



Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Damien on Fisher, 123 Fisher Street, Fullarton SA 5063



President Ken Haines

Our Last Meeting

Venue:	Damien on Fisher
Event:	Club Assembly
Chairman:	President Ken
Returning Rotarians:	Mavis Martin, Ali & Soheila Mostaghim
Guests:	Rachel Harding, Deb Martin, Meri Kurtin
Apologies:	Bob Laws, David Middleton
Attendance:	23 Members 3 guests

President Ken's Announcements

- Joan Reed has resigned from the club
- Welcome back Mavis Martin

Induction of Rachel Harding

President Ken proceeded with the induction of Rachel Harding as introduced by Jerry Casburn. Rachel was born in England, excelled in Chemistry (PhD) and plied her skills in Italy, UK, Japan and Australia.....she is a member of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute. Rachel hit Sydney in 2003 and moved to Adelaide in 2009 where she trained staff at the SA Forensic Science Centre. She is currently sales manager for a laser company. Rachel is a keen walker.....Kilimanjaro.....Morocco's Atlas Mountains.....Heyson Trail.....TassieOverland Track, and loves to travel. Aims to visit Nepal and presumably will have a crack at Everest or part thereof.

Rachel has been appointed to the International Committee, has a classification of Technical Sales and will be mentored by Graham Beckett.

Rachel was warmly welcomed into the club.



Jerry, Rachel & Ken;
almost ready to smile

Club Assembly

Chairman Ken asked each Director to report briefly:

Membership – Jerry Casburn

- Club has inducted 8 new members
- Membership drive on March 4-6 at Unley Shopping Centre needs more female volunteers
- Pride of Workmanship has been ticked by the Unley Road Association....would like to continue next year
- There will be a RCU membership table at the *Evening Under the Stars* on February 18

International – Graham Beckett

- *Days for Girls* project training and logistics have been examined.....there will be a monthly segment at Living Choice
- Charlie Shahin has promised to put \$400-\$500K into a RAWCS project to provide ICU facilities for Palistinian refugees in Lebanon which would be jointly managed by us and RC Beirut Cosmopolitan
- Trevor is soon to depart for our Peruvian project

Vocational – Heather Kilsby

- The search for SA Police Officer of the Year has begun and already 3 nominations received
- International exchange student TJ is a tad homesick in France

Treasurer – Pam Trimmer

- Current equity stands at \$167,694
- Thrift Shop sales are up 16% but profit is down due to improvements being made
- The Carols cost \$6,700 to provide, offset by earnings from the BBQ and Council grant. \$374.60 from the raffle and happy faces will be donated to Operation Cleft
- The club's debit card received a rogue debit on 2 February of \$500 Department and the Bank is pursuing this scam. There is a need for greater security.

Community – Wendy Andrews

- Committee currently examining the outfitting of a garage at Baptist Care *Crossroads* refuge
- \$1000 of support for school breakfasts in Ceduna through Food Bank
- \$400 to Red Cross for refugee skills program
- Thanks has been received for the Salvos raised garden, Catherine House upgrade and Carers Association hampers

Stephen Baker reported that the Thrift Shop had been broken into early last Thursday morning. All up costs for replacement of glass window, locks, safe, till float and minor jewelry is about \$1000. Club to look into changing the timer switch and insurance options available through Rotary.

The issues of lack of microphone and renovation of our website were debated.

The Committee Reports were received

Club members expressed a strong desire to see significant investment in worthwhile projects to put our extensive funds to better use, rather than lying idle. A motion requesting Board action was approved.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Valerie looked after her co-sergeant Bob Mills with the draw of the abominable squares. Happiness was Mavis delivering Picalilly pickles from England to Jerry, Richard Taylor's 100 year old mother surviving her birthday celebrations with Mavis, and Sheila having her cancelled Tiger flights to Bali replaced.....we need to ask what Sheila is doing in Bali!

The meeting closed at 8.03 pm.....better luck next week!

Rotary News

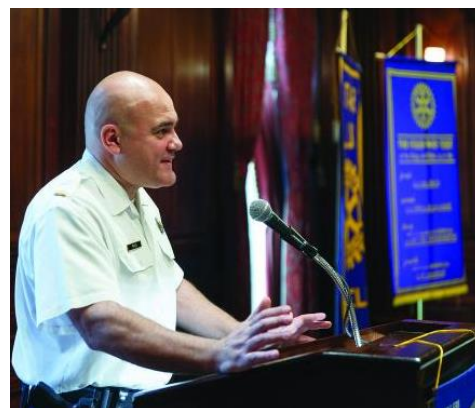
Police officer takes the lessons of the Rotary peace program to the streets of Philadelphia

By Bryan Smith

The tension is palpable as we cruise through a neighborhood of dilapidated row houses in one of the toughest parts of Philadelphia. Philadelphia has not had the kind of headline-grabbing police-involved shootings that St. Louis, Chicago, and New York have had. However, it ranks in the top 20 in murder and crime rates among big cities in the United States.

In 2010, Lt D F Pace applied for the intensive Rotary Peace Scholarship three-month professional certificate program in Thailand following a suggestion from the Philadelphia Rotary Club, the 19th-oldest Rotary club in the world, concerned about unease developing between police and the community. In D.F. Pace, the club had found the perfect candidate: "He was an up-and-coming young lieutenant with patrol experience on the streets, but he's also a lawyer and thus well-versed in the legal aspects of proper policing. He reflected the Commissioner's vision of creating a new generation of police officers with enhanced professionalism, dramatically improved judgment, and dedication to being instruments of peace."

