

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3938 – 6 January 2015

Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

## Our Last Meeting

| Venue Scammell Reserve, Myrtle Bank |   |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Event                               | 2015 Kick-off   |  |  |
| Chairman                            | President Joan  |  |  |
| Apologies                           | Stephen Baker (in Chile), Liz Christie, Bob Mills, Lachlan Clyne (honeymooning)   |  |  |
| Guests                              | Pei-Chuan Huang, Chen-Kuo Chou, Hiro Yamamoto, Atiq<br>Uz Zaman, Gole Afrose Bonnya, Lamisha Ahnaf,<br>Catherine, Tayla and Kaley Pettinger, Tyler Casburn,<br>Tani and Ella Pari |  |  |
| Attendance                          | 9 members and 12 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

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

### President Joan Kicks-off Calendar Year 2015

"I'm so hot," observed President Joan as she welcomed a smallish number of members and a somewhat larger number of guests to the 2015 kick-off barbeque meeting at Scammell Reserve, Myrtle Bank. Everyone agreed it was indeed a hot day and sought what shade there was as they waited for the sun to drop behind the trees.

The Prez encouraged the sharing of Christmas-New Year stories, salads, meat and beverages while DG Jerry and David Middleton successfully prevented the meat and sausages from burning to a crisp on the barbeque.

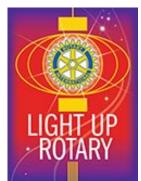
It was a treat to see the Pettinger family and friends Hiro. Chen and Pei sharing the occasion. and members were delighted to welcome for the first time Atiq, Bonnya and Lamisha, originally from Bangladesh and now residing in Myrtle Bank. We look forward to seeing former Rotarian Atiq at an upcoming meeting soon.

A warm start to calendar year 2015 and the second half of Prez Joan's and DG Jerry's respective official years.

There were photos taken at the event but the temporary editor can't get them out of his camera something about mislaying a connecting cable, probably while moving house recently.



President Joan



### District 9520 News

### Happy Birthday Rotary!

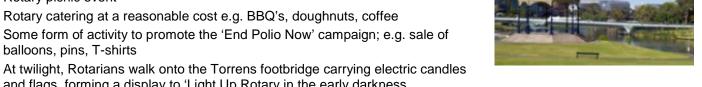
By District Governor Jerry Casburn - Weekly Herald -- 4 January 2015

### What is being planned:

- District Event to celebrate Rotary's 110th Birthday, to be held on Sunday, 22 Feb 2015
- The proposed venue is Elder Park and the new Torrens footbridge this has been booked
- Time of the Event early evening to dusk 6:00pm to 8:30pm

#### Suggested program:

- Entertainment music provided in the Elder Park Rotunda e.g. Army, Police or Council Bands
- Rotary picnic event
- balloons, pins, T-shirts
- and flags, forming a display to 'Light Up Rotary in the early darkness
- Rotary information to educate non-Rotarians about who we are and what we do; e.g. pamphlets and displays



The Unley Rotarian 6 January 2015 Media coverage to make the event memorable and well attended

### We'll need your help:

- By attending a family picnic event in Rotary attire, listening to the Bands
- Inviting your non-Rotarian friends to join you in a beautiful park
- Take part in a twilight 'Light Up Rotary' walk on the footbridge
- Distribute Rotary information to the general public
- Consider how your Club could advertise this event in your local community and encourage people to attend
- Let us know if you have media contacts that we could use
- This will be a great opportunity to promote Rotary and our Clubs

#### Who to contact:

Indications of your attendance should be sent by February 7th to:

- AG Bob Cooper to: rg.cooper@bigpond.com or
- President Brian Huffen to: bphuffen@gmail.com

# Rotary International News Kids in Kenya are ending violent mistrust between tribes

By Arnold R Grahl - Rotary News - 23 Dec 2014

For decades, the small, pastoral communities in northern Kenya have been caught in a cycle of violence. Tribes have shed blood over distrust, scarce resources, and the theft of livestock.

Rotary Scholar Monica Kinyua founded the Children Peace Initiative (CPI) Kenya with her twin sister, Jane Wanjiru, to end the fighting by building friendships between children from different tribes.

Earlier this year, the sisters used a global grant sponsored by Rotary members in San Diego, California, and the Rotary Club of Nairobi to conduct a peace camp for children in Baragoi, Samburu County, one of the most dangerous in northern Kenya. Forty police officers investigating a report of cattle rustling had been killed there a few years prior.

During the peace camp in May 2014, Turkana students from three community schools and Samburu students from three schools along with their teachers mingled for five days of ice-breaking and bonding activities. At the end of each camp, every child is strongly encouraged to make a friend with a child from another tribe.

CPI Kenya volunteers also organized events in Marsabit County where children who had formed friendships with children from

Monica Kinyua (right) and her sister, Jane Wanjiru, during a visit to Rotary headquarters in October.

neighboring communities invited their parents to meet their friends, and in the process the two families formed friendships.

"In one case, they greeted each other with gifts that ranged from clothing, artifacts, foodstuff, confectionaries, and mostly goats," Monika said.

Before the CPI Kenya activities, resolution happened only in the form of armed negotiations. On one occasion, before delegates from one tribe had even arrived at the other tribe's village, they were met on the road by armed negotiators. The peace camps have reduced violence in the region.

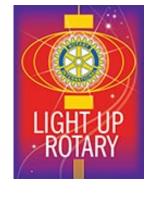
"Children have never before been involved directly in conflict resolution," she says. "This role has been reserved for men. Through the CPI Kenya program, children are directly participating in intercommunity peace and coaching their parents and influencing the communities to live peacefully with each other."

