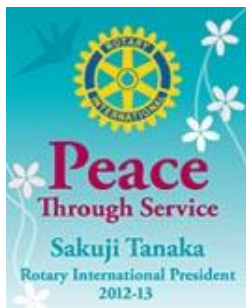


THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3816 – 3 July 2012

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DISTRICT 9520
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Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3816
Date	3 July 2012
Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Andy Robertson
Chairman	Wendy Andrews
Returning Rotarians	Nathan White, Wendy Andrews, Alex Jonson
Apologies	David Payne, Joan Reed, Anne Wehr, Sheila Evans
Anniversaries	-

Sergeant Bob Mullins opened proceedings for the 2012/13 year

President Stephen's Announcements

1. District Governor Roy Armstrong will be visiting on 30 October and it will be a partners' night.
2. Members are asked to provide feedback on the preferred means of accessing the DG's newsletter, which has been posted on the club's website (see the link in the Bulletins page); i.e. would members prefer to read the Newsletter in full or have snippets included in the weekly bulletin.
3. The proposed new Board will be put before the club in two weeks' time for approval.
In addition to the announcement at the Change Over [President elect - Greg McLeod, IPP – Sheila Evans, Secretary – Mavis Martin, Treasurer – Heather Kilsby, Membership Director – Geoff Hill] it is proposed that the Committee Directors will be: International - Alex Jonson, Community Service - Briony Lyon, Vocational - Nathan White; Wendy Andrews is to be Vice President.
4. The club's next meeting will be at BarZaar – members will then determine the best meeting venue(s) for the club.
5. The first Board meeting will be on 12 July at Mavis Martin's place.
6. The District Governor's Change Over dinner was well attended and Unley Rotary was represented by Jerry Casburn, Briony Lyon and Stephen Westgarth.



President Stephen

Guest Speaker – Andy Robertson on the Adelaide Central Market

Chair person Wendy Andrews introduced Andrew (Andy) Robertson who is the Assistant Market Manager of the Adelaide Central Market. He has been in this role since October 2011 managing 80 traders, building contractors, tradesmen, buskers, cleaning and security staff and even acts as Chief Fire Warden responsible for 2,000 people, in the most dynamic role he has had to date.

Previously, he was a Project Manager for the State Government's land asset management agency.

He is a qualified urban planner who is looking at the job with a strategic view as he attempts to enhance the facility, minimise waste, maximise renewable energy supply and maintain Adelaide Central Market as a great urban place.

The Adelaide Central Market is the fresh food section but does not include the plazas.

Colonel Light described a market site in the S.A. Act of 1847. In 1854 the Council established the first central fresh food market in Pirie St, but it was too small and abandoned. It was not until 1861 when entrepreneur Richard Vaughan filled the void with his popular East End Market. This soon became very congested.

The Council search for a site ended in 1867 with an agreement to buy Town Acre 333 and 334 Grote Street, and Town Acres at 379 and 380 Gouger St at a cost of 4000 pounds. On the 25th January 1870 the Central City Markets were officially opened, operating on Tuesdays and Saturdays with 50 – 100



Andy, Wendy, the Unley Rotary pen and the eternal flame

carts. The building had no roof but perimeter buildings were constructed in 1878. Fish markets were added in in 1890, and the Grote St facade built in 1900.

The surrounding arcades were built in 1915 and the first fire in the N.E. corner in 1925. During 1931 (Great Depression) the rents decreased by up to 20%.

There was a construction freeze from 1940 to 1960. The Coles redevelopment took place in 1965. A fire in 1977 damaged the southern end.

Today there are 80 stalls, 620 workers and 21 different languages spoken. 164,000 pass through the Markets each week.

Spots

Lindsay England announced that:

- The afternoon tea for thrift shop volunteers will be held at the Unley Community Centre on 29 July – as well as looking to members bringing a plate of food there will be an effort made to provide entertainment
- New carpet has arrived for the thrift shop and it will be progressively laid; the walls are being painted – it is intended to keep the shop open during this period
- A thrift shop committee meeting will follow the main meeting.

