

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3856 – 23 April 2013 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

## **Our Last Meeting**

| Venue              | Public Schools Club  |
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| Event              | The great debate between Unley and Hyde Park Rotary Clubs  |
| Chairman           | Stephen Westgarth  |
| Apologies          | Reno Elms, Colin Schirmer, Nino Malvetti   |
| Guests             | Visiting Rotarian Colin and Pauline Hill (Magill Sunrise), Debate Adjudicator Robin Genders, Glenyss Steedman, Richard Taylor,16 members & 1 guest of Hyde Park Rotary |
| Departing Rotarian | Geoff Hill   |
| Attendance         | 24 members and 22 guests   |
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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Public Schools Club Venue: 207 East Terrace

Adelaide

Proceedings commenced with President Stephen opening the meeting, welcoming the assembled guests and providing a short history of the Ron Schubert Debating Trophy. Hyde Park's President Robert Handley opened his club's meeting 1554 and reciprocated the welcome.

## President Stephen's Announcements

Yellow Brick Road: The organisers of the Yellow Brick Road at the Adelaide Royal Show are in the process of organising the stands for this year's Show from 6th - 14th September 2013. Any Clubs who may be interested in participating are asked to make a commitment of time available and each Club will then ensure that the required number of staff be at the designated point each and every time they are rostered. Yellow Brick Road will manage the rosters and liaise with a person appointed from each Club. 32 people are needed each day for the first 3 days (Fri-Sun) and the last 2 days (Fri & Sat) and 24 people for the other 4 days. Rotarians, partners and friends of Rotary would be most welcome. The minimum age is 16 but there's no upper age limit. It is a relatively easy job with minimal lifting and a great opportunity for some fun and fellowship while earning some funds for your Club. Everyone is covered by Rotary insurance as this is considered to be a Club fundraiser. Volunteers will sell the Yellow Brick Road bag, which contains the map, and then the purchasers collect the products from the designated stands throughout the Showgrounds. Club liaison will be through Greg McLeod. The club registration is at <a href="http://e.mybookingmanager.com/httpe.mybookingmanager.com2013YellowBrickRoad/">http://e.mybookingmanager.com/httpe.mybookingmanager.com/httpe.mybookingmanager.com2013YellowBrickRoad/</a>. Each Club will again be paid \$13 per person per hour. Any enquiries to Barbara Wheatcroft: Ph: 8358 1625 (home) Mob: 0413 511 243 Email: barbara.wheatcroft@bigpond.com.



Foundation event to be held on Saturday 18th May 2013 at 6.30 for 7.00pm at Morphettville Junction, 470 Anzac Highway, Camden Park. Cost is \$48pp including a pre-dinner drink. A cash bar is available.

D9520 Rotary Foundation Celebration Dinner: This is advance notice of a Rotary



President Stephen



The guest speaker for the event will be Sangluaia, a D9520 Peace Fellow from Burma. We were delighted to be invited to mentor and sponsor Sangluaia as our D9520 2013 Peace Fellow because Burma is a non-Rotary country. We were thrilled when he was selected as one of only 50 in the world. He will take up his studies at the University of Bradford in August this year. Sangluaia is employed by UNHCR and based in North Rakhine state. He works on the frontline in the dispute between the Rohinya stateless Muslims and the Rakhine Buddhists. You will have heard or read in the news of the thousands of houses burnt and families made homeless, as well as hundreds of people killed in the violence. Sangluaia, a Christian, is an outstanding speaker whose first hand stories will provide a memorable night highlighting the good that Rotary can do in the world. Further information: PDG Euan Miller euanm@internode.on.net 0401 124 387.

