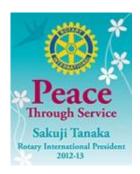
# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3821 - 7 August 2012

Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au



# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520 CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935

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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at 6.30pm - Fellowship at 6.00pm

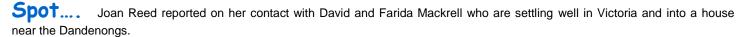
Venue - Public Schools Club, 207 East Terrace, Adelaide



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Guest Speakers	Georgia Margonis and Kristina Lowndes		
Chairman	Stephen Baker		
Guests	Trish and Vag Margonis		
Apologies	Heather Kilsby, David Payne, Geoff Hill, Janet and Rohan Singh		

## President Stephen's Announcements

- 1. **Insurance and Risk Management Seminar:** This is a reminder of the Insurance/Risk Seminar being held on Sunday 19th August at the Glenelg Community Centre, Colley Terrace, Glenelg. Registrations at 8.45am start 9am and finish 12 noon. Please let Jerry Casburn know a.s.a.p. if you will be attending.
- 2. **National Youth Science Forum:** A letter of thanks has been received from Leone Immelman who has been selected to attend the forum in Perth.
- 3. Rotary Peace Forum Districts 9500 & 9520: The joint Districts will be holding a PEACE Forum in Adelaide on February 23rd, 2013. It is anticipated that the event will be attended by all Rotarians, Rotaractors, RYLArians, etc. The event will be from 1-4pm on the Saturday followed by a Peace Dinner at the Adelaide Oval. The forum will be addressed by a number of high profile speakers. Diarise!
- 4. Walk a Mile in My Boots Friday 10 August 2012: A number of clubs are supporting this cause. If you want to contribute, contact District Secretary Jerry Casburn for details. Over 2,000 people walked past Hutt Street Centre for Walk a Mile in My Boots in 2011. It was heart-warming for everyone involved, but especially for those people who come to the centre every day. Many homeless people joined the walk, others volunteered to set up the start or helped cook breakfast for walkers at the finish line. Some were just happy to cheer and greet walkers as they passed by the Centre. It truly is an event that brings people together regardless of their circumstances.
- 5. **President's Report for 2011-2012:** Past President Sheila Evans' report will be available from Wednesday in the Members Area of the club's website.
- 6. **Group 6 Quarterly Presidents Meeting:** On Thursday 2 August the President attended this meeting. Several clubs were interested to hear how Unley had been faring in finding a suitable meeting venue as some other clubs are unhappy with their venues. Three of the Group 6 clubs are working on a joint project to conduct RYDA programs for Unley High School and Mitcham Girls High School students. This project could be of interest to either the Community or Vocational and Youth Committees.



## Guest Speaker - Georgia Margonis and Kristina Lowndes:

## Rotary Australia New Zealand Student Exchange

Chair person Stephen Baker introduced our two guest speakers. Georgia is a Year 10 student at Concordia College. She is studying English, Science, Christian Studies, Maths, Drama Tech Studies, Phys Ed, German and Geography. She plays a number of musical instruments and is a top notch netballer. Trish, Vag and Chris Margonis are her family. Georgia has already spent 3 months with her host New Zealand family and has returned with Kristina Lowndes her exchange counterpart. Kristina lives in Auckland with Mum and Dad Paul and Lisa Lowndes and brother Max and attends the Diocesan School for Girls. She also studies a host of subjects similar to Georgia. She enjoys jazz dancing, netball and underwater hockey.



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Georgia found her time in NZ very rewarding. There was an Australian contingent of 7 Australian exchange students visiting the northern island. Her time at the Diocesan all girls school was very focused on studies and sport. Highlights of her trip included the Safari to Lake Taupo and Rotorua. Her Lowndes exchange family was a very warm host and took her to a number of memorable places/experiences including Bethel Lake, Snow Planet, an All Blacks – Ireland rugby match, bungee jumping, boating and skiing in the Bay of Islands and paddle boarding.

Kristina Lowndes explained that her school in East Auckland had 1400 students and an envious record for scholastic and sporting achievement. Her brother Max is a top young rower. She enjoys netball, rowing and underwater hockey and her dog honey and cat sparkle. The student exchange was seen as a great way to overcome her natural shyness and meet new and interesting people. Her parents had already hosted several overseas students. Since coming to Adelaide she had been on a houseboat and particularly enjoyed pelican watching. Cleland Conservation Park and Mt Lofty visits were happy occasions. A bonding weekend at Strathalbyn had been special despite the inclement weather. She felt that schooling at her all-girls school was perhaps a better learning environment without the



Total happiness with a Rotary pen each

distractions of boys.....but was really enjoying the change at Concordia and the opportunity to play netball with traditional rivals.

Kristina presented President Stephen with the small flag from the Rotary Club of East Auckland – the host NZ club. Stephen Baker promised to reciprocate when our flag has been produced!!!!

Georgia and Kristina were warmly applauded.

# Sergeant's Session

Jim Newell won the infernal squares....nice change to get it out of the hands of the executive and guest speakers. One could not but feel sorry for our respected Sergeant Bob who suffered from a poor selection of jokes supplied by Jerry (appropriately fined) and the ongoing burden of Power failure (again appropriately fined). It was a benign night for fines.

Meeting closed at 7.55pm

# Rotary News

# Vocational training team shares expertise with Aga Khan University faculty in Uganda

By Dan Nixon - Rotary International News -- 9 July 2012

Members of a vocational training team shared their expertise in nursing education with faculty at Aga Khan University's School of Nursing and Midwifery recently. The training team, the first funded by a Rotary Foundation <u>packaged grant</u>, visited the campus in Kampala, Uganda, 27 February-12 March. Led by physician and Past District Governor Matthias Oladeinde Shoga, the three nurse educators from Nigeria trained their counterparts in teaching practices that promote student learning and improve effectiveness in education.

