

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3719 – 29 June 2010

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at "Tiffins on the Park",
176 Greenhill Road Parkside (Cnr George Street) at 6.30pm.
Fellowship at 6.00pm

Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3719
Date	29 June 2010
Venue	Adelaide Meridien Lodge, North Adelaide
Occasion	Changeover Dinner
Sergeant	N/A
Master of Ceremonies	David Middleton
Guests	DGN Roy Armstrong and Marilyn, Catherine Reed & John Pettinger, Natalie Allen & Ben Fleming, Robert Reed, Virginia Meredith, Kustas Tiivas, Rosie & Tom Player, Jill & Rick Staledon, Leena Kasurinen, Ann & Mark Zada, Sharon & Tom Tirrell, Mark Minuzzo, Jenny Casburn, Sue Middleton, Genese Mullins, Pauline Daly, Linda Sellers, Glenyss Steedman, Barbara Russell, Maria Mills, Farida Mackrell, Susan Westgarth, Muriel Wallace and Richard Taylor
Apologies	DG Malcolm Lindquist and Antoinette, David Pisoni MP, Mayor Richard Thorne, Colin & Sandra Schirmer, David & Margaret Payne, Geoff & Jill Hill, Jim & Anne Newall, Reno & Rosslyn Elms, Lucien & Christine Parent, Neesha Nandasena, Darrol & Marlene Foote, Pat Limbert, Joan Calder, Fiona Nettelbeck, Shirley Emmett, Ray & Fay Emmett, Vince Michielin and Geoff & Rose Howland
Make-Ups	David Payne
Anniversaries	Ken Daly (induction 29/6), David Middleton (anniversary 30/6), Geoff Hill (birthday 13/7)
Attendance	70%

President's Announcements

President Jerry recognised Rotary service by the following members, with the appropriate board being added to the dinner plaque of each member:

Norm Wallace – 30 years service, **Jim Newall** – 25 years service and **Alex Jonson** – 25 years service.

Formal Toasts

Leena Kasurinen – Invocation (in Finnish and English)

Glenys Ferguson - Loyal Toast

Natalie Bowen – Toast to Rotary International

DG-N Roy Armstrong – Response

Bob Mullins – Toast to the Partners of Rotarians

Maria Mills - Response

Presidential Changeover

The following is the text of outgoing President Jerry's farewell speech. The text of his President's Report can be found on the Club website.

"When I stood here two years ago I did not think that the time could pass so quickly, nor that I would serve for two years. I have to say it has been an honour to be chosen as President of this great club. Hopefully we did well this year and I will not have to keep on until I get it right. I do not intend to read my report, hopefully for those interested it will be on the website in the next few days. I would like to summarise what I think have been the key events and their result.

The danger with meetings like this is that they end up like the Oscars with lots of thankyou's. You will be pleased to know I am not going to thank my Mum and Dad but there are many I do need to thank. My Board for the past year **David Middleton** (Immediate Past President), **Joan Reed** (President Elect and Fund Raising), **Lindsay England** (Treasurer), **Mavis Martin** (Secretary & Club Service), **Janet Singh** and **John Peacham** (Membership). **Greg McLeod** joined the Board with the Service Project portfolio and **Sheila Evans** with the PR portfolio.

This year the club celebrated 75 years of service to the community. The club was chartered on April 17th 1935 as the second club in Adelaide and the third in South Australia, since that time it has undertaken many projects both locally and overseas and can be proud of its many achievements. This special anniversary was marked in two ways. The club, supporting the efforts of Unley Council, became involved and sponsored the renovation of the Orphanage grounds in Goodwood. Sponsorship was in both cash and kind with a \$10,000 donation to the costs and a number of working bees to assist in the planting of several thousand plants. It is expected that the park will be formally opened in September 2010 and that the signage will note the club's anniversary and its participation. The second event was a celebration dinner held at the Robin Hood Hotel at which the club was presented with a certificate from International President John Kenny which recognised the club's anniversary and its service to the community. **Bob Mills** gave a potted version of the club's history noting its many achievements.

We, as in the past, made our anniversary our Paul Harris night and this year I was proud to present fellowships to Immediate Past President **David Middleton**, **Chandra Sluggett** and **Glenyss Steedman** for their contributions to Rotary and this club in particular.

This year thanks to the generosity of **Joan Reed** the club was able to host a long term exchange student and **Leena** joined us in July last year. Tonight is her last meeting with the Rotary Club of Unley and she returns to Finland on Thursday. We all wish her a safe return and a bright and happy future. If she would come forward now I would like to present her with two banners one for her sponsoring club and the other for her to keep herself. Leena we have enjoyed having you here in Adelaide and hope that you take back many fond memories of your time here. Is there anything you would like to say to the club? Please stay in touch, the world is a small place with email and the internet.

