

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3863 – 11 June 2013 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

## Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Rotarian David Rusk PHF (RC Brownhill Creek)
Chairman	Alex Jonson
Apologies	Geoff Hill, Nino Malvetti, Mavis Martin, Joan Reed, Nathan White & Vera Holt (in dentis extremis)
Returning Rotarian	Lindsay England
Departing Rotarian	John Russell
Anniversaries	Inductions – Reno Elms and Jerry Casburn (14 June), Alex Jonson (18 June)
Attendance	20 members and 2 guests

# Rotary Club of Unley Inc. District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club

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## International Night - Presidential Opening

Each year Unley Rotary sets aside one meeting as its International Night when we focus on the International Avenue of Service. This is particularly important this Rotary Year with its theme of "Peace Through Service" when we turn our attention to ways to bring a greater peace to the lives of people in communities around the world.

A key vehicle for achieving the goal of Peace Through Service is The Rotary foundation and the opportunities it brings to assemble the resources of Rotary's own charitable fund with the fundraising efforts of clubs in rich and poor nations and those in between. Through matching grants we have seen our own contributions to worthwhile projects leveraged so that with Rotarians in other clubs we can achieve amazing things.

This year our International Night casts a light on bringing peace to disadvantaged children in Nepal. An exciting project to construct a new school in Kathmandu will enable 'untouchable' children to be educated without the pressures of caste intolerance and discrimination. Our meeting tonight provides an opportunity for us to think about what we can do to bring peace where there is an apparent and solvable need.



President Stephen

# President Stephen's Announcements

Rotary Leadership Institute is a general educational program, which starts well before Rotarians may wish to take on more demanding Club leadership roles. It ensures Rotarians have a good grounding in Rotary whilst developing their greater leadership skills. Applications are called for the next course starting on August 3. District already has 12 nominations for this course, most of whom are waitlisted from the earlier course so an additional facilitator has been appointed to allow for a larger course. However, clubs and Rotarians interested in attending

Peace
Through Service
Sakuji Tanaka
Rotary International President
2012-13

should register as soon as possible at <a href="http://e.mybookingmanager.com/Rotary-RLI-Spring-2013">http://e.mybookingmanager.com/Rotary-RLI-Spring-2013</a>; contact President Stephen for further details.

**Emergency Medical Information Booklets:** As a Community Service Project initiated by the Rotary Clubs of Tea Tree Gully, Modbury and Golden Grove, The Emergency Medical Information Booklet is now being used in every state of Australia. The EMIB was developed by a Paramedic for Paramedics as a record of a patient's medical history and medications, which then allows Paramedics to start treatment on arrival. If a patient is transported to hospital or medical centre all the information required for admittance is written in the Emergency Information Booklet. Two Community Service organisations, **Rotary** and Lions, are promoting the EMIB. Order forms can be downloaded from the website at **www.emib.org,au.** 

#### Notice to Paul Harris Fellows

Paul Harris Fellows are asked to wear their PHF regalia to the Change Over Dinner on Tue 25<sup>th</sup> June.

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# Guest Speaker - David Rusk: RAWCS Nepal Dalit Women's Uplift Centre Orphanage School Project ......'Small Voices, Big Dreams'

Chairman Alex Jonson provided a fulsome introduction of David Rusk and his passion for the people of Nepal. David has been a Rotarian for 15 years and has served as President of Blackwood and Brownhill Creek Rotary Clubs. In a former life he was a secondary school principal and has always believed in providing life changing opportunities for kids... which he is now putting into practice in Nepal. David was a key note speaker at the recent District Conference.

David provided a graphic account of the conditions prevailing in Nepal with extreme levels of pollution and over 50% living below the poverty line of \$1 per day. But even in the very poorly equipped schools there is hope and happiness.

In 2000, D 9520 Rotarian, Glenda Hedley, attended a Rotary Population and Development World Conference as Australia's representative. At the conference she had a conversation with Rotarian, Lachhe Bahadur, a school Principal from Kathmandu, Nepal. Lachhe talked to her about the problems he faced in his school in the areas of literacy and teacher training. Through the Rotary Clubs of Blackwood and Brownhill Creek in partnership with the Rotary Club of Dillibazar there have been 4 scholarships for Nepalese teachers to learn and observe Australian teaching methods.