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Movie Fundraising Night: A movie fundraising night featuring The Big Wedding is being held on Friday 24th May at the Capri Theatre Goodwood. The cost is \$25 per person; 6:00pm for Complimentary Drinks and Nibbles and the movie feature screens at 7:00pm. Tickets are available from: David Rusk 0488 008 863 or Denise Roscrow 0414 358 106 or Margaret Congram 0434 378 214. All proceeds to the Friends of Nepal Orphanage Building Project. This humanitarian project is supported by Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) Project 25-2012-13 all donations are tax deductible.

The Hutt Street Centre Comedy Night: The Rotary Clubs of Kent Town and St Peters are holding a Comedy Night to raise funds for the Hutt Street Centre on Tues 14th May, 6.30pm at the Hutt Street Centre (258 Hutt Street, Adelaide); Cost: \$25 includes complimentary glass of wine on entry and finger food by Brenda. There will also be an Art Auction, Silent Auction, Raffles and prizes to be won. For ticket sales and information please email or call Steven Hayter – steven.hayter@gmail.com or 0419 836 090.

**Pianist Konstantin Shamray in Concert:** The St Peter's Girls School Arts Centre will play host to Konstantin Shamray on Thursday, May 16th at 7.30 p.m. Konstantin, as a past recipient, has offered this performance to support the Rotary Club of Burnside's Carpe Diem Trust. Amongst his many career highlights, he won the Sydney International Piano Competition in 2008 with six special prizes, putting his international career on a strong upwards trajectory. The concert shall include a four hands performance of Schubert's beautiful 'Fantasie in F minor' together with his partner, Mekhla Kumar. Cost is \$15.00 per adult and \$10.00 under 18 years. On line bookings: www.trybooking.com/46214.

**Red Shield Appeal:** We have all been invited to the launch of this year's Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal in Unley at the Unley Shopping Centre on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 3.30pm.

#### The Debate - "That on-line shopping poses a serious risk to retail therapy"



Hyde Park's team of Susie Kay, Julian Lugg and Neville Highett

The affirmative team from Hyde Park (Susie Kay, Julian Lugg and Neville Highett) and our negative team (Ken Haines, Briony Casburn and Sheila Evans) were introduced. Adjudicator Robin Genders outlined the rules.

It is a little hard to summarise the full proceedings of the debate so decided not to!

Susie (or is it Suzy) raised the spectre of on-line shopping as a second rate way of purchasing goods, often full of difficulty and fear.



The goodies – Sheila Evans, Briony Casburn and Ken Haines

Ken captivated the audience with his resume of just how good on-line shopping could be for the purchase of snake poo, travelling tickets and an extra pair of shoes he did not need.

Julian inaccurately criticized Ken's contribution and then concentrated on the therapy aspect of hands-on retail shopping (almost said it was better than sex) in comparison with the soullessness of the internet.

Briony educated the audience on how on-line shopping was enhancing her business and how the internet shopping option was vital for those with disabilities or those unable to reach shops.

Neville launched an unwarranted attack on the opposition and explained how taking his grandsons to Bunnings for retail therapy was so important...actually failed to mention that Grandma wanted the little angels out of the house. The initiative of the night was his presentation of chocolate rabbits to everyone in the room. That was unbeatable, particularly as they were made in Germany rather than China.



The Prez with some of the bunny bribes

Sheila in the face of this blatant bribery rightly alluded to the bunnies from Hyde Park. In summarizing the opposition's theme she compellingly argued about the virtues of choice, economy, convenience and world-wide shopping through the internet.

Adjudicator Robin Genders awarded the debate to Hyde Park for their emphasis on retail therapy.....victory by a hair's (hare's?) breadth!



Stephen presenting the Ron Schubert Trophy to Susie



HP President Rob presenting the Ned Kelly trophy to Ken



Joan explaining to Robin why he got it wrong and why he deserves 1.03 bottles of wine

## **Spots**

**Colin Hill** from Magill Sunrise Rotary Club announced that his club would again be running **The Reel Event** which comprises a series of short films from South Australian Film-makers on Wednesday 29 May at the Capri Cinema Goodwood. Food and wine will be served from 6.30pm and the films start at 7.30pm, followed by a Q&A of the Filmmakers. Tickets at \$25 can be booked on-line <a href="www.trybooking.com/46561">www.trybooking.com/46561</a> or contact Pamela Williams 8362 2694. Last year was a great success.

