

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3919 – 29 July 2014

Public Schools Club

Club Consultations

Joan Reed

Our Last Meeting

Venue

Event

Chairman

Apologies

Attendance

Returning Rotarians

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

President Joan's Announcements

21 members

Winchester Street fire next to John Peacham's house last week.

Committee meetings will be held next week as part of a normal meeting – a return to a previous practice. The new committee list for 2014/15 has been issued and can also be found on our website - anyone wishing to swap committees should contact Joan.

Wendy Andrews, Jerry & Briony Casburn, Vera

Holt, Heather Kilsby, Bob Mullins, Jim Newall,

Marlene Small, Stephen Westgarth

Graham & Patsy Beckett, Colin Schirmer

Loyal Toast needs to be conducted respectfully

Life and Times - Liz Christie



Liz Christie

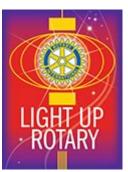
Liz was born in Wangaratta in 1963 and enjoyed a happy childhood with her two older sisters. Primary and secondary education developed her love of reading......and incited a taste for truancy. She graduated with a BA despite father wanting her to be a lawyer. First job was with Standard Book in Adelaide and thence as a book shop manager at Colonnades. Her most famous visiting author in those early years was the ultra-scamp Spike Milligan. Emily Perry also made an appearance. In 1985 she went to Sydney – funny times were had when doing the Tammi Fraser book launch - but returned two years later. Liz married in her late 20s and she was blessed with a daughter after some challenges. The book industry has changed dramatically and she admires those sellers like Mostly Books at Mitcham who continue to

nurture the reading of books despite the tough times. In addition to her daughter, her interests include gardening, movies, two dogs, family...and more recently Rotary. Liz was thanked by acclamation.

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President Joan



Club Consultations

Treasurer

President Joan, on behalf of Heather Kilsby, reported that:

- It is likely that the club will have to pay for an auditor due to the performance failure by the person who had volunteered to do so
- Thrift Shop takings were down \$4,000 c/f last year
- Only one guest speaker's meal should be paid for each week
- Due to notified increases in RI and RDU costs it is necessary to increase membership revenue; an increase in the six month membership fee from \$110 to \$120 is recommended.

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Vocational and Youth

Sheila Evans advised that there would be in depth discussion next week - under consideration were:

- · Part sponsorship for a training trip to Cambodia
- · A joint venture with Unley Council to assist the unemployed
- POOTY (managed by Stephen W)

International – for discussion next week

Community Service – for discussion next week when Wendy is back

Thrift Shop

Ken Haines advised:

- Brett Palmer had volunteered for 15 hours per week a Police check was previously suggested for all those who came from outside normal channels (i.e. recommended by a Rotarian or an existing volunteer)
- He is personally filling incomplete shifts

Membership

Stephen Baker reported that:

- Another membership insert would be provided for the Messenger Press.
- He is meeting with the leader of the young group being fostered by the club.

Discussions

Chandra recommended that more effort be made by each of our three main committees to access Global and District Grants. The lack of applications is of concern to District. Perhaps we should look to RAWCS for advice. Our projects should be regularly reported in the bulletin.

Mavis Martin apologised for lack of mail due to ill health of Wendy.

The Thrift Shop is our most immediate priority. Greg McLeod explained that the current 5x5x5year lease needs to be renegotiated between 5 August and 5 November 2014. Graham Beckett has undertaken research into opportunities. A meeting of the TS committee is to be organised within the week.

MOTIONS:

'That the club membership six-monthly fees be increased from \$110 to \$120.' Moved: R. Laws; Seconded: S. Evans; Carried.

'That the above reports be received.' Moved: M. Martin; Seconded: A. Jonson; Carried.

Spots & Sergeants Session

Ken Haines reported that the Autism SA BBQ last Friday had been a success and the Bunnings BBQ on Monday had raised \$750.

Alex Jonson announced that OSSAA was holding its film event *The Hundred Foot Journey* on Sunday 17 August - 5.15 for 6.00pm - at the Mitcham Wallis Cinema with cost of \$20pp and bubbles and snacks served. AJ is selling tickets.

Sheila Evans asked members to provide names of any potential sponsors for the Rotary District Conference 2015.

Bob Laws sought the names of those attending the Thrift Shop volunteers' thank-you on 17 August.

Sergeant Ken Haines with the help of Mavis drew a blank for the appalling squares...good job. Patsy and Ken had been mobile active during the meeting and were fined accordingly. Mavis confirmed that she did not fall off the camel in Dubai; Graham announced the Becketts were now here for good (house being sold); Lindsay is on holidays for six weeks; and Levi Elms broke his ankle during an outstanding game with Sturt.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm....very nice meal!

Rotary International News

Rotary Scholar's unique ability in bringing clubs together

By Arnold R. Grahl - Rotary News -- 22 Jul 2014

In a municipal hospital in Cubatão, Brazil, a new mammography machine funded by a Rotary global grant provides breast cancer screening to women who previously had to wait for weeks before they could get in for a checkup with a doctor.

A Rotary global grant also funded training for medical staff and cancer awareness education for people in the community. Isis Mejias Carpio of Houston, studying at the University of São Paulo on a Rotary scholarship, played an instrumental role in bringing together Rotary clubs in two countries to make the grant possible.

Members of the Rotary Club of Cubatão, who hosted Mejias during her scholarship, had already identified the hospital's need for expanded health services for women. Visiting the clinic herself, Mejias saw an opportunity to collaborate with her contacts back home in the Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental, north of Houston.

