

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3970 – 1 September 2015

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## Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club	
Guest Speaker	<b>Guiller Tumangan, RI Zone 8 Director,</b> hosted by DGs Doug Layng (D9500) and Dick Wilson (D9520)	
Chairman	N/A	
Apologies	Graham & Patsy Beckett, Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins, Joan Reed, Pam Trimmer, Briony & Jerry Casburn	
Returning Rotarians	None	
Guests	Letty Tumangan and plenty of others	
Visiting Rotarians	All but our 11 and about three others	
Departing Rotarians	None	
Attendance	11 members and 44 guests	

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Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

## President Stephen's Announcement

This is what President Stephen would have announced had he made announcements.

Illuminate 2 is scheduled for Saturday October 10 at Flinders University – cost \$20 for refreshments.

## RI Zone 8 Director Guiller Tumangan

It isn't entirely obvious to your humble scribe why Unley was afforded the enforced honour of hosting the dinner to celebrate the visit of Rotary Director Guiller E. Tumangan to Adelaide as part of his Australian tour. It certainly gave President Stephen the opportunity to strut his stuff on an elevated stage and welcome a large group of guests who you could say in general, take Rotary very seriously indeed. After opening the meeting and suggesting to those present that Unley was an inspiration to Rotary Clubs everywhere, Stephen ceded the microphone to the District Governor of District 9500, Doug Layng.

Doug welcomed all of the dignitaries individually (most people in the room were dignified apart from the members of RC Unley), before introducing DG 9520 Dick Wilson; so the Dick and Doug show was in full swing.

Dick recounted his half day with Guiller and Letty that started after a pick-them-up from a delayed Qantas flight from Canberra and taking them on a tour of the mountains surrounding Adelaide

involving a series of encounters with native creatures of the wild. Doug told us of his time with Guiller and Letty visiting projects run by Rotary clubs as far north of the Torrens as Salisbury.

In all there were to be three guest speakers including Guiller, with two of them to speak before dinner was served. We from Unley are used to being talked to before eating but with the meeting not actually starting until around 7.15pm and with two speakers to listen to, it did seem like quite a long time to wait.

The first of the speakers was Malcolm Linquist who told Guiller and the attending crowd about the Golfutar Orphanage School in Katmandu. The orphanage itself had been set up by Mother Rajan largely with the help of Rotary clubs in Germany and Italy before she met the late David Rusk who was a past president of the Brownhill Creek and Blackwood clubs. She talked to him about the importance of education and the need for a school and David set out to make it a reality. Lamentably, David passed away, and before he did, he asked Malcolm Linquist to see the project through.

It involved a partnership with the Rotary Club of Dillibazar in Katmandu. \$230,000 was raised in Australia, and you get a really nice school in Nepal for that amount of money leveraged up with funding from Rotary International. It was opened with a fanfare in February 2015 and represents a significant gift from Rotary to the people of Nepal.



President Stephen Baker



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PDG Malcolm Lindquist - RC Brownhill Creek

As a footnote Malcom reminded us of the earthquakes that occurred in Nepal two months after the opening that considerably damaged to the school and caused it to be temporarily closed for repairs. Another \$60,000 has been raised to get it going again. Malcolm also acknowledged the involvement of RAWKS in bringing the project to fruition.

The second speaker was Glenn Karutz from the Rotary Club of Port Lincoln who told the audience of that club's process of partnering with other organisations to raise funds an undertake projects. The club partners with Bendigo Bank, MGA Insurance Brokers, Regional Development Australia and local government to put infrastructure into place. The most significant relationship has been with Bendigo Bank. They have provided a number of Bendigo Bank and Rotary-branded marquees that are managed by the club and hired out to those who want to use them. As well as raising \$4,500 for the club they provide great exposure for Rotary and represent a significant resource for the

#### community.

With the assistance of Bendigo Bank and the local council the club was able to help local youth who wanted to reopen the Flinders Theatre at a cost of \$100,000.

A local group wanted to do something about mental health by running a ball called Life is a Circus. Rotary was able to provide \$10,000 to fund the ball and a significant amount was raised.

Port Lincoln is a fishing town and the local high school runs aquaculture programmes. One such programme involved breeding barramundi and the general public have been encouraged to adopt a barramundi as a means of finance. The school also wanted to teach students about maritime safety but the needed a fishing boat costing \$40,000. Bendigo Bank anted up \$30,000 and with \$5,000 from Rotary and \$5,000 from the School (along with help from the supplier who put in some additional gear) they got the job done.