The training covered research techniques, the use of anatomical models, simulated classroom situations, and how to assess students' attitudes through body language. "To demonstrate their acquired experience, the faculty conducted classes for students with the team in attendance as observers," says Shoga. "The [VTT] experience was enriching for both the team and the university, as we had things to learn from each other."

#### Maternal and child health

The Foundation entered a strategic partnership with Aga Khan University last year, creating new opportunities for Rotarians to serve in the maternal and child health area of focus. Packaged grants are available under the Foundation's Future Vision grant model.

The team also met Dr. Yasmin Amarsi, dean of the school, who describes the launch of the partnership between the university and The Rotary Foundation through the VTT as a "history-making opportunity" to help improve maternal and child health in East Africa. She notes that it was particularly significant that the first VTT came to the university from another African country to forge stronger continental links and to learn from each other's experiences.

Team members also participated in a community service project sponsored by the Rotary Club of Muyenga, assisting the treatment of patients at a health clinic in Kassamu Kyali. The clinic is part of a large, sustainable Foundation grant project active in three areas of focus. It has established a clean water system, a bakery, a goat-breeding program, a vocational center where women sew dresses and uniforms for orphans and free mosquito bed nets for the community, and a solar-powered cold-chain facility that stores vaccines. The effort is sponsored by the Muyenga club and the Rotary Club of Genk-Noord, Belgium. "This was a revelation -- to see a single project touching so many areas of the lives of the inhabitants," says Shoga.



Dr. Yasmin Amarsi welcomes VTT leader Matthias Oladeinde Shoga

In addition, team members conducted a prenatal and health education clinic at the Mpigi Health Center, which serves about 120,000 people in an area near Kampala.

#### **Understanding Rotary**

As a result of the VTT, team members say they have gained a better understanding of Rotary and have since become involved in service projects with their sponsor clubs. "One of the team members has shown interest in joining her sponsor club," says Shoga. "All have been invited to join the Rotary Foundation alumni association [and] are enthusiastic about joining." As for future contacts between the VTT and Aga Khan University, Shoga says the university's faculty are committed to continuing to improve their skills as educators and excited to be part of opportunities that offer outside assistance.

"Our findings of a survey made of students and faculty, as well as recommendations of the team, have been [provided] for future use by the faculty," says Shoga. "The VTT plans to remain connected to the nursing education faculty at Aga Khan University."

## 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 Information available from Rotarian Chris Hughes (Burnside);

Tel: (08) 8379 4633; Mob: 0418 835 977 and John Cox (Nth Adelaide); Email: emandcee@bigpond.com

August Program

14/8/12	PP Peter Mayer (Morialta)	IMOG – Club Projects in East Timor
21/8/12	PP Mike Reilley (Brownhill Creek)	Fencing Project at Monarto Zoo
28/8/12	Rtn Frank Orlando (Campbelltown)	Rotary – A Good Choice



## **Diary Dates**

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
October 2012	Tuesday	30	DG visit (partners night)	TBA
February 2013	Saturday	23	9500/9520 Community Peace Forum	TBA
April	Thursday to Sunday	25-28	District Conference	Tanunda
June	Sunday to Wednesday	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	& Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Desk
14/8/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Rajini Vasan & Matthew Carey – Blind Sporting Council	M Martin	R Singh	R Mullins	J Russell C Schirmer
21/8/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Simon Lee – Asthma Foundation	tba	A Wehr	R Mullins	C Schirmer J Singh
28/8/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	<b>Michelle Hickey</b> – Adelaide Repertory Theatre	N White	W Andrews	R Mullins	R Singh A Wehr

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Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Nathan White 0424 608 699 or email to unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au

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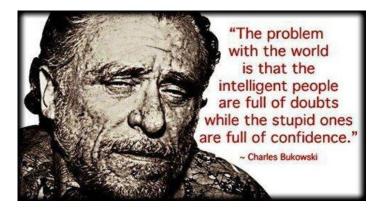
# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: August 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm	
2	11/08/12	Stephen Baker & Glenyss Ferguson (replacing Greg McLeod)	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin	
3	18/08/12	Jerry Casburn (replacing Glenys Ferguson) & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White	
4	25/08/12	Chandra Sluggett + ?	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines	
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed & David Pisoni	
1	01/09/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth	

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact: Lindsay England: 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: <a href="mailto:lengland@senet.com.au">lengland@senet.com.au</a>

## On the Back Page

### The ultimate truth





## In good hands

I've sure gotten old!

I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes.

I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts.

Have bouts with dementia.

Have poor circulation, hardly feel my hands and feet anymore.

Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92.

Have lost all my friends.

But, thank God, I still have my driver's licence.

## 40 years of marriage

A married couple in their early 60s were celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary in a quiet, romantic little restaurant. Suddenly, a tiny yet beautiful fairy appeared on their table.

She said, 'For being such an exemplary married couple and for being loving to each other for all this time, I will grant you each a wish.'

The wife answered, 'Oh, I want to travel around the world with my darling husband.'

The fairy waved her magic wand and - poof! - two tickets for the Queen Mary II appeared in her hands.

The husband thought for a moment: 'Well, this is all very romantic, but an opportunity like this will never come again. I'm sorry my love, but my wish is to have a wife 30 years younger than me.

The wife and the fairy, were deeply disappointed, but a wish is a wish.

So the fairy waved her magic wand and poof!...the husband became 92 years old.

The moral of this story: Men who are ungrateful bastards should remember that fairies are female.