"Building a bridge between a host and international sponsor on any grant project is always one of the most important parts," Mejias says. "It was very rewarding to know that my little participation evolved into a project like that."

The ink had barely dried on the final report for the mammography grant when Rotary member Bill Davis, Mejias' principal mentor in the Humble Club, approached her with another health-related project. Baylor University in Texas had partnered with the government of Botswana to support the Botswana-Baylor Children's Center of Excellence, which provides free, state-of-the-art pediatric care, treatment, and support to HIV-positive children and their families in Botswana. The growing number of adolescents with HIV has outpaced the center's resources. So Davis, who had previous contacts with Baylor, was interested in pursuing a global grant to fund a separate adolescent center on an adjacent plot of land. The center would provide a safe place for kids to receive life skills education, health



Rotary Global Grant Scholar Isis E. Mejias Carpio with children in Kenya during her work with Engineers Without Borders.

information, and training to deal with the stigma of HIV and discrimination they may face.

To get the project off the ground, Davis says he raised money in his district and called Mejias to see if her friends in Brazil would want to help.

The HIV project grant has been approved by the Foundation. It's just the latest good to come from Mejias' first meeting with Davis in 2011. A volunteer with the Central Houston chapter of Engineers Without Borders (EWB) at the time, Mejias was looking for help on a clean water project for a hospital in Kenya and had heard that Davis and his club had a history of supporting EWB projects. So she approached him.

"I liked what she had proposed," says Davis, who recalls Mejias had already been to Kenya twice to see the project, which also involved a retired doctor from San Diego whose wife is a Rotary member. "I thought it's a pretty secure deal, so our club became the international sponsor and got a couple other clubs in."

"Talking to Bill we made a friendship through the months of developing this grant," Mejias says. She told him she was working with a team at the University of Houston developing a bio-filter to remove metals from water. Davis told her of a Rotary scholarship for graduate students that she might be interested in. But the deadline was in two weeks. "I knew little about the scholarship, but I researched it and thought it would be a perfect opportunity to understand more about water treatment."

Mejias met the deadline and was selected for the scholarship, but she didn't want to abandon her work. So with the help of her academic sponsors, she forged an agreement between the University of Houston and the University of São Paulo to collaborate on the study and work toward a dual PhD.

About her Rotary scholarship, Mejias says, it made her realize "I can have a huge impact on changing people's lives. I was able to find my passion in life and determine I want to create a road for future projects."

Mejias was also recently selected by The Rotary Foundation to lead a team of engineers who will be traveling to Uganda to study the feasibility of water projects.

Our Upcoming Meetings

		•		Chairman	Set up &		Attendance	
Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	& Scribe	Welcome	Sergeant	Desk	
5 Aug 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Committee meetings	J Reed	R Laws	K Haines	N White	
				Scribe S Baker			W Andrews	
12 Aug 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Danny McGurgan POOTY	S Westgarth	G McLeod	K Haines	W Andrews	
							S Baker	

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club, 270 East Terrace, Adelaide

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

Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Secretary Mavis Martin 81780076 0408 399 834 or email to unley.secretary@rotaryclub.org.au

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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: emandcee@bigpond.com



August Program

5 Aug	PDG Graeme Dodsworth (Mitcham)	ACSO and the Premier's Awards
12 Aug	PP Ian and Julie Carman (Magill Sunrise)	The Challenge of Leprosy in Oecusse
19 Aug	PP Gordon Wilkinson (Hyde Park)	Science, Engineering and Fun
26 Aug	PDG Barbara Wheatcroft (Adelaide Parks)	Rotary and the Royal Adelaide Show

Diary Dates

Year Month Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014 Aug Sat	2	Illuminate	Flinders University Science Innovation Centre 12.30pm

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 25 August: Morning shift 8.30am - 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 - 5pm

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

August 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm		
1	1 2 Aug 14 David Middleton & Lalita Lopez		Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth		
2	9 Aug 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin		
3	16 Aug 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Nathan White &		
4	23 Aug 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines		
5	30 Aug 14	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & Liz Christie (Sub for David Pisoni)		

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact: Ken Haines 83325138; (M) 0417 896 261; e-mail:kj.haines@bigpond.com

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Why you should always follow instructions

Wanda's dishwasher stopped working so she called a repairman. Since she had to go to work the next day, she told the repairman, "I'll leave the key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave the bill on the bench, and I'll mail you a cheque."

"Oh, by the way don't worry about my bulldog Spike. He won't bother you. But, whatever you do, do NOT, under ANY circumstances, talk to my parrot!" "I REPEAT, DO NOT TALK TO MY PARROT!!!"

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's apartment the following day, he discovered the biggest, meanest looking bulldog he has ever seen. But, just as she had said, the dog just lay there on the mat watching the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the whole time with his incessant yelling, cursing and name calling. Finally the repairman couldn't contain himself any longer and yelled, "Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!"

To which the parrot replied, "Get him, Spike!"

Walking Eagle

On a recent trip to the United States, a high profile ex British MP addressed a major gathering of Native American Indians.

He spoke for almost <u>two hours</u> on his success in bringing about a lasting peace settlement amongst the warring nations of the Middle East, likening it to the way that the U.S. Government found a suitable agreement with the North American tribes.

At the conclusion of his speech, the crowd presented him with a plaque inscribed with his new Indian name - Walking Eagle.

Very chuffed, he then departed in his motorcade, waving to the crowds.

A news reporter later asked one of the Indians how they came to select the new name. They explained that Walking Eagle is the name given to a bird so full of shit that it can no longer fly.