During his visits to Nepal he has run training and development programs for principals, educational leaders and teachers – this is always well received and appreciated by the teachers. David has engaged with Pulteney



Alex thanking David for his address

Grammar College to form a friendship with Blue Sky Public School – last year he took a number of students to Nepal and PGC is about to host a Nepalese student. School books have been collected and stored at Pasadena High School for Blue Sky.

Rotaract is popular and growing in Nepal. He talked with Rotaractors, has run training programs for them and established links between the Rotaract Club of Dillibazar and the Rotaract Club for Global Peace, Australia at Thebarton Senior College in Adelaide. He has sponsored a young Rotaractor, Sanjeev Dahal, through his university studies in Nepal. Sanjeev won outstanding student awards and gold medals for his Bachelor and Masters degrees in Social Work and is now Assistant Director and Senior Lecturer in Social Work at Thames International College in Kathmandu. In 2012 he was selected as a GSE team member to Washington State, USA and is currently in the process of applying to be a Rotary Peace Scholar in 2014/2015.

David's current project, supported by RAWCS, is to build a school adjacent to an Orphanage at Golfutar, on the outskirts of Kathmandu. The Deprived Women's Upliftment Centre Orphanage aims to provide a safe, secure and loving home for about 100 poor, abandoned and orphaned Dalit (Untouchable) girls and boys, aged 3 to 17. Mother Rajan is the remarkable Founder and Coordinator of the Orphanage, which operates under a non-profit, non-government social organisation fighting for caste equality and justice for Untouchable women and children in Nepal. The orphanage is a wonderful, warm and welcoming place. He produced a video of it for the Conference. The video link is <a href="http://vimeo.com/60518476">http://vimeo.com/60518476</a>. David said his involvement in Nepal had been a rich and rewarding experience which he would continue to pursue.

David was thanked by acclamation.

#### **Spots**

Wendy Andrews announced that there were still 4 spots (Thursday and Saturday) to be filled on the Art Exhibition roster.

Lindsay England refreshed from holidays mentioned again that he would like a member to take over the rostering at the Thrift Shop, and Briony Casburn agreed to fill in for Neesha Nandasena next Saturday.

Stephen Westgarth presented Centurion certificates to Briony and Jerry Casburn.

**Bob Laws** volunteered to help Colin Schirmer cart away the rubbish in the trailer at the Thrift Shop.

Sheila Evans reminded members of the opening next Friday at 6.30pm Fullarton Park Centre.

## Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mullins breezily opened his session with 'Hello playmates,' and there was universal joy when Stephen Baker won the wonderful squares. There were a number of high charged moments of happiness and admissions...perhaps the best was when Wendy A cross-fined Alex J who mentioned that a person helping to drop off paintings for the Art Exhibition looked awfully like Anne Wills...and it actually was.

President Stephen closed the meeting at 8.06pm.

### **Rotary News**

#### Three-day event provides free health care to thousands in Africa

By Arnold R. Grahl - Rotary News -- 5 June 2013

In 1994, Marion Bunch lost her son, Jerry, to AIDS. It was early in the U.S. AIDS epidemic, and the stigma of the disease kept her from talking about her son's illness with anyone but family members. But three years later, Bunch recalls feeling a tap on her shoulder and hearing a voice telling her to "get up and get going."

"It was an epiphany ... that completely altered the course of my life," she says.

Within a year, Bunch, a member of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody, Georgia, proposed an idea to her club, and through Rotary, began bringing together community and professional leaders who shared her passion for disease prevention in general. That was the start of Rotarians for Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA), a Rotarian Action Group that received recognition from the RI Board in 2004.

**Health Days:** Last month, the group held its third annual Rotary Family Health Days in Africa. Rotarians from 365 Rotary clubs fanned out across Uganda, Nigeria, and South Africa to help medical professionals and government workers provide free health services to 250,000 disadvantaged people.



Bongi Ngema-Zuma, first lady of South Africa, helps coax a child to open his mouth for the oral polio vaccine at the Levai Mbatha Community Health

The event included polio and measles immunizations, dental and eye clinics, and family counseling and screening for HIV, diabetes and hypertension, breast cancer, and cervical cancer. Volunteers also handed out insecticide-treated bed nets, deworming tablets, and sanitary pads.

"The reach of this project is so phenomenal because of the presence of Rotarians all across these countries who felt emotionally connected by working together as one force on one project," Bunch says.

