

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3899 - 11 March 2014 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

### Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speakers	Mark Marston & Amanda Shields
Chairman	David Middleton
Apologies	Wendy Andrews, Patsy Beckett, Graham Beckett, Nino Malvetti, Ken Haines
Guests	AG Mark Huddleston, PP Steve Hayter (Kent Town) PP Peter Poulton (Norwood), Ben Ernst, Nick Ditter, Lalita Lopez, David Smart
Returning Rotarians	Heather Kilsby, Bob Laws, Pam Trimmer, Geoff Hill
Attendance	19 members and 9 guests

# **Rotary Club of Unley Inc.**

#### District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings:

Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace. Adelaide

# President Greg's Announcements

Visitors involved with the establishment a new (youthful) club group were introduced and welcomed.



Jerry, Mark, Nick, Steve & Lalita

Bunnings BBQ will be on 31 March. We have been granted an extra slot on Sunday May 4.

A Board meeting is to be held next Tuesday after the main

Harmony Day celebration organised by Unley City Council will be held at the Goodwood Library, 101 Goodwood Road, at 6-8pm Friday 28 March. There will be a Greek theme to the night which features food, entertainment and speakers.



President Greg

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# **Guest Speakers**

#### Mark Marston & Amanda Shields: "Ride with a Vision"



Mark & Anne with a vision board

Chairman David Middleton introduced Mark who is a teacher and Amanda an occupational therapist. They also run their own life skills business and Mark is an honorary member of RC Norwood. In 2013, after 6 months of planning, they embarked on a bicycle ride from Adelaide to Melbourne over a 31 day period.

The two main aims of the trip were to raise money for the Little Heroes Foundation and to help kids create their visions for the future.....Who do you want to be? Workshops were conducted in 10 schools along the way. Gratitude, personal values, building on strengths, goal setting, persistence and resilience were the main themes of the workshops.

Rotary and Lions club were instrumental in making the trip a success through practical support and donations. \$11,000 was raised from donations (which included a \$500 donation from our club) and workshop fees for the Little Heroes Foundation and more specifically for Alex's Playground at the Women's and Children's Hospital. A lively Q&A session followed.

Mark and Amanda were thanked by acclamation.



All delighted with Rotary pens

# **Spots and Sergeants Session**

**Jerry Casburn** informed that the District 9520 Conference next week will be held at the Lighthouse Theatre in Warrnambool, within easy walking distance from our motel – see website for all the details. On Thursday night a booking has been made for Unley attendees at Images Restaurant. During the Saturday session the next conference in Ballarat will be announced with the assistance of a local choir. The theme for the Saturday night dinner is *Hollywood Glamour*.

**Stephen Baker** announced that RC Hyde Park had chosen the subject 'That Fathers of the 2020s need to be super dads'. Unley is to take the negative side and the team will comprise David Middleton, Pam Trimmer and Stephen Baker.

Stephen Westgarth organised Pam Trimmer to take his Thrift Shop roster on 29 March and Mavis Martin on 5 April.

Briony Casburn asked BBQ participants to take care not to soil their plastic gloves.

David Sharp (friend of Jerry) announced that this was his favourite day.....mmmm

**Steve Hayter** introduced recent arrival Ben Ernst. There is to be a major fundraising cultural night coupled with 'Get Out of Gaol' to benefit WhiteLion (which helps kids at risk) on 11 April – details will be provided.

Sergeant Bob Mills managed to select the marble of David Payne for the infernal squares....some compensation for the nose he broke at the Thrift Shop. As is normal, happiness prevailed and even some visitors were outrageously fined.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

### **Rotary International News**

#### Partners for climate change research in Tanzania

Arnold Grahl - Rotary News - 7 Mar 2014

"He created all the science projects we had from our childhood in one room," recalls Kaspar, a former Rotary Scholar who's now a member of the Rotary Club of Capital Square in Ohio. Within those projects, she saw Menna's passion for his environment and a wealth of unexplored opportunities, particularly the chance to collaborate and study the environmental impact of Mount Kilimanjaro's melting glaciers. "I had attended several lectures recently at the center," Kaspar says. "The thought hit me, shouldn't the people who live around the mountain know about what is happening and prepare for the changes?"

Kaspar spent the next four years connecting Meena with Ohio State University's Byrd Polar Research Center, which has been doing cutting edge climate change research. Kaspar's desire to help Machame matched the Byrd center's goal of providing more research to local communities where it could do more good. And by utilizing Rotary's network, she was able to bring Rotary members in Ohio and Machame into the collaboration. Together, they would



Ohio Rotary member Amy Kaspar and science teacher Bartholomew Meena embrace during Kaspar's visit to Tanzania in 2009. The meeting sparked a service project that is educating villagers near Mount Kilimanjaro how to adapt to climate change.

teach communities at the base of Mount Kilimanjaro how to adapt to the changing temperatures and precipitation patterns.

"Tanzania is an area where we haven't been able to give back as much," says Jason Cervenac, educational outreach coordinator for the Byrd center, "and an educational initiative seemed to be an obvious approach." The center is also providing Meena with material to write a new curriculum in Swahili, which Rotary members will help publish, distribute, and promote. Additional plans are in the works to use posters to educate the community, hold seminars and community workshops, and fund study exchanges between Tanzania and Ohio.