Jerry Casburn announced that each month there will be a social occasion organised – during July it will be a Bowling Night on 20 July and during August it will be support for the Noarlunga East Quiz Night.



Not Lindsay nor Jerry but they do have the money

Sergeant's Session

President Stephen started the year on just the right note by winning the infernal squares.

Sergeant Bob Mullins prosecuted all but the women with his fines, was merciless on bike riders in lycra, and told a few well travelled but amusing jokes.

President Stephen emphasized the importance of next week's meeting at BarZaar in making a decision on future meeting venue and closed the meeting at 8.14pm.

Rotary News

The view from Japan – President Tanaka

By John Rezek - The Rotarian -- July 2012

A smile erupts on his face when he says hello, bowing his head and adding a gentle chuckle. He moves among us gracefully – with his interpreter Eiko Terao in tow – maintaining his signature cheer without revealing whatever else might be on his mind. But he's probably thinking about Rotary. To hear him tell it, the only time Sakuji Tanaka is not thinking about Rotary is when he's sleeping and eating. And that only goes for when he is not dining with other Rotarians. "Rotary pretty much occupies my every waking moment," the new president of Rotary International playfully admits.

Tanaka says that his wife, Kyoko, would describe him as "a Rotary nut." A glance at his résumé supports this claim. He's been a member of the Rotary Club of Yashio, Japan, for 37 years and has served Rotary at every level, including district governor, training leader, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, member of the Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force and Future Vision Committee, chair of the 2009 Birmingham Convention Committee and Permanent Fund Committee for Japan, RI director, and Rotary Foundation trustee. Through it all, and after 49 years of marriage, Kyoko has been a willing companion on his Rotarian journey. Together, she and Tanaka are Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, and Major Donors. Although she doesn't speak English, he says his wife has a knack for communicating with people through gestures and body language, and that she is a "jolly, uplifting person."

The couple have also remained close throughout Tanaka's career in the wholesale industry. When scheduling conflicts have prevented him from attending business meetings, she has been known to stand in for him. When he is away from home, he calls her every day. The Tanakas have three grown children – a son and daughter who live in Japan, and a daughter who lives in Malaysia – and six grandchildren, with another on the way. The family gets together at the couple's home in Yashio every year for New Year's. "Being considerate and patient with your partner is the secret to a successful marriage," Tanaka says. "I'm a lucky man to have a wife who is so patient with me." He adds that in Japanese society, "men probably have more freedom to express their anger or their frustration than women do. I consciously try to be patient, not only with my wife but with other people."

Tanaka balances this patience with practiced efficiency. The former president of the National Household Papers Distribution Association of Japan says he has learned the value of a clean desk, in both a literal and virtual sense. He uses email extensively and maintains a lean inbox, saving only the messages he needs. "My personality is that of someone in a hurry," he says. "It's not my style to let things pile up. I like to get things done and move on."

However, in his home office, he has a 10-foot-long bookcase that houses both diaries and work documents. He doesn't let them accumulate for very long, he says, and periodically pitches large amounts of them when their utility to him has expired. In some cases, Rotary-specific material goes to his club.

When he is traveling, Tanaka says, the thing he misses most is his wife's cooking. She is, hands down, his favorite cook. He prefers Japanese food to all other cuisines, but notes that the versions he finds outside Japan do not measure up to what is available in his country. Ramen noodles taste different away from home, and it is difficult to find a satisfying sukiyaki. To make up for the culinary hardships of traveling, he often gravitates to other fare. He admits to a weakness for the distinctive taste of Korean barbecue, and Terao volunteers that you can always distract him with a bowl of spaghetti, as long as it is in a marinara or other red sauce. He favors it plain otherwise, as he faults food of any kind with "too much cheese." He has noticed America's growing passion for Japanese cuisine,



President Sakuji Tanaka

including the booming business that sushi restaurants enjoy in the United States, and thinks this speaks more to Americans' increasing concern about their health than an endorsement of the authentic food one would find in Japan.