In South Africa, 225 Rotary clubs participated at 160 sites; in Uganda, 65 clubs supported 120 sites; and across Lagos and Ogun states in southern Nigeria, 62 clubs supported 70 sites. Two Rotary Foundation global grants provided funding to send vocational training teams to Uganda and to pay for malaria-preventive bed nets in Nigeria.

"The heartbeat of the health care system must be prevention of disease and the promotion of health rather than [trying] to cure disease, rather than trying to fix it after," says Dr. Aaron Motsoaledi, South Africa's national minister of health.

Volunteer Chris Pretorius, a member of the Rotary Club of Pretoria Sunrise, South Africa, was amazed by the turnout for the Health Days event.

"One of the members of the health department actually said they had never been able to get so many children here on a day like this," he says. "That in itself is success."

**Working with partners:** The campaign also illustrates how Rotary partners with other organizations to expand its impact. Since 2011, RFHA has partnered with the Coca-Cola Africa Foundation, which contributed US\$450,000 for this year's three-country event. Other partners were South Africa's Department of Health, South Africa Broadcasting Corporation, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, USAID, Delta Airlines, and Nampak (a producer of sanitary pads).

"We are proud to have partnered with RFHA and the Department of Health in promoting access to health screening services," says Therese Gearhart, president of Coca-Cola South Africa. "At Coca-Cola, we invest in these initiatives because, together with our partners, we have a common vision of a South Africa that comprises healthy, strong, and thriving communities."

Leaders of the Rotarian Action Group hope to expand the event to more African countries each year.

"Rotary is the catalyst organization in this event because of the power and (political) neutrality of our brand and the respect we receive worldwide for our ability to mobilize communities into action," Bunch says. "This event represents the power of public/private partnerships. No one organization can do a massive event like this alone. Each partner has a defined role and set of responsibilities, and that's why it works."

#### **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Jun	Thurs - Sun	13-23	Unley Rotary Art Exhibition	Hughes Gallery, Fullarton Park Centre, cnr Fisher Street and Fullarton Road
		Sun to Wed	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

### Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT 24 June Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

## **Our Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
18/06/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Warren Wilson 'How inventors invent'	TBA	C Schirmer	R Mullins	R Elms S Evans
25/06/13	Kooyonga Golf Club	7 for 7.30pm	Change Over Dinner Partners Event	MC S Baker	A Wehr N White	R Mullins	S Evans G Ferguson

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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# 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>



Set up &

#### June 2013 Program

18/6/13	PP Don Will (Eastwood)	Rotary in the Maldives – Pt 2
25/6/13	DGE 9500 Barbara Wheatcroft & DGE 9520 Wendy Gaborit	District Governor's Plans for 2013/14

# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### **June - July 2013**

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	15/06/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Briony Casburn (for Neesha Nandasena) & Nathan White
4	22/06/13	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29/06/13	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	06/07/13	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	13/07/13	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin

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

# Meaningful Short Stories

At the Scottish wedding reception the D.J. yelled... "Would all married men please stand next to the one person who has made your life worth living?"

The bartender was almost crushed to death.

Condoms don't guarantee safe sex anymore ..... A friend of mine was wearing one when he was shot by the woman's husband.

I think it is just terrible and disgusting how everyone has treated Lance Armstrong, especially after what he achieved, winning 7 Tour de France races, while on drugs.

When I was on drugs, I couldn't even find my frig'n bike.

A guy broke into my apartment last week. He didn't take my TV, just the remote. Now he drives by and changes the channels. How disgusting can one person be!

Paddy calls EASYJET to book a flight.

The operator asks, "How many people are flying with you?"

Paddy replies "I don't know! It's your bloody plane. "

#### The Great Wall

A female CNN journalist heard about a very old Jewish man who had been going to the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem to pray, twice a day, every day, for a long, long time.

To check it out, she went to the Wall, and there he was, walking slowly up to the holy site.

She watched him pray, and after about 45 minutes, when he turned to leave, using a cane and moving very slowly, she approached him for an interview.

"Pardon me, Sir, I'm Rebecca Smith from CNN. What's your name?

"Morris Feinberg," he replied.

"Sir, how long have you been coming to the Wailing Wall to pray?"

"For about 60 years."

"60 years! That's amazing! What do you pray for?"

"I pray for peace between the Christians, Jews and the Muslims."

"I pray for all the wars and all the hatred to stop."

"I pray for all our children to grow up safely as responsible adults, and to love their fellow man."

"And how do you feel Sir, after doing this for 60 years?"

"It's like talking to a bloody brick wall!"

