

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 4057 – 27 June 2017 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

## Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

#### District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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President Heather Kilsby

## **Our Last Meeting**

Venue:	Kooyonga Golf Club		
Event:	Annual Club Changeover		
Chairman:	Greg McLeod		
Visiting Rotarians:	DGE Kim Harvey, DGN Tim and Bronwyn Klar, Briony Casburn		
Other Guests:	David Pisoni MP, Deputy Mayor Don Palmer, Jim Newall, Joan Reed, Catherine Pettinger, Stephen Westgarth, Beverley Baker, Jim Bowery, Ken & Pauline Daly, Graham Ey, Rose Howland, Mila Erklens, Chad Leader, Vivienne Liddle, Sue Middleton, Maria Mills, Genese Mullins, Margaret Payne, Grant Pearson, Barbara Russell, Tatiana Shandala, Richard Taylor, Tom & Sharon Tirrell		
Apologies:	DG Bob Cooper, Mayor Lachlan Clyne, Lindsay England, Geoff Hill, Janet Singh, Marlene Small, Nathan White		
Attendance:	26 Members and 30 Guests		

Soon after 7pm, Chairman Greg McLeod opened proceedings (83<sup>rd</sup> year of the Club) and Pam Trimmer proposed toasts to the people of Australia, Rotary International and partners of Rotarians. President Ken Haines welcomed our guests.

#### Retiring President Ken's Report

Ken promised to keep his address short, and delivered accordingly. There were a number of highlights of the year plus a disappointment. Membership is up but support for the homeless did not gather momentum. New domestic projects relating to the feeding of schoolchildren has been well received. On the international front, we are delivering the villages support project in Peru, Days for Girls, assembling of prosthetic hands and have committed to continue with our India project. Fundraising has been proceeding well with our marvelous Thrift Shop, Bunnings BBQ, Detmold and Mitre10. Socially we had had an enjoyable year with fellowship, fashion, the Tasmanian trip and Udder Delights last Sunday. Ken thanked members for their support.

It has been a good good year....thank you Ken. Incoming President Heather presented Ken with a clothing voucher in appreciation.



# President Heather Kilsby's Induction

Ken inducted Heather! Heather played a video from incoming RI President Ian Riseley (Rotary Club of Sandringham) whose theme for 2017-18 is *Rotary Making a Difference*, not quite as interesting as some previous themes like 'Sow the seeds of love'. Two areas being targeted under his stewardship will be tree planting and trachoma. We must be united in our common goals and teamwork.

Heather intends that the club pursue alleviation of domestic violence during her year. To this end, she will be engaging with Catherine House and Louise Place. Expressions of interest are being received for local projects, and Pride of Workmanship may be expanded to other parts of Unley. Overseas, Peru and India will remain the focus of attention. Calperum will be a beneficiary of the Riseley initiative. Her aim is to run a vibrant, inclusive, industrious and fun filled club with effective action locally and overseas. Heather introduced her Board. Vice chairs have been appointed to enable smooth transition.

#### The Board for 2017-2018

President	Heather Kilsby
Vice President and IPP	Ken Haines
President Elect	Trevor McGuirk
Secretary	Greg McLeod
Treasurer	Pam Trimmer
Community Service Director	Wendy Andrews
International Service Director	Graham Beckett
Vocational & Youth Director	Stephen Baker
Membership Director	Jerry Casburn



## Guest Speaker - Grant Pearson: Domestic Violence

President Heather introduced Grant who is the Regional Manager of Relationship Australia. He has spent 14 years with RA and 30 years overall as a family therapist. His qualifications include MBA, Graduate Diploma in Counselling, Jazz Degree and self-styled magician. He is a White Ribbon ambassador.

RA is funded by State and Federal Governments. Often the role is not to keep dysfunctional families together but to guide couples through separation and child sharing in a way which reduces the risk of violent confrontation. Most of his clients come from individuals and couples where serious damage has already occurred. From his own childhood with a violent father and through his counselling, he has seen the fright and fear being experienced.

Domestic violence is deadly and insidious. Last year over 70 women were murdered in domestic disputes by their partners. Many more have been



Grant being rewarded by Heather

permanently injured and scarred. Violence is the major cause of disability and death among 15-45yo women. Of 20,000 women admitted to hospital, one third resulted from DV mostly instigated by their partner. It is a major cause of homelessness for women and their children. DV can take a number of physical, sexual, and psychological forms and invariably harms the children.

A key weapon in the armoury of RA is to make women's safety a male issue and to get as many men as possible to take a leadership role. They encourage men to admit to violence they have committed and to talk with their mates. Interventions need to be careful to avoid inflaming volatile situations. Police are called in to talk with perpetrators. Whether reconciliation is possible is a woman's choice. White Ribbon material is provided to help. White Ribbon was actually started by men in Canada.

Grant was thanked by acclamation.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

## Rogues Gallery













#### ...and the best for last



## **Rotary News**

## 650 students broaden horizons through Rotary exchange program

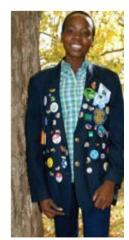


Growing up in a village near the shores of Lake Victoria in Tanzania, Wanzita Ally never seriously thought about getting on a plane and flying to America. Her father had died when she was young, and she lived with her mother and grandmother, who were poor farmers.