Friction, racial and otherwise, between police and the people they protect is not new. But the killings of unarmed black men by police in recent years, captured on camera phones and broadcast on the nightly news, have indeed touched a match to the kindling that Pace and others saw piling higher and higher. Each year, Rotary selects up to 100 individuals from around the world to receive fully funded academic fellowships at a peace center. From the start, Pace knew his studies in Thailand would be rigorous. The program, he explains, is separated into theory, application, and then what you, as a graduate, plan to do with what you learn. Peace fellows are required to have a specific objective and are expected to build on that theme throughout the three months. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship and field-study expenses. In just over a decade, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,000 fellows for careers in peacebuilding. Many of them go on to serve as leaders in



Lt. D.F. Pace speaks to the Rotary Club of Philadelphia

national governments, nongovernmental organizations, the military, and international organizations like the United Nations and World Bank.

Pace incorporates what he learned in Thailand into the seminars he teaches for other officers, including a class called Fair and Impartial Policing. He also helps organize community town halls and speaks to Rotary clubs. Perhaps most important, other ranking officers in Philadelphia – sergeants, lieutenants, and captains – who have taken Pace's class are disseminating the information to their recruits. One of the lessons Pace imparts comes directly from his time as a peace fellow. **"Conflict itself is neither good nor bad. It's neutral,"** he tells his classes. **"The good or bad comes from how we manage conflict."** Lt. D.F. Pace's participation in Rotary's peace fellowship program recently helped him win a promotion to captain.

On our ride through the city, opportunities for conflict seem to be on every corner. At one intersection, a young man glares at Pace as the officer drives past. Pace catches his eye, nods his head, and gives a wave. The man's expression softens while a woman next to him, sitting in a wheelchair, smiles and says, "Have a good day, officer." The encounter crystallized one of the lessons of the peace fellowship, Pace says: Knee-jerk hostility will likely beget the same, while a simple friendly gesture is likely to disarm. "It's trying to find other ways to dialogue rather than force and suppression." "Ultimately, this is what it comes down to: one human being interacting with another. Is it a positive interaction? Does the police officer add value to the other person's life? If the answer is yes, then we're doing the right thing. If it isn't, then we need to figure out ways to improve that." That, he says, leads to another lesson: "One of the most powerful tools any person has is their ability to communicate – our ability to interact with people. How you talk to people can create a situation that fosters understanding and compromise or put them on the defensive.

"It is very difficult to dislike someone you know well or at least understand. Police officers need to seek out opportunities to try to understand." For him, the lesson was obvious: It's easy to vilify people based on snap judgments and stereotypes, but that destroys trust when trying to connect with the community you serve. Such nuanced views weren't easy to introduce to classes full of skeptical cops back home. Pace recognized this and sought to defuse any notion that he was there to preach at them. "One of the first things I do when I teach a class is just get real with people," he says. "We've had civilians come in and say things like, 'You've just got to breathe if you're in a tense situation. Just close your eyes for a minute and breathe.' Well, the last thing a police officer wants to do is close their eyes when they're confronted with a tense situation. When they hear something like that, the speaker has lost all credibility." Lt. D.F. Pace's classes focus on conflict resolution methods he learned through his Rotary Peace Fellowship. Using another technique he learned during his peace fellowship, Pace doesn't lecture his students not to be biased. Instead, he assures them that everyone, including him, carries some form of bias. The key is to recognize your own bias and keep it in check. Listening is the most important thing. A lot of people just need to air their grievances.

It's warm, and Pace's window is down. At each corner he offers, at the least, a wave and a nod before returning to department headquarters and another class, another chance to teach.

Upcoming Events

Sunday 26 February: District Leaders & Team Training, (Flinders Uni Science and Innovation Learning Centre)

16-21 March 2017: Terrific Trip to Tassie

Saturday 8 April: Presidents Elect and Nominees Dinner (Marion Sports and Community Club)

Sunday 9 April: Presidents Elect and Nominees Training (Flinders Uni Science and Innovation Learning Centre)

Sunday 28 May: District Assembly Office Bearers Training (Unity College, Murray Bridge)

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
14 Feb	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Club Discussion Peace in our Time	Patsy & Valerie	MSmall	Another star	NWhite
21 Feb	Hawthorn Bowling Club 86A Monmouth Rd Hawthorn	6 for 6.30pm	The World Series Lawn Bowling Competition against RC Mitcham Please practice hard!!!!!!!	SBaker	n/a	n/a	GBeckett

Usual Meeting Venue: Damien on Fisher, 123 Fisher Street, Fullarton SA 5063

Apologies to: Stephen Baker as early as possible by e-mail sandbbaker@internode.on.net or 0403 687 015

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Venue Set-up/Bar Enquiries to: Bulletin Editor – Stephen Baker 8377 7156 or M 0403 687 015

Attendance Desk Enquiries to: Wendy Andrews by e-mail to wendyjoyandrews@gmail.com or in an emergency on 8377 7830

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	4 Mar 17	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Robyn Carnachan
2	11 Feb 17	Greg McLeod & Pam Trimmer	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	18 Feb 17	Nathan White & Vera Holt	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	25 Feb 17	Bob Laws & Stephen Baker	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & David Pisoni	Jerry Casburn, Lachlan Reid, Reno Elms

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

ALL the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque shifts are from 8am to 5pm (But no longer last Monday in month)

Next Date: Monday 20 February Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

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Some Australian signs that Jerry has collected in his travels. Tell him which one you like the best!



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