Glenn Karutz - RC Port Lincoln

They are currently using the same formula in a project of Riding for the Disabled and all this demonstrates the power of partnering with others to achieve great outcomes.

We then ate our main course with a sense of anticipation about what was to come.





RI Zone 8 Director Guiller Tumangan

Guest speaker Guiller E. Tumangan is the RI Zone 8 director and a member of the Rotary Club of Makati West in the Philippines. He is a chartered accountant and Executive Vice President of Solid Mills Inc. He has been director of the Textile Millers Association of the Philippines and served as executive vice president of the Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Guiller has been a Rotarian since 1988 and has served Rotary as RI president's representative, International Assembly training leader, Council on Legislation representative, committee member, RI training leader, zone coordinator, and district governor.

Guiller is a Major Donor, Benefactor, and member of the Paul Harris Society of The Rotary Foundation. He also is a recipient of RI's Service Above Self Award and the Presidential Citation and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award.

Guiller thanked everyone for the wonderful welcome. It seems to be unusual for Directors of Rotary to get of their butts to meet the plebs and he reported he has found it extremely worthwhile. Joining Rotary in 1988 changed his life as he was introduced to a process of doing good

things that works.

His club is a large one that at one point had 168 members, and when numbers dropped to 65 the past presidents including four past District Governors put their shoulders to the wheel and they are back up to 107 members of which 69% (a very precise calculation) are young (by Rotary standards). Not to be overshadowed by youth however, and perhaps in deference to the audience before him, Guiller assured us that older people had much to offer in that they could share their wisdom and their retirement savings.

The club's signature projects are to do with health including 'blue babies', hare lips, and cataracts. Guiller firmly believes that Rotarians should have fun at Rotary, they should make the most of the networking opportunities to achieve great outcomes, and they should be passionate about what they do. He said that Rotarians are his adrenalin.

DG Doug then took over the microphone. People were then thanked and/or given presents.





## **Spots**

There were no spots this week due to the special meeting for RI Zone 8 Director Guiller Tumangan.

# Closing Time

Shouting above the noise President Stephen called upon the assembled masses to be gifts to the world before closing the meeting at 9.10pm. (One hour and ten minutes late – a new record, apart from changeover nights and POOTY presentations, that will hopefully not soon be exceeded).

## **Rotary News**

## Bringing education to rural Mexican area, one school at a time

By Daniela Garcia – Rotary News – 26 August 2015

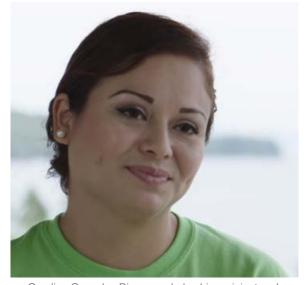
When Mariana Day moved in 1989 to the small beach town of Chacala, in Nayarit, Mexico, she noticed that the surrounding rural areas struggled to maintain schools. And most children weren't able to go beyond an eighth-grade education. Day, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Bahía de Jaltemba-La Peñita, in Nayarit, had started a local scholarship program before she joined Rotary. Called Changing Lives, the program provided students with high school tuition, uniforms, school supplies, and transportation.

In addition, Rotary clubs from the United States and Mexico have been investing in the education of children in Nayarit since 2003, providing scholarships and libraries and rehabbing school buildings.

The lasting impact in the region is apparent.

"I think the combination of the scholarship program and Rotary's interaction with the schools has made things seem possible, has changed the climate of education here, and the way the people think about education," Day says.

One example of Rotary's impact is Carolina Gonzales Rivas. She was able to attend high school thanks to Day's scholarship program. Rivas is currently working on her master's degree and has recently joined the Rotary Club of Jaltemba-La Peñita.



Carolina Gonzales Rivas, a scholarship recipient and member of the Rotary Club of Jaltemba-La Peñita, Mexico

"I think that what Rotary is doing by supporting education and supporting students is to have a vision for life, to have aspirations – that's what is going to change the world," Rivas says.

The Rotary Club of Berkeley, in California, USA, along with the Bahia de Jaltemba-La Peñita club and other North American clubs, recently tackled their largest project to date: a monthlong renovation of La Preparatoria 20 de Noviembre, a high school in the village of Las Varas. Funding came from a Rotary Foundation global grant and the financial contributions of six Rotary districts covering the 25 Rotary clubs that participated.

A total of 90 volunteers including the school's teachers, students, and students' parents, improved the old buildings and built three laboratory classrooms. All three feature new equipment and technology and can be used by local residents as well as students.