#### Rotary scholarship

Monica contacted Rotary for help following a series of serendipitous events that began in 2011. She had just been selected to receive a scholarship to the University of San Diego to pursue a master's in peace and justice, but she had no means of paying her living expenses. Days before she had to decide whether to accept the scholarship, she attended a Rotaract club she was considering joining.

Carol Kurth, a college student from San Diego, was also visiting the club that day as part of a trip she was taking through another nonprofit. Her mother, San Diego Rotary member Janice Kurth, had spent time in Kenya on a Rotary vocational exchange 18 months earlier.

"When Carol left on her trip, I gave her my business card to use while there. So she gave Monica my business card and Monica emails me," Kurth recalls. "Our district has been using grants to sponsor students in the very program she was applying to for the past several years. I went to people in my district and explained the situation, and when she was selected, I said, 'I have to be her host counselor.' "



Kurth said Monica became like another daughter to her during the scholarship. Near its conclusion, Kurth called one of her contacts in Kenya, Rotary Club of Nairobi member Sudish Walia, and they began putting together a global grant to fund Monica's work.

More communities have requested CPI Kenya's help as they hear about the work the sisters are doing. At the end of each peace camp, community leaders recommend other villages that would be helped by the program.

Monica, who serves as executive director of CPI Kenya, says her Rotary scholarship helped her become a better leader and form a wider network of support. She got to know Interactions for Peace, a nonprofit based in San Diego, through a Rotary member, and is now partnering with the group. The University of San Diego has also lent support.

**Our Upcoming Meetings** 

| Date      | Venue              | Time           | Speaker/Occasion                     | Chairman | Set up & Welcome | Sergeant | Attendance<br>Desk      |
|-----------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| 13 Jan 15 | PSC                | 6 for 6.30pm   | RYLA presentations: Josh & Ahn       | S Evans  | V Bonython       | K Haines | R Mullins<br>D Payne    |
| 20 Jan 15 | PSC                | 6 for 6.30pm   | ТВА                                  | TBA      | R Elms           | K Haines | D Payne<br>J Russell    |
| 27 Jan 15 | Edinburgh<br>Hotel | n 6 for 6.30pm | Quiz Challenge vs RC Brownhill Creek | n/a      | L England        | K Haines | J Russell<br>C Schirmer |
| 3 Feb 15  | PSC                | 6 for 6.30pm   | Committee Meetings                   | J Reed   | S Evans          | K Haines | C Schirmer<br>J Singh   |

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

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

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## **Diary Dates**

| Year | Month | Day     | Date  | Activity Details                | Venue              |
|------|-------|---------|-------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 2015 | Apr   | Thu-Sun | 16-19 | District 9520 Conference        | Ballarat, Victoria |
|      | Jun   | Sat-Tue | 6-9   | Rotary International Convention | Sao Paolo, Brazil  |

## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### **December – January 2015**

| Week | Dates     | Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm             | Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm                  |  |  |
|------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| 2    | 10 Jan 15 | Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker (from Chile) | Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin                   |  |  |
| 3    | 17 Jan 15 | Glenys Ferguson, Joan Reed               | Nathan White, Neesha Nandasena & Hiro Yamamoto |  |  |
| 4    | 24 Jan 15 | Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer                   | Sheila Evans & Ken Haines                      |  |  |
| 5    | 31 Jan 15 | Bob Mullins & Reno Elms                  | Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni               |  |  |
| 1    | 7 Feb 15  | David Middleton & Lalita Lopez           | Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth                   |  |  |

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

## **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 26 January** 

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>



### December 2014 - January 2015 Program

| 13 Jan |        | Emmanuel Njuguna (Adelaide City Rotaract) | The 2015 Rotaract Games       |  |
|--------|--------|---|-------------------------------|--|
|        | 20 Jan | PDG Wendy Gaborit (Mobilong)              | Promoting Rotary to the World |  |
|        | 27 Jan | Rtn John Kennedy (Magill Sunrise)         | A Rotarian in Courts          |  |

### The Back Page

### You know it's hot in Australia when...

- 1) The best parking spot is determined by shade, not distance.
- 2) Hot water comes out of both taps.
- 3) You learn that a seat belt buckle makes a pretty good branding iron.
- 4) The temperature drops below 32°C and you feel chilly.
- 5) You know that in January and February it only takes two fingers to steer a car.
- 6) You discover you can get sunburnt through a windscreen.
- 7) You develop a fear of metal door handles.
- 8) You break into a sweat the minute you step outside at 7am.
- 9) Your biggest bicycle accident fear is "What if I get knocked out and end up lying on the road getting cooked?"
- 10) You realise that asphalt has a liquid state.
- 11) Farmers are feeding their chickens ice cubes to prevent them laying hard boiled eggs.
- 12) The trees are whistling for dogs.
- 13) While walking back barefoot to your car from any event you do a tightrope act on the white lines in the carpark.
- 14) You catch a cold from having the air conditioning on full blast all night long.
- 15) You realise that Westfield shopping centres aren't just shopping centres, they are temples for worshipping Air Conditioning.
- 16) Sticking your head in the freezer and taking deep breaths is considered normal.
- 17) A cup full of ice is considered a great snack.
- 18) A black-out is considered life-threating because your air conditioning and your fans no longer work.
- 19) No one cares if you walk around with no shoes on.
- 20) You keep everything in the fridge, including potatoes, bread and clothing.
- 21) People have enough left-over beer cans to make a boat and compete in a regatta.
- 22) The effort of toweling yourself off after a shower means that you need another shower right away.
- 23) You will wait patiently until the day it starts raining to go for a run.
- 24) You worry that your ceiling fan is running so fast it will fly off and kill you.
- 25) You laugh because this list is so accurate.