The family depended on what they grew in their fields to eat. But Wanzita loved school, and she did well. She was chosen as a class leader by her fellow students, and her teachers noted that she showed "good effort, behavior, and attendance," despite going long periods without eating. She was determined not to let her family's situation interfere with her education.

Two decades earlier, in the early 1990s, a Peace Corps volunteer named Brian Singer was teaching mathematics at a high school near Wanzita's village when he got to know four siblings whose parents had died. After Singer returned home to Minnesota, he talked to family and friends about helping those students with their school fees. The response was so great that he sponsored additional kids, and **Project Zawadi** was born. To date, the nonprofit has sponsored some 650 students.

A few years ago, Project Zawadi began expanding its mission to help schools increase their educational reach, building classrooms and housing for teachers; installing toilets and computer labs; and setting up a vocational training center. One of the projects provided beds for a dormitory



Wanzita Ally

at Makongoro Secondary School, where Wanzita was a student. Wanzita herself received a school fee scholarship. Project Zawadi's local partner organization, Zinduka, contacted the nearby Rotary Club of Musoma (Zinduka's director, Max Madoro, later joined that club) to help with the Makongoro project. But the collaboration with Rotary didn't begin in earnest until Vicki Dilley, a Rotarian in Northfield, Minn., who is also a returned Peace Corps volunteer, came on board as director. Dilley is also deeply involved in the North Star Youth Exchange, which is run by districts 5950 and 5960 (Minnesota

and Wisconsin). One of the most active in the United States, it sends 60 to 68 students abroad each year and hosts students from other countries as well.

Last year, because of Dilley's connection, North Star decided to see about finding a student in Tanzania for a one-way exchange. Singer and Madoro looked through their files and decided that Wanzita had the qualities that would help her adapt in America, even though she had never been far from home. In her senior class photo, Wanzita Ally's jacket features a wide array of buttons and pins and a Rotary patch on the pocket.

This kind of collaboration between Rotarians and former Peace Corps volunteers is one reason the two organizations formalized their relationship in 2014. Both groups share goals of promoting better international understanding, enhancing global awareness, and empowering communities to create lasting improvements in education, economic development, health, and more. "It's a really natural collaboration," says Singer. "It connects concerned and caring people – Rotarians – with people who have a specific connection to a village or a group of people."

Dilley sees it the same way. "For my husband and me," she says, "it always felt like Rotary was an extension of what we wanted to do in the Peace Corps."

But Wanzita couldn't embark on her journey without a passport. To get one, she needed a birth certificate. In order to get a birth certificate, her mother needed a birth certificate. So, accompanied by Madoro, Wanzita and her mother flew to Dar es Salaam, where they spent several weeks obtaining the necessary papers and stamps for her journey across the world.



Project Zawadi set up a vocational training center and furnished a dormitory at Makongoro Secondary School

Wanzita has embraced her experience – although when she got to Minnesota in the fall of 2016, she couldn't see how anyone found their home, because to her, they all looked the same. "I couldn't believe how many cars there were, and the way the roads were built over each other, and the buildings – how nicely they were built."

But over time, the strange new things seemed less strange.

At her high school, where she spent her senior year, she joined the cross-country team and signed up for an ambitious load of classes, including child psychology, accounting, and biology.

"Now," she says, "I am used to everything - except cheese."

She has come to like American foods such as burgers, spaghetti, and, despite the cheese, pizza, but she still cooks ugali, a stiff maize porridge, from time to time. She sends photos and messages to her friends and family in Tanzania on her new smartphone. To see them, her mother goes to Wanzita's old school, where a teacher pulls up the photos of her daughter's life in America.

Where that life will lead next, Wanzita isn't sure. She wants to continue her schooling in Tanzania. She had thought about becoming a nurse, but now that she has been out in the world, she is imagining other paths.

"When I told Brian [Singer] I wanted to be a nurse," she says, "he asked me, 'Why not a doctor?' So maybe I will become a doctor!"

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Wednesday 26 July: Days for Girls Sewing Session 10am-1pm Damien on Fisher

**Our Upcoming Meetings** 

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
4 July	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Committees and Assembly Note: Members Only	Pres.Heather Kilsby	M Martin	TBA	A Mostaghim
11 July	Tomich Wines	6 for 6.30pm	Wine Making – Vocational Visit	T McGuirk	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	S Mostaghim
18 July	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	DG Visit – DG Bob Cooper	Pres.Heather Kilsby	D Middleton	TBA	R Mullins
25 July	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Christmas in July (Partners Night)	S Bone	R Mills	TBA	D Payne

Set-up &

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

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

## **Bunnings Mile End Barbeque**

ALL the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque shifts are from 8am to 5pm

**Next Date: Monday 17 July** 

Morning shift: 8.30am - 12.30pm | Afternoon shift: 12.30 - 5pm

# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	1 July 17	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Robyn Carnachan
2	8 July 17	Greg McLeod & Pam Trimmer	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	15 Jul 17	Nathan White & Vera Holt	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	22 Jul 17	Bob Laws & Stephen Baker	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29 Jul 17	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: Pam Trimmer (T) 8293 2612; (M) 0415 238 333; e-mail: <a href="mailto:pamela.trimmer@bigpond.com">pamela.trimmer@bigpond.com</a>

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#### Manpower

The male of the species has been much maligned (unfairly it must be said) about his limited contribution to housework and baby care. Below demonstrates the falsity of such claims and an indication of what loving innovation can achieve.











