminology will be "Euronating."

## A New Wine for Seniors

Heard on the grapevine: Vintners in California's Napa Valley area, which primarily produces Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir and Pinot Grigio wines, have developed a new hybrid grape that acts as an anti-diuretic. It is expected to reduce the number of trips older people have to make to the bathroom during the night. The new wine will be marketed as Pinot More!

## Mathematics

This comes from two maths teachers with a combined total of 70 yrs. experience. It has an indisputable mathematical logic. This is a strictly mathematical viewpoint.

It goes like this: What makes 100%? What does it mean to give more than 100%? Ever wonder about those people who say they are giving more than 100%? We have all been to those meetings where someone wants you to give over 100%. How about achieving 103%? What makes up 100% in life?

Here's a little mathematical formula that might help you answer these questions:

If: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z is represented as:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26,

then: **H-A-R-D-W-O-R-K** = 8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = **98%**

and **K-N-O-W-L-E-D-G-E** = 11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = **96%**

But, **A-T-T-I-T-U-D-E** = 1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = **100%**

and **B-U-L-L-S-H-I-T** = 2+21+12+12+19+8+9+20 = **103%**

and, look how far arse kissing will take you:

**A-R-S-E-K-I-S-S-I-N-G** = 1+18+19+5+11+9+19+19+9+14+7 = **122%**

So, one can conclude with mathematical certainty, that while **Hard Work** and **Knowledge** will get you close, and **Attitude** will get you there, it's the **Bullshit** and **Arse Kissing** that will put you over the top. Now you know why some people are where they are!

## The Very First "Senior Moment"



And **that's** what happened to the dinosaurs.

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

**BUILDING COMMUNITIES**

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