Eduardo Dominguez, a member of the Bahía de Jaltemba-La Peñita club, says one of the biggest rewards of these efforts is the fact that a college education is now a real possibility for local students.

"There are many young people in Mexico with huge potential and with much to give, as long as they are given an opportunity," Dominguez says. "Rotarians are helping those opportunities to occur, for [these young people] to become contributors to their communities."

# **Our Upcoming Meetings**

					Set-up &		
Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
15 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Caroline Warman (SA Govt.): Food Labelling	G Hill	L England	J Reed	W Andrews V Bonython
22 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Quiz Night with Brownhill Creek	V Bonython & K Haines	S Evans	J Reed	S Evans G Ferguson
29 Sep	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Roger Sexton: 'My Professional Journey'	V Bonython	K Haines	J Reed	S Evans V Bonython
6 Oct	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	<b>Jenny Ayres:</b> 'RAWCS - Orphanage in Nepal'	M Martin	G Hill	J Reed	B Casburn J Casburn
13 Oct	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Marcus Ferrari: 'Cranes at the Oval'	V Bonython	A Jonson	J Reed	B Casburn J Casburn

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

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## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### **August - September 2015**

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm	
2	12 Sep 15 Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker		Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin	
3	3 19 Sep 15 Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed		Nathan White & TBA	
4	4 26 Sep 15 Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer S		Sheila Evans & Ken Haines	
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni	
1	3 Oct 15	Oct 15 David Middleton & Jerry Casburn Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth)		

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact: Lindsay England (T) 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: lengland@senet.com.au

## Bunnings Mile End Barbeque

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

Next Date: Monday 28 September Morning shift: 8.30am - 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 - 5pm

## **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2015	Sep	Sat	27	Bay to Birdwood Classic - Start	Barrett Reserve, Adelaide Shores
	Oct	Tue	20-21	Big Red Ute [End Polio Now]	Unley Shopping Centre
		Tue	6	Rotary Health Hat Day	Club Event
		Fri-Sat	30-31	Membership Promotion	Unley Shopping Centre
	Nov	Tue	24	Unley Rotary Christmas Party	Kent Town Hotel
	Dec	Sun	13	Carols at the Rotunda	Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens
2016	Feb	Sun	21	District Leaders Training	Flinders University
	Apr	Sun	10	PENTS Seminar	TBA
	May	Sun	15	District Assembly	TBA
		Tue	17	SA Police Officer of the Year	Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens & Kooyonga Golf Club

# The Back Page

#### Mind your language

The European Commission has just announced an agreement whereby English will be the official language of the European Union rather than German, which was the other possibility.

As part of the negotiations, the British Government conceded that English spelling had some room for improvement and has accepted a 5-year phase-in plan that would become known as "Euro-English".

In the first year, "s" will replace the soft "c". Sertainly, this will make the sivil servants jump with joy. The hard "c" will be dropped in favour of "k". This should klear up konfusion, and keyboards kan have one less letter.

There will be growing public enthusiasm in the sekond year when the troublesome "ph" will be replaced with "f". This will make words like fotograf 20% shorter.

In the 3rd year, publik akseptanse of the new spelling kan be expekted to reach the stage where more komplikated changes are possible.

Governments will enkourage the removal of double letters which have always ben a deterent to akurate speling. Also, al wil agree that the horible mes of the silent "e" in the language is disgrasful and it should go away.

By the 4th yar people wil be reseptiv to steps such as replasing "th" with "z" and "w" with "v".

During ze fifz yar, ze unesesary "o" kan be dropd from vords containing "ou" and after ziz fifz yar, ve vil hav a rel sensibl riten styl.

Zer vil be no mor trubl or difikultis and evrivun vil find it ezi tu understand ech oza. Ze drem of a united urop vil finali kum tru.

And after ze fifz yar, even z German pepl vil be hapi to be spaking English.

## The Medium

In a dark and hazy room, peering into a crystal ball, the Mystic delivered grave news:

"There's no easy way to tell you this, so I'll just be blunt. Prepare yourself to be a widow... Your husband will die a violent and horrible death, this year."

Visibly shaken, Laura stared at the woman's lined face, then at the single flickering candle, then down at her hands.

She took a few deep breaths to compose herself and to stop her mind racing.

She simply had to know...

She met the Fortune Teller's gaze, steadied her voice and asked, "Will I be acquitted?"

For some reason, wives tend to like this joke...