The second major activity for the year was our hosting the Group Study Exchange team from D5470 Colorado. The team consisted of Jeff Wadley, Ashley Cantrell, Candice Walton, Laurel Prud'homme and Christina Gair, they spent four fabulous days with us visiting the Coorong, the SA Migration Museum, a Melbourne Cup lunch and a final farewell at the Revolving Restaurant in Glenelg as well as their vocational visits. My thanks to **Chandra Sluggett** for orchestrating their stay and arranging the programme, my thanks also to **David & Sue Middleton**, **Mavis Martin**, **Joan Reed** and the **Coopers** for hosting them in their homes.

My thanks also go to **Stephen Baker** and **Heather Kilsby** for managing an exciting programme of speakers, they really achieved some great evenings both in Tiffins and also externally. Fun parts of the year were the challenges to other clubs, we lost to Mitcham on the Bowls night and Hyde Park on the debate but the club managed to allow me to depart with head high following our narrow win at the Quiz night with Brownhill Creek.

My thanks go to **Reno Elms**, **Stephen Baker** and **Chandra Sluggett** for leading our service project teams of Community, Vocational and New Generations and International. They and their committees worked hard to achieve some major programmes. Carols at the Rotunda and the Police Officer of the Year, our jewels were run with passion and efficiency, an enjoyable event for the Citizens of Unley and the SA police respectively. Needless to say we can do nothing without funds and our major fundraiser is the Thrift shop and this year it has gone from strength to strength. My thanks again to **Bob Laws**, **Glenyss** and the Thrift Shop Committee, without you we would not be able to do things we do within the community at home and abroad.

My last and major thank you goes to my wife **Jennifer** she did do me in for the second year, but without her I could never have put the effort into Rotary that I have been able to. She is great support at home in our business and in Rotary.

My only disappointment has been the loss of members over the year, the Zadas, who I hope will consider joining us again when time permits and Andy Hill as well as the departure of Kevin Rogers and Martin Cooper in circumstances I regret. We did however gain one new member **David Mackrell** who is proving to be worth three of any others. Welcome David and Farida.

Finally you will recall that last year I introduced a new trophy, the Noble Prize, pronounced Nobel. The trophy is intended to recognise efforts made by a Rotarian above and beyond those normally expected from a member. This year I am pleased to be able to again make the award to a someone who never fails to step forward when something extra is needed. This gentleman always goes the extra mile. It is difficult to describe him without it becoming very obvious who I am speaking about. He has been a public figure of some notoriety, he has led the charge with the Vocational and New Generations committee, he has managed our programme for the past year and if that was not enough he has made sure that our meals at Tiffins have consistently improved. Rotarians and guests I would ask **Stephen Baker** to come forward and accept the trophy.

President's Induction

Every year Rotary seeks to change all of its office bearers and this breathes new life and new ideas into our organisation. To quote John F Kennedy:

"Change is the law of life, and those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."

I would now like to induct our President for the Rotary 2010-2011 year, **Joan Reed**.

Joan, the members of the Rotary Club of Unley have chosen to ask you to lead them as President for the 2010-2011 Rotary year. This decision was not taken lightly or expediently; it was taken because we honestly believe you are the best person for the job.

In doing so we entrust you with the leadership of the club, and we ask you to expend your best efforts in guiding us through the coming year. I would like to present you with your symbols of office — the President's collar and the President's pin. I congratulate you on your appointment and on behalf of all of those present wish you success in the year ahead."

Newly inducted President Joan congratulated IPP Jerry on 2 years well done and



PP Jerry Casburn with "Noble Prize" winner Stephen Baker



Newly inducted President Joan Reed

expressed her enthusiasm for the year ahead. She thanked her special guests who had come to witness her induction, in particular her brother who had travelled from rural Victoria and who will be hosting a meal at his home for District Conference attendees in October. Joan introduced her "team" for her presidential year. Joan reminded members that Exchange Student Leena returns to Finland on Thursday morning and that there will be an informal farewell function at her home on Wednesday evening from 6.30pm. Joan presented Leena with a small gift.

Joan proceeded to close her first meeting as President, mindful of the inherent trap in reciting this year's Rotary theme too quickly!



Unley Rotarians and guests at the Change Over Dinner

Rotary News

Klinginsmith asks Rotary clubs to get 'bigger, better, and bolder'

As the 2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada, drew to a close on 23 June, RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith outlined his plans for his term, which begins 1 July. Participants also got a preview of next year's big event in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, where the Host Organization Committee has planned fun for the whole family.