Tanaka is not all business all the time, but even when he is in relaxation mode, he puts forth his best effort. During one evening of karaoke, he set a personal record by singing 54 consecutive songs, without a break. He recalls that three-hour crooning marathon with shy pride and quickly doubts that he would ever have the energy or stamina to do it again. But those who know him well may not be so quick to agree.

They might recall that not so long ago, Tanaka and a Rotarian friend began to clean the streets in their neighborhood. Tanaka would pull weeds, pick up litter, and cart the trash away. He would even remove the occasional dead dog or cat. "Before," he says, "there were some very dirty places. But people would see me and others spending the day cleaning the area in front of their houses. Eventually they would join in and, even better, would keep the area tidier on their own." What started as a two-man effort soon evolved into a project of the local Rotary clubs, which carried out a neighborhood cleanup once a month. This expanded into a communitywide effort, with 59 groups covering neighborhoods across Yashio twice a year, and the city's mayor coming out to participate and address the volunteers.

Tanaka has said that after joining the Yashio club, he realized that "by helping others, even in the simplest of ways, I could help to build peace. Peace, in all of the ways that we can understand it, is a real goal and a realistic goal for Rotary." He has established an endowed Rotary Peace Fellowship, and in January, he announced that he'd chosen *Peace Through Service* as the RI theme for his year. "Peace is not something that can only be achieved through treaties, by governments, or through heroic struggles," Tanaka said. "It is something that we can find and that we can achieve, every day and in many simple ways."

He later elaborated: "Peace and conflict resolution should start at home. The family is the smallest unit of society, so we should start from there. If you are mindful of peace with your partner and your family members, that gives you an opportunity to reflect on your family life and to spread that sense of peace by example. Peaceful families lead to greater peace for everyone."

The Japanese tradition of putting the needs of society above the needs of the individual parallels the Rotarian concept of Service Above Self, Tanaka says. He notes that this view has been instrumental in helping Japan rebuild after the tsunami and earthquake that ravaged the country in March 2011.

The cooperation among individuals throughout the recovery effort also presents a positive lesson that the world can learn from, he says. "I believe that Rotary is contributing to that lesson, especially in training and educating members of the younger generation through its Rotary Peace Centers. They will bear the personal responsibility to society and work to make the world a better place."

The Voice of Rotary

Broadcast on 1197 AM RPH Adelaide each Tuesday 7.30-8.00 am

From each Wednesday the broadcast program can be heard on-line at www.rphadelaide.org.au

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July Program

10/7/12	PDG Eric Russell	District 9520 – The year that was
17/7/12	PDG Bruce Richardson	District 9500 – The year that was
24/7/12	PDG John Rowe (Port Pirie)	Club Project – Bowel scan
31/7/12	Joanna Giles (Helping Others Grow Foundation)	Greening Nepal with Rotaract



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
October 2012	1 night	30	DG visit (partners night)	TBA
April 2013	3 days	25-28	District Conference	Tanunda
June	4 days	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
10/7/12	BarZaar 166 Unley Rd Unley	6 for 6.30pm	Committees	S Baker scribe	J Peacham	R Mullins	G McLeod D Middleton
17/7/12	TBA	6 for 6.30pm	Police Officer of the Year – Sergeant Caroline Bristow	S Baker	J Reed	R Mullins	D Middleton R Mills
24/7/12	TBA	6 for 6.30pm	Anthea Rice – Autism SA	tba	J Russell	R Mullins	R Mills J Newall

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Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to storage.

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: July 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	07/07/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	14/07/12	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	21/07/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	28/07/12	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	Sheila Evans
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed

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

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