



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Megan Weber
Chairman	Greg McLeod
Apologies	DG Jerry & Briony Casburn, Graham & Patsy Beckett, Ken Haines, David Middleton, John Russell, Marlene Small, Pam Trimmer, Stephen Westgarth
Guests	Hiroyuki and Kyoko Yamamoto
Returning Rotarians	Bob Mills
Attendance	14 members, 3 guests

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club
207 East Terrace, Adelaide

President Joan's Announcements

Briony Casburn has advised that there may be a BBQ opportunity at Office Works.

Group 6 Christmas Breakfast will be held at 7am on Wednesday 10 December at the Royal Coach Motel.

Wendy Andrews was thanked for performing Presidential duties while Joan was on leave.

Dr Felice Jacka a key note speaker at the Warrnambool Conference [excellent] last year will be speaking on mental illness and the link with diet at Auchendarroch House Mt Barker at 6.30 for 7pm on Friday 21 November – 3 course meal for \$45....in support of ARH Research.

The Weekly Herald is covered by Stephen Westgarth's weekly advices and will no longer be sent out by Joan.

Christmas Cards, with requests for goods for the Christmas Hamper, had been prepared by Briony and members were instructed to choose their donations from the lucky dip.



President Joan

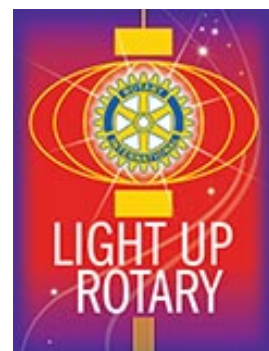
Guest Speaker – Megan Weber:

Influences from Can:Do 4Kids Hearing and Townsend House

Chairman Greg McLeod introduced Megan who was born with a hearing impairment and delayed speech. Through the efforts of Townsend House, now the *Can: Do 4Kids Group*, the early problems have been resolved and Megan is now a keen and dedicated advocate of Can:Do.

Townsend House was established 140 years ago and is SA's oldest charity. The family centred services specialise in supporting children and young people who are blind, vision impaired, deaf, hearing impaired or have a sensory impairment. Support is also provided to organisations serving children with significant disability such as cerebral palsy. Currently there are 1500 children being assisted. Early intervention for those with deafness or blindness starts immediately the first signs have been detected after birth. Effort is made to assist communication (often through sign language for those that are deaf) and assimilation through play, physical, social and self-help skills. Families are helped to better manage the situations they are facing. Occupational Therapy is provided to 0-18 years of age to improve cognitive, physical and motor skills. Speech Pathology covers the same age group, as does Assistive Technology which supports children and young people to develop social and life skills. Braille is taught with a special machine from 2 years onward. The Pathways Program for 6-18 year olds covers primary and secondary school learning and communication skills for employment.

Megan's hearing impairment was detected at 6 months – her twin sister had no such issue. Megan attended Townsend House, received a hearing aid when 18 months old and from 3 years was provided with skills imparted at kindy and preschool. Her family and particularly her twin were enjoined in the programs. With the training provided Megan developed her skills and is now able to function exceptionally well. She became a mentor and 4 years ago threw herself into community relations and fund raising for Can: Do.



There are adjustments being made by Can: Do for the introduction of NDIS which funds the child rather than the organisation. Currently the shortfall between the cost of e.g. speech therapy and the government contribution is \$70 per session which must be financed by donations. A video was shown of Kerrie – her twin sons Joshua and Marcus suffered from cleft palates, hearing and vision loss. The assistance provided by Can: Do has been invaluable for her boys and Kerrie. It is estimated that there are about 10,000 kids with hearing impairment. Volunteers help in a range of areas and Megan displayed a tactile book in braille – 500 have been made. Some people prefer to remain deaf, even when they partner and have children. Others are thrilled by finally being able to hear the sounds of everyday with the help of Cochlear implants. More effort is now being made in schools and the home than historically, when institutional care often prevailed.

Megan was thanked by acclamation and presented with a fabulous Unley Rotary pen.



Great smiles Greg and Megan

Spots and Sergeant's Session

Chandra Sluggett requested help on the weekend [since advised on Monday] to parcel up the uniforms from Annesley College in preparation for DIK distribution....perhaps in the next container to Timor Lesté being prepared by RC Berri.

Stephen Baker distributed the brochure (hot off the press) for the Ballarat Conference next year and asked all members to commit early to what is intended to be a great event.

Sergeant Bob Mills managed to have guest Kyoko Yamamoto's marble drawn for the xxxxx squares. There was a range of happy fines but none reached the heights to which we have become accustomed. The fact that the editor was fined 3 times should be the subject of a Royal Commission. One highlight was Chandra 'borrowing' the PSC's kettle cord to enable the projector to work.

The meeting closed at 7.54pm.