Klinginsmith will ask Rotarians to apply "cowboy logic" and make Rotary clubs "bigger, better, and bolder."

The fundamental principles of cowboy logic are taking pride in your work, talking less and saying more, doing what has to be done, and remembering that some things just aren't for sale, he explained during the closing plenary session.

"I believe the way for Rotary to remain viable and vibrant in the next century is to help our clubs to be bigger, better, and bolder," Klinginsmith said. "The clubs are the life and breath of Rotary. Therefore, it is clear to me that my job is to help the district governors to help the clubs. We can do it, and we will do it, if all of us follow the simple solution of cowboy logic."

Klinginsmith also listed improvements that he and the RI Board have already authorized, including revisions to the RI Strategic Plan to make it easier to implement and evaluate, a realignment of RI committees to fit the revised plan, the recruitment of 41 Rotary coordinators, and a commitment to finding new ways to attract younger members and enable them to serve as district governors.

Klinginsmith's Rotary journey started in New Orleans, where he boarded a ship to begin a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship at the University of Cape Town, South Africa, in 1961. After returning home, he and his wife, Judie, married and then honeymooned in the city. He said he is excited about the venue of the 2011 RI Convention because he will have traveled full circle in both his personal and Rotary life.

During the fourth plenary session, members of the 2011 Host Organization Committee shared some of the highlights planned for Rotarians, including a concert featuring a traditional New Orleans brass band, a gospel choir, New Orleans jazz performers, Cajun music, and the Mardi Gras Indians. A French Quarter dining experience and an evening at the Audubon Aquarium of the Americas will be other host-ticketed events.



RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith speaks at the 2010 RI Convention.

Banerjee elected RI president for 2011-12

Kalyan Banerjee, of the Rotary Club of Vapi, Gujarat, India, was elected president of Rotary International in 2011-12 by delegates during the fourth plenary session at the 2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada.

"I thank you from the depths of my heart for this incredible opportunity to serve the world's most outstanding service organization," said Banerjee, who stood beside his wife, Binota.

Banerjee told attendees about his first encounters with Rotary in India. "I loved the way the Rotarians seemed to enjoy meeting friends and enthusing about community service projects to benefit hundreds of people," he said. "I decided then that I must be a Rotarian as soon as I could make it."

As Rotary continues to grow and become more influential, it increases its capacity to effect change in India, Banerjee said. "As I have seen more and more Indians choose to become Rotarians, and I have seen what those Rotarians have achieved, it has become clear to me that India and Rotary International are part of a symbiotic relationship: Each is making the other stronger," he said, pointing to the PolioPlus program as a sign of Rotary's ongoing success in India and other polio-endemic countries.

"In a way, some parts of India still exemplify a developing country, and this gives me perhaps a different perspective on Rotary's international service," he said. "I have seen the impact that our simplest projects can have. I have seen firsthand our work in literacy, in health, in hunger, in providing safe water -- and I have seen the difference it makes to each village, each family, and each individual human life."

Banerjee encouraged all Rotarians to self-reflect and to serve generously.

"Through service, we are able to look within ourselves to find reserves of generosity, of grace, and of care and concern, and to seek a deeper meaning to our daily lives. We discover what it means to help a human being and, in so doing, become more fully human ourselves," Banerjee said.



Kalyan Banerjee speaks at the 2010 RI Convention after being elected President of Rotary International for 2011-12

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
06/07/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Gordon Armstrong – Messenger Press Editorial Manager	D Mackrell	R Mills	TBA	G Ferguson & G Hill
13/07/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Michael Cusack – "Anifex Animation"	D Mackrell	D Payne	TBA	G Hill & H Kilsby
20/07/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Dr Tony Lake – "Dental Forensics"	P O'Neil	J Peacham	TBA	H Kilsby & M Martin
27/07/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Shirley Telford – "Teaching in Mongolia"	W Andrews	J Plumb	TBA	M Martin & G McLeod

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Venue Set-up/Plaque Board Enquiries To: Bulletin Editor

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Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue	Enquiries
July	Sunday	25/07/10	OSSAA Luncheon	Glenelg Golf Club, 12 noon for 12.30pm, \$40 ea	Stephen Baker
October	Thu 7 - Sun 10	10/10/10	District Conference	Bendigo	Joan Reed

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: July 2010

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm (new time)	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm (new time)
1	03/07/10	Lindsay England & David Middleton	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	10/07/10	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & Wendy Andrews
3	17/07/10	Glenys Ferguson & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws
4	24/07/10	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	David Mackrell & Sheila Evans

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact:

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Remember our Rotary theme for the year:
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