None of this would have been possible without the Rotary infrastructure, Kaspar says. "It's all about the personal relationships you establish," she adds. "Rotary has changed who I am, and now I want to do what I can to help change the lives of others for the better."

Kaspar's path to Rotary began in 1993, when she studied architecture and international development at Oxford Brooks University in Oxford, England, through a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship. There she met her host family, Jane and Peter Jones of the Rotary Club of Haddenham and District. "Amy arrived in a wheelchair with a bicycle. Need I say more?" says Jane, who with her husband has hosted more than 20 scholars. "We found it difficult to control her exuberance and enthusiasm and keep her plans grounded, but that isn't a criticism."

The Jones family invited Kaspar to attend club activities and take part in service projects. A decade later, they put her in touch with Rotary members in Tanzania, where she would go on to work with the relatively new Rotary Club of Machame. "I'm here today because my host dad in England would never let me off the hook and always made sure I got involved in stuff," she says. "Service is now a part of who I am. It's a part of my genetic makeup."

**Diary Dates** 

Year	Year Month Day Date		Date	Activity Details	Venue	
2014	Mar	Thu-Sun	20-23	9520 District Conference	Warrnambool	
	May	Sun	4	Special Bunnings BBQ	Bunnings	
	June	Sun-Wed	1-4	International Conference	Sydney	

# **Our Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
18 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	<b>Petro Ximenes:</b> East Timor Education Needs	A Jonson	G Ferguson	K Haines	J Russell C Schirmer
25 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Mark Chellew: Sherlock Holmes in Adelaide	D Middleton	G Hill	K Haines	C Schirmer C Sluggett
Wednesday 2 Apr 14	Hyde Park Hotel	6 for 6.30pm	The great debate with Hyde Park Topic – That Fathers of the 2020s need to be Super Dads	Scribe S Baker	V Holt	n/a	P Trimmer S Westgarth

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club

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### Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### March - Apr 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	15 Mar 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	22 Mar 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29 Mar 14	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Pam Trimmer (for Stephen Westgarth) & David Pisoni
1	5 Apr 14	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Sheila Evans (for Bob Laws) & Mavis Martin (for Stephen Westgarth)
2	12 Apr 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Stephen Westgarth (for 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 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



#### March 2014 Program

18 March Gemma Sissia (Arusha Tanzania)		The School of St Jude		
25 March	Rtn Mary Galea (Strathalbyn)	Rotary Quiz Night – April 12		

### **Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates**

ALL the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm.

NEXT DATE: Monday 31 March; Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm

### The Back Page

#### Something to chew on

On a warm summer night, a young lady entered the butcher shop with startling news for the butcher: The baby in her arms was his.

Nonplussed, the butcher didn't know what to do, and eventually offered the only thing he thought he could - he offered to provide her with free meat until the boy was 16. She agreed.

He had been counting the years off on his calendar, and one day the teenager, who had been collecting the meat each week, came into the shop and said, "I'll be 16 tomorrow."

"I know," said the butcher with a smile, "I've been counting too, tell your mother, when you take this parcel of meat home, that it is the last free meat she'll get, and watch the expression on her face."

When the boy arrived home he told his mother. The woman nodded and said, "Son, go back to the butcher and tell him I have also had free bread, free milk and free groceries for the last 16 years and watch the expression on his face!"

#### Never be late

A Priest was being honored at his retirement dinner after 25 years in the parish. A leading local politician and member of the congregation was chosen to make the presentation and to give a little speech at the dinner.

However, since the politician was delayed, the Priest decided to say his own few words while they waited: "I got my first impression of the parish from the first confession I heard here. I thought I had been assigned to a terrible place. The very first person who entered my confessional told me he had stolen a television set and, when questioned by the police, was able to lie his way out of it. He had stolen money from his parents, embezzled from his employer, had an affair with his boss's wife, taken illegal drugs and gave VD to his sister. I was appalled. But as the days went on, I learned that my people were not all like that and I had, indeed, come to a fine parish full of good and loving people."

Just as the Priest finished his talk, the politician arrived full of apologies at being late. He immediately began to make the presentation and gave his talk: I'll never forget the first day our parish Priest arrived, said the politician. In fact, I had the honor of being the first person to go to him for confession.

#### Never say never

A husband and wife are sitting quietly in bed reading when the wife looks over at him and asks the question.

WIFE: "What would you do if I died? Would you get married again?" HUSBAND: "Definitely not!"

WIFE: "Why not? Don't you like being married?" HUSBAND: "Of course I do ..."

WIFE: "Then why wouldn't you remarry?" HUSBAND: "Okay, okay, I'd get married again."

WIFE: "You would?" (with a hurt look) HUSBAND: (makes audible groan)

WIFE: "Would you live in our house?" HUSBAND: "Sure, it's a great house."

WIFE: "Would you sleep with her in our bed?" HUSBAND: "Where else would we sleep?"

WIFE: "Would you let her drive my car?" HUSBAND: "Probably, it is almost new."

WIFE: "Would you replace my pictures with hers?" HUSBAND: "That would seem like the proper thing to do.."

WIFE: "Would you give her my jewelry?" HUSBAND: "No, I'm sure she'd want her own."

WIFE: "Would you take her golfing with you? HUSBAND: "Yes, those are always good times."

WIFE: "Would she use my clubs? HUSBAND: "No, she's left-handed."

WIFE: -- silence-- HUSBAND: "Oh xxxxx."