Guests Hiro and Kyoko

Rotary International News

Partners build community center and health clinic in impoverished Mexico neighborhood

By Daniela Garcia - Rotary News -- 10 Oct 2014

Four years ago, Rotary member Moonyeen King decided to take action to help residents of the impoverished neighborhood of Tepehua, located in Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico, who faced daily struggles with crime, malnutrition, and limited access to health care. King, together with Susan Netherton and Gin Pelzl, fellow members of the Rotary Club of Ajijic, turned an abandoned building into the Tepehua Community Center.

For its first year, the center provided a soup kitchen every Friday to feed over 200 women and children. That enabled King and her fellow Rotary members to gain the trust of the community, and before long, they had each family register and communicate its individual needs. Through that community feedback, the need for a women's health clinic became apparent.

In early 2012, in a trial conducted by the Tepehua center's board, 67 women were tested for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and other gynecological issues. Only five had normal results. King, who heads the Tepehua Community Center Board, estimated that 1,200 local women would benefit from a health care program addressing STDs, family planning, and cancer.

The project gained international support when members of the Rotary Club of Lincoln, California, heard about it through a former member who had moved to Mexico and joined the Ajijic club. The clubs partnered to receive a Rotary Foundation grant to establish a comprehensive maternal health program at the center.

"Through the maternal health program, women and girls are taking charge of their own destiny," King says. "Maternal health and family planning will be passed to the next generation."

Paul Radcliffe, a member of the Rotary Club of Lincoln, says the program results have been remarkable. In the first 15 months, 1,000 Pap smears and breast exams were conducted and 800 women attended family planning and counseling sessions.

"If women are healthy, able to plan their pregnancies and obtain good preventive health care, lives will be saved, a cycle of poverty can be broken, and children will be raised by their mothers instead of [those mothers] being lost to disease," Radcliffe says.

He adds that the success of the clinic resulted not only from word of mouth about positive experiences, but also from the fact that community members had been educated and helped to address cultural taboos surrounding sexual health.



Registered nurse and midwife Sylvia Flores (right) helps run the maternal health program at the Tepehua Community Center.

Encouraged by the program's success, the two clubs are looking to expand to surrounding communities in the Lake Chapala region through a mobile clinic.

"While mostly illiterate and uneducated, the women are learning quickly as they see the improvement of just a few," Radcliffe says.

In addition to the clinic, the Tepehua Community Center improves the quality of life for area families by providing education and counseling. Current class offerings include sewing, arts and crafts, computer skills, and English. The center also offers auxiliary nursing classes and has certified dozens of women as auxiliary nurses. A nursery and a playground were built to provide child care while the local women participate in the center's activities.

Says the Ajijic club's King: "This is probably one of the most rewarding projects I have ever experienced. Once you receive the trust of people, they are willing to learn, to grow, and take advantage of opportunity."

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman	Set up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
21 Oct 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Janet Weir Stroke Foundation	K Haines	P Trimmer	K Haines	G Hill A Jonson
28 Oct 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Committees	J Reed	S Westgarth	K Haines	A Jonson H Kilsby
4 Nov 14	TBA						

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

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

October - November 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	18 Oct 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Nathan White & Mavis Martin
4	25 Oct 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	1 Nov 14	David Middleton & Lalita Lopez	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	8 Nov 14	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:

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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 Date: Monday 27 October Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014	Dec	Sun	14	Carols in the Rotunda	Unley Rotunda
2015	Apr	Thu-Sun	16-19	District 9520 Conference	Ballarat, Victoria
	Jun	Sat-Tue	6-9	Rotary International Convention	Sao Paulo, Brazil

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
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October Program

21 Oct	TBA	
28 Oct	PP Rodger Thomas (Hyde Park)	The Rotary Club of Bandung

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Rotary always trying to help – a special initiative in Ghana



Precious

Two well-dressed ladies happened to start up a conversation during an endless wait in Brisbane International Airport Terminal.

The first lady was an arrogant Texan married to a wealthy business man. The second was a well-mannered elderly woman from Mount Isa, Queensland.

After a little while Texan woman started by saying, 'When my first child was born, my husband built a beautiful mansion for me.' The lady from Mount Isa commented, 'Well, isn't that precious?'

The first woman continued, 'When my second child was born, my husband bought me a beautiful Mercedes-Benz.'

Again, the lady from Mount Isa commented, 'Well, isn't that precious?'

The first woman went on, 'Then, when my third child was born, my husband bought me this exquisite diamond bracelet.'

Yet again, the Mount Isa lady commented, 'Well, isn't that precious?'

The first woman then asked, 'What did your husband buy for you when you had your first child?'

'My husband sent me to charm school,' declared the Mount Isa lady.

'Charm school?' the first woman cried, 'Oh, my Lord! What could they teach you??'

The Mount Isa lady responded, 'Well as an example... instead of saying, "Who gives a s#@t?" I learned to say, "Well, isn't that precious?"'