Stephen Westgarth on behalf of Greg McLeod urged members to purchase the Entertainment Books.

**Jerry Casburn** announced that the BBQ at Bunnings next Monday 29 April would be organized by Ken Haines and Alex Jonson, with help from Jim Newall to set up. Morning shift comprises the two Kens, Lindsay and Stephen B, afternoon Alex, Ken H, Colin and Stephen B.

**Joan Reed** challenged the debate result but thanked Robin Genders for his adjudication and presented him with 1.3 bottles of wine.

**Sergeant Bob Mullins** with the assistance of Robin Genders selected Ken Daly as the winner of the appalling squares....his reward a bottle of red!

Warm thanks were provided by Presidents Stephen and Robert for the quality of the debate, the adjudication and the participation in what was a fun filled event.

The meetings of the respective clubs closed at 8.12pm.

## **Rotary News**

# Historic Moments: The life of Rotary founder Paul Harris

By Lauren Kalal and Stephanie Giordano Rotary News -- 19 April 2013

Born in Racine, Wisconsin, USA, on 19 April 1868, Paul P. Harris was the second of six children of George N. and Cornelia Bryan Harris. At age three, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents, Howard and Pamela Harris. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891.

While he was in school, both of Harris's grandparents died, and he spent the five years after graduation traveling around the country and working odd jobs. After arriving penniless in San Francisco in 1891, he worked as a reporter for the *San Francisco Chronicle* and then as a ranch hand, grape picker, actor, and cowboy. He was also a hotel night clerk in Jacksonville, Florida, and a traveling marble and granite salesman.

In 1896, he settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Along with Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey, he founded the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905 and was elected its president in 1907.



Paul Harris' childhood home in Wallingford, Vermont, USA

Club membership grew rapidly. Many members were originally from small towns and found an opportunity for fellowship in the Chicago club. Harris was convinced that the club could be expanded into a service movement and strove to extend Rotary to other communities.

In 1910, he met Jean Thomson during an outing with the Prairie Club, a Chicago-based organization for wilderness enthusiasts. Harris and Thomson married three months later and settled on Chicago's South Side. In the same year, the National Association of Rotary Clubs was formed, and Harris was elected its first president. He held the office for two years and afterward became president emeritus, serving as the public face of the organization and promoting membership extension and service around the world.

He wrote several books about Rotary and his life and travels, including *The Founder of Rotary* and *This Rotarian Age*. In addition to his work with Rotary, Harris was involved in other civic organizations, including the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry, City Club of Chicago, Chicago Bar Association, Prairie Club, and Easter Seals. He was also recognized by the Boy Scouts of America and honored by the governments of Brazil, Chile, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, and Peru.

Harris died on 27 January 1947, leaving a rich legacy of fellowship, professionalism, service, and friendship. His passing also sparked an outpouring of donations to The Rotary Foundation from all over the world, allowing the Foundation to greatly expand its programs and services.

#### **Diary Dates**

| Year | Month | Day        | Date  | Activity Details               | Venue             |
|------|-------|------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| 2013 | Apr   | Thu to Sun | 25-28 | District Conference            | Tanunda           |
|      | May   | Fri        | 3     | GSE Team Returning from Taiwan | Norwood Town Hall |
|      |       | Tues       | 21    | Police Officer of the Year     | Glenelg Golf Club |
|      | Jun   | Sun to Wed | 23-26 | RI Convention                  | Lisbon, Portugal  |

## **Our Upcoming Meetings**

| Date     | Venue                            | Time                         | Occasion                                | Chairman<br>& Scribe          | Plaque<br>Board | Sergeant  | Attendance<br>Desk      |
|----------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| 30/04/13 | Public Schools Club              | 6 for 6.30pm                 | Quiz night with Aireborough Rotary Club | M Martin                      | H Kilsby        | R Laws    | D Payne<br>J Reed       |
| 07/05/13 | Public Schools Club              | 6 for 6.30pm                 | ТВА                                     | TBA                           | R Laws          | R Mullins | J Reed<br>J Russell     |
| 14/05/13 | Public Schools Club              | 6 for 6.30pm                 | Club Assembly                           | S Westgarth<br>Scribe S Baker | G McLeod        | R Mullins | J Russell<br>C Schirmer |
| 21/05/13 | Rundle Mall<br>Glenelg Golf Club | 12 for 12.30pm<br>7 for 7.30 | SA Police Officer of the Year<br>Award  | TBA                           | D Middleton     | N/A       | C Schirmer<br>A Wehr    |

Set up &

Apologies To: Wendy Andrews by e-mail to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on 8377 7830

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

Venue Set-up/Bar Enquiries To: Bulletin Editor - Stephen Baker on 8379 7105

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## Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT 29 April Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

# 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: <a href="mailto:emandcee@bigpond.com">emandcee@bigpond.com</a>



April - May 2013 Program

| 30/4/13 | PDG Peter Rostron (Tea Tree Gully)            | A Sanitation Project in the Philippines |
|---------|---|---|
| 7/5/13  | Retd Rtn John McMillan                        | Experience of Rotary in South Africa    |
| 14/5/13 | PP Trevor McGuirk                             | Clean water with the Point One Filter   |
| 21/5/13 | Joanna Giles (Helping Others Grow Foundation) | Greening Nepal with Rotaract – Part 2   |
| 28/5/13 | Rtn Jock Thornton (Burnside)                  | Rotary in the Long Term                 |

#### Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### April - May 2013

| Week No. | Dates    | Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm    | Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm              |
|----------|----------|---------------------------------|--|
| 4        | 27/04/13 | Wendy Andrews & Pam Trimmer     | Geoff Hill (for Sheila Evans) & Ken Haines |
| 5        |          | Bob Mullins & Reno Elms         | Joan Reed & David Pisoni                   |
| 1        | 04/05/13 | David Middleton & Jerry Casburn | Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth               |
| 2        | 11/05/13 | Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker     | Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin               |
| 3        | 18/05/13 | Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed     | Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White            |
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Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact: Lindsay England: 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: <a href="mailto:lengland@senet.com.au">lengland@senet.com.au</a>

## The Back Page

#### Great memories

**1.** A mortician was working late one night. He examined the body of Mr. Schwartz, about to be cremated, and made a startling discovery.

Schwartz had the largest private part he had ever seen! 'I'm sorry Mr. Schwartz,' the mortician commented, 'I can't allow you to be cremated with such an impressive private part. It must be saved for posterity.' So, he removed it, stuffed it into his briefcase, and took it home.

'I have something to show you won't believe,' he said to his wife, opening his briefcase. 'My God!' the wife exclaimed, 'Schwartz is dead!'

**2.** Three ancient grannies were sitting on a bench outside a nursing home when an elderly grandpa walked by. And one of the grandmas yelled out, "We bet we can tell exactly how old you are."

The old man said, "There is no way you can guess it, you old fools."

One of the grannies said, "Sure we can! Just drop your pants and undo your shorts and we can tell your exact age."

Embarrassed just a little, but anxious to prove they couldn't do it, he dropped his drawers.

The grandmas asked him to first turn around a couple of times and to jump up and down several times. Then they all piped up and said, "You're 87 years old!"

Standing with his pants down around his ankles, the old gent asked, "How in the world did you guess?" Slapping their knees and grinning from ear to ear, the three old ladies happily yelled in unison... "We were at your birthday party yesterday!